



AUSTRALIAN MENTAL HEALTH INITIATIVE

ADDENDUM 1

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SECTION A – AMENDMENTS TO RFP DOCUMENT

Section 5 – Eligibility (page 5), dot point 3.

“Representation from across Australia (a minimum of three states and territories) and from different professional area backgrounds is strongly preferred.”

Has been amended to:

“Representation from across Australia (a minimum of three states and territories) and from different professional area backgrounds is strongly preferred. The representation may be in the delivery/implementation of the projects at a national level or in three or more states / territories, or in the location of the project team members.”

Section 9 – Knowledge Translation Strategy (page 7)

The following paragraph has been added below the current content of the RFA:

“It is important to note that ‘Knowledge Translation’ is not merely the dissemination of project information and findings. Knowledge translation is fundamentally about practice/behaviour change and ensuring that the project learnings are implemented by others. In particular, given Movember’s strategic goals for this project is to contribute to change at a population level, the knowledge translation strategy should address how new knowledge gained through the project can be applied at a population level. A Knowledge Translation Strategy will be required as part of the full application if organisations are invited to complete one.”

SECTION B – RESPONSES TO QUESTIONS

Ref. #	Area	Question	Response
1.	Eligibility	Is this funding only open to national bodies?	<p>Please see the amendment to section 5 outlined above.</p> <p>Strong preference that at least three states/territories are represented reflects our desire to make a difference at a population level, projects needs to be delivered/implemented across multiple states, but not necessarily in whole state.</p>



2.	Eligibility	Can we submit a project idea that covers males and females?	This funding is for men and boys, if females are included in project scope then additional funding sources need to be clearly identified.
3.	Eligibility	Given reaching men through their female partners, family members or colleagues is a proven strategy for influencing men's health behaviour would Movember funding cover these types of strategies?	Projects which involve/target women as key influencers of male mental health (and health behaviours) are within scope for this funding.
4.	Eligibility	Will funding be provided to co-morbidity/dual-diagnosis projects?	We have deliberately taken a very broad definition of mental health problems. We also have a strong emphasis on mental health and wellbeing (without any consideration of diagnosis or illness). This is reflected in goals and priority areas for funding.
5.	Eligibility	Do projects have to support both men and boys or will projects that support either men or boys be considered?	Projects don't have to target both men and boys. It's acceptable for a project to target a particular sub-group of men and boys in Australia. This needs to be clearly stated in your pre-proposal and application.
6.	Eligibility	Does the project/service need to be delivered in a minimum of 3 states or if the project is based in one state and there are collaborators / stakeholders from different states involved will this meet eligibility?	See amendment to section 5 as outlined above.
7.	Eligibility	Does the lead organisation need to be a research institution?	No. It's up to each applicant to pull together the best possible team to achieve the project goals.
8.	Eligibility	Will the funding only focus on research projects that produce new knowledge?	We do not wish to provide "top up" funding to existing projects. Expansion of projects to new areas or new states may be considered.
9.	Eligibility	Would a service delivery program with an evaluation component be considered?	Yes
10.	Eligibility	Can part of funding be used for workforce training in proposed innovative model?	Yes, if it will help to achieve the objectives of the funding.
11.	Eligibility	Does Movember have a preference as to whether the lead agency should be a NFP/Non-commercial entity rather than a for profit/commercial entity?	No
12.	Eligibility	Would the panel consider a project that targets specific demographic such as boys and men that are athletes, paternal perinatal depression, indigenous men, or men in certain age groups, etc etc.	Yes, as long as there is alignment with our strategic goals, the funding priority areas and the objectives outlined in the RFA documentation.



13.	Eligibility	What is the age bracket for "boys".	We do not have a defined age for this.
14.	Evaluation	How much focus (and weighting) will there be on the methodological rigour of the research component of each proposal?	<p>Please refer to the evaluation criteria (Section 12, page 9) of the RFA document.</p> <p>We would like to receive proposals with a rigorous, evidence-informed methodology, regardless of the type of proposal, ie. Research, evaluation, project implementation, etc. If invited to submit an application in the next round, it will need to include a detailed evaluation plan.</p>
15.	Evaluation	Can you give any details about membership of assessor panel?	<p>Refer to the review process (Section 11, page 8) of the RFA documentation:</p> <p>"A peer review panel (with national and international expertise, including people with direct experienced of mental health problems) will be convened to evaluate the project applications. The panel will be created specifically for this funding opportunity. Panel members will be selected based on their breadth of knowledge and expertise."</p>
16.	Evaluation	How will team members CVs be assessed in the pre-proposal – can you provide any format or content recommendations?	Please refer to the EOI document and ensure that information pertaining to the team addresses the evaluation criteria.
17.	Funding	Are you looking to fund a small number of large (multi component) grants or a larger number of smaller scale projects?	<p>Refer to the RFA Section 3, page 3</p> <p>We are looking to fund a small number of large projects.</p> <p>The minimum value of each project will be \$500,000 per year, the maximum \$1 million per year.</p>
18.	Funding	Is it realistic to apply for \$1 million per each three years or should we reduce this amount as it is our first application with you?	Noting that a budget IS NOT required in the pre-proposal, organisations / institutions should apply for the amount of funding required to achieve the project's aims and objectives (within the funding constraints outlined in the RFA documentation). It doesn't matter whether you've applied for funding from us in the past.
19.	Funding	Do we fund university overhead costs?	No. However, we will be applying to be listed on the Australian Competitive Grants Register (through Dept of Industry, Innovation, etc). If we are successful then successful applicants (in our process) will be able to access some funds to cover infrastructure costs. There is, of course, no guarantee that our application will be successful.
20.	General	Can you provide details of projects that have already been funded?	Please refer to Section 8 (page 8) of the RFP for link to Movember's report cards. Select Canada as the country for the most recent projects funded.



21.	General	Why did you announce this funding opportunity with submissions over the Christmas holiday period?	Our timing is largely determined by when the money is raised (ie. In the month of November).
22.	General	Is it possible to have a project that addresses more than one priority area?	Yes, projects may address more than one of the priority areas (Section 3, page 3)
23.	General	Are organisations able to submit more than one submission?	Yes.
24.	IP	Who owns the IP	The recipient of funds will retain ownership of IP. Having said that, we have a strong view about knowledge produced through our funding being shared in the public domain (this funding isn't designed to help organisations produce resources/products that is then sold to men and boys once the project is over).
25.	IP	Are there any Intellectual Property conditions imposed if pre-existing resources are used will IP be retained.	If existing IP is used, ownership of it will remain with the recipient of funds.
26.	Process	What's the purpose of the 2-step process?	Essentially this is to ensure we are not to wasting valuable – yours and ours. We have identified the minimal amount of information required in the pre-proposals for us to make an assessment of strategic alignment, that the project idea is an important one, is achievable and the project team is outstanding. Those that pass this first step in the assessment process will be invited to submit a full application.
27.	Process	Is a budget required in the Pre-proposal?	No, a budget is not required in the first step of the application process.
28.	Process	Although pre-proposal should be no more than 7 pages, is it acceptable or recommended to attach supporting documents, bibliography, evaluation, endorsements and or references.	The application is limited to a maximum of 7 pages excluding tables of contents and team member's CV's. No other attachments are allowed.
29.	Process	Is there an expected commencement date once funding is announced in June 2014?	No, however we expect projects to commence as soon as possible after the release of funds.
30.	Process	How many applications will go through to the full application round?	We do not have a defined number. It will depend on the quality of the applications we receive.
31.	Process	Does the pre proposal require a dissemination plan?	No, however if the organisation/institution is taken though to the second step, a knowledge translation strategy will be required in the full application. See amendment above regarding the knowledge translation strategy.



32.	Project Team	Are international collaborators preferred and what type of international collaborations are accepted?	The lead agency/project lead needs to be Australian based. We are encouraging international collaborations. It's up to each applicant to pull together the best possible team to achieve the project goals.
33.	Project Team	We note that device companies cannot apply; we would like to partner with an international technology based company (amongst other partners), would this be acceptable?	Yes, the reference to device companies is part of a standard organisational policy of Movember's and refers to companies who develop medical devices.
34.	Project Team	Do we need to have the project team / collaborators all confirmed by the due date of the EOI? Is a letter of agreement in principle from partnering organisations sufficient OR do we need to have specific names?	If the organisation is invited to submit a full application, there may be changes to the individuals in the project team, however, applicants should consider the evaluation components of the EOI, and in particular dot point 3 (page 9): "The extent to which the proposal demonstrates an outstanding team where the whole team will be greater than the sum of its parts."
35.	Project Team	Can the project leader come from outside the lead agency.	Yes
36.	Project Team	How important are the CV's in the pre-proposal?	The CV's offer an opportunity to provide more details about the project team. Please refer to the evaluation criteria for details regarding the importance of the members of the team.
37.	Project Team	If we plan to hire new staff to implement the program in new areas, we will not have details of their credentials yet. Can we state the credentials they will require?	Yes, however please also refer to question 13 response.

SECTION C – ORGANISATIONS THAT WISH TO SHARE THEIR CONTACT INFORMATION

We received a request to share the contact information of organisations seeking collaborators. Those who agreed to release their information are detailed below. Please make contact directly.

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Grampians Medicare Local	Mary Shone	marys@grampiansML.com.au	(03) 5331 6303
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