

Funding and governance

The activities of NCIRS are divided between two operating divisions – Policy and Surveillance, and Clinical Research. The staff of these two divisions work independently of each other. The two divisions are funded separately as below.

Funding

Policy and Surveillance

Core funding for Policy and Surveillance research activities is provided by the Australian Government Department of Health and the NSW Ministry of Health. The Sydney Children's Hospitals Network and the University of Sydney provide infrastructure support.

Additional funding for specific activities in this division is occasionally obtained from various funding bodies such as the National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC). These bodies have no input into NCIRS publications or to our editorial policies.

The Policy and Surveillance sections of NCIRS do not accept any funding from pharmaceutical companies or other for-profit industry sources. NCIRS has a policy governing the interactions of staff members with the pharmaceutical industry.

Clinical research

The Clinical Research group within NCIRS undertakes a mix of investigator-driven and industry-sponsored research. Investigator-initiated research includes both competitive grant-funded studies and studies supported by vaccine manufacturers.

Governance

NCIRS operations and research activities are overseen by an Advisory Board and Scientific Advisory Committee.

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