



Jamieson Trauma Institute

Cliff Pollard Award proudly supported by the RBWH Foundation.

Guidelines

Based on *AusHSI Implementation Grant Funding Policy V3*

Overview, key priorities and strategic vision

Associate Professor Cliff Pollard AM is a former chair of the Queensland State-Wide Trauma Network, Director of the Queensland Trauma Registry and Director of Trauma Service at the Royal Brisbane and Women's Hospital (RBWH)

Associate Professor Pollard's vision included the establishment of Jamieson Trauma Institute (JTI) to advance trauma research that directly improves patient care. He remains an ambassador of JTI.

Projects should contribute to at least one of the following areas of focus for JTI and must already be implemented or in the early phases of implementation in the healthcare setting. This funding serves as recognition of your work and is intended to support the ongoing dissemination of your project outcomes, participation in educational events, or further training to advance your career and extend the impact of your work.

The Award will recognise:

- (1) a project that has demonstrated improvement in the management of trauma patients
- (2) A project which shows improvement to trauma care within Queensland post implementation.
- (3) A project that advances the opportunities, impact, and benefits of trauma care in rural and regional Queensland.

The goals and themes of JTI provide additional context for the award and can be found [here](#).

Award amount and award period

There is a maximum of one award with budgets up to \$5,000.

The award funds can only be used to pursue the research and/or project activities described in the award application. Project funds may be used for:

- Reimbursement of direct -project expenses that may include equipment, and software.
- Financial support towards the next phase of the project (if applicable).
- Conference attendance fees (including registration, airfares, accommodation).
- Educational purposes, including travel for education purposes.

Requirements for expenditure of funds:

- Project funds must not be used for facility fees and administrative costs (overheads), including university levies and indirect costs associated with administrative and facility support.
- This cash prize is accepted in accordance with MNHHS Gifts and Benefits Procedure 002063.
- This cash prize is intended to support activities such as advancing a research project, pursuing professional development relevant to the recipient's current role attending conferences, education, training, or purchase of educational materials.

Eligibility criteria

Activities in the award application must meet the award scheme objectives, key priorities, and strategic vision.

- The successful candidate must provide evidence of implementation. **Applications are expected to highlight the value that this project has added to the healthcare setting.**
- All health care professionals are welcome to apply.
- This award is self-nomination based.
- A project that actively engages/plans to engage consumers will be viewed favourably.
- Assessment criteria:
 - Project impact, including likelihood of delivering a measurable and targeted benefit (40% weighting)
 - Project methodology (20% weighting)
 - Capacity, capability, and resources to deliver the project (20% weighting)
 - Overall value to advancing issues of importance to JTI and risk of the project (20% weighting)

Applications and key dates

Applications should be submitted to [Jamieson Trauma Institute@health.qld.gov.au](mailto:Jamieson_Trauma_Institute@health.qld.gov.au). A copy of the application form has been made available for reference.

All applicants will receive an email confirming receipt of the application within 3 business days. If you do not receive this email, please contact us on the details below.

Key dates

7 October 2025	Applications open
17 November 2025	Applications close
19 November 2025 – 19 December 2025	Application Review Period
5 February 2026	Feedback due to all applicants
5 March 2026	Announcement of successful applicant

Detailed protocols for the Cliff Pollard Award

General information

- The Cliff Pollard Award is open to all HHS's in Queensland.
- Maximum funding awarded for these grants is \$5,000 (excluding GST).
- Applicants will **not** be allowed to submit multiple versions of the same project within the same funding round. Applicants will be allowed to submit multiple applications if they represent distinctly different proposals.
- Upon notification of outcomes the successful applicant will be sent letters of funding. These are not negotiable, and a signed copy must be returned to JTI within 7 business days, or the offer award may lapse.
- The awarded funds are to be used as per approved application budget and must be disbursed to winner by 1 May 2026.
- A one-page report on the outcomes of the project, including details of funds expenditure and key outcomes will be provided to the Director of Research RBWH, and the Director of JTI:
 - i. at the time of any further application for research funds, or
 - ii. at project completion, whichever is sooner.

- The awarded funds must be spent within 12 months and remittance for expenditure received by 30 June of the following financial year. If any funds have not been spent in accordance with the terms and conditions of the award (Appendix), they must be repaid to Jamieson Trauma Institute (Metro North Hospital & Health Service).
- Appropriate recognition for the assistance of JTI must be included in all publications/presentations resulting from work undertaken during the period of the award. This includes use of JTI logo, where appropriate.
- A copy of all publications and presentations arising from the project should be provided to JTI.
- A short bio from the applicant/s will also need to be submitted.

Assessment process

- Applications will be initially screened by JTI for those that are deemed invalid by not addressing the criteria. An example of an invalid entry might be one that does not list collaborators or has shown how their project will be implemented. Applicants of invalid applications will be sent notification by email that their application has been rejected as invalid, together with the reason.
- All valid applications will be allocated and distributed by the Secretariat to members of the independent review panel (considering conflicts of interest identified). Every application will also be provided to the panel Consumer Representative.
- An independent award review panel will review all applications and score them against the selection criteria, according to the percentages shown above. Members of the panel will be drawn from partner institutions, an independent local and/or independent interstate university and may be supplemented with an independent medical or health research institute. The Consumer Representative will be asked to provide comments on any relevant part of the application with a particular focus on the approach and methods in terms of respecting the consumer voice and input as well as the potential benefits for consumers and patients.
- Given the involvement of partner institutions it is important that potential conflicts are openly declared and managed to ensure transparency and accountability. The Chair of the panel will not be eligible to be part of a funding application, will oversee the award review process to ensure fairness and will be responsible for providing feedback on request to all unsuccessful applicants.
- Applications will be ranked according to their percentage average score across ratings following independent and detailed review by two panel members. If a unanimous decision cannot be reached after panel discussion regarding the ranking, the majority decision will be taken.
- A brief summary (including the ranking) of each application categorised “accepted” by the award review panel will be prepared and submitted to the JTI Research Advisory Committee for final approval.

Further information

Those interested in applying are welcome to discuss their application in advance with the Jamieson Trauma Institute.

Contact:

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Terms and conditions

In submitting this award application, we the Investigators agree that should this research project be funded by JTI we will abide by the following terms and conditions in conducting the research:

1. We certify that all the information given in this application is correct, and we will accept the decision of the panel members as final.
2. Upon an offer of funding from JTI/RBWH, the recipient's administering organisation will have 7 business days to return a signed letter of funding or the offer of award may be forfeited.
3. The letter of the awarded funds is not negotiable, and outlines all conditions of the award, including provisions for the protection and ownership of Intellectual Property and commercialisation.
4. The awarded funds will be utilised as described in the proposal submitted for review, incorporating reasonable feedback from JTI, unless JTI/RBWH is advised otherwise in advance by writing, and approves the changes. Any article, or journal paper, funded by the Award must acknowledge this in writing.
5. If the funding is for a research project, it will be contingent on all ethics and site-specific governance approvals being obtained.
6. If the awarded funds are used for a research project the work must be carried out in a manner that complies with all relevant legislation governing research in Australia, including but not limited to: National Health and Medical Research Council Act 1992, National Statement on Ethical Conduct in Human Research (2007), Australian Code for the Responsible Conduct of Research (2007), Note for Guidance on Good Clinical Practice (CPMP/ICH/135/95), Privacy Act 1988, Archives Act 1983, Public Health Act 2005, Transplantation and Anatomy Act 1979.
7. The host institution will own any equipment purchased with award monies. The Recipient will be fully responsible for and bear all risks and costs relating to the use or disposal of the equipment both during the project and subsequent to the project's completion. If the equipment is sold prior to the end of the research project the Recipient must notify JTI/RBWH who may require a proportion of the funds be returned.
8. The awarded funds must be utilised by 1 May 2027.
9. Upon completion of the awarded funds, the recipient shall provide a written report and/or presentation to JTI, regarding the conduct of the project, and the results and findings.
10. A brief summary of the project, including results, will be published on the JTI website.
11. JTI may request that the Recipient present project results at a conference or forum, the Recipient shall make all reasonable endeavours to honour these requests.