

# RESEARCH STRATEGY 2018 - 2023



# OUR VISION

The leading organisation dedicated to reducing the incidence of cancer and ensuring the best cancer care for everyone in New Zealand.

# OUR MISSION

To improve community wellbeing by reducing the incidence and impact of cancer.

# OUR GOALS

Please note, our goals are not listed in priority order.

## GOAL 1

High quality and high impact research is funded through an **open and transparent** funding process.

## GOAL 2

Cancer Society-funded research projects focus on the **priorities** of the Society.

## GOAL 3

Additional funding is **leveraged** into cancer research in New Zealand.

## GOAL 4

**National Awareness** of the Cancer Society's research programme is increased.

## GOAL 5

Cancer Society-funded research improves **equitable cancer outcomes** across the cancer continuum for all New Zealanders.

## GOAL 6

Commitment to the **Treaty of Waitangi** is evident throughout the research funding process.





# OUR APPROACH

- GOAL 1** High quality and high impact research is funded through an **open and transparent** funding process.
- Ensure independent expert review of all Cancer Society research proposals.
  - Assess all Cancer Society research grant applications in a reliable and consistent way.
- GOAL 2** Cancer Society-funded research projects focus on the **priorities** of the Society.
- Review our research priorities on an annual basis.
  - Launch a new funding scheme for a competitive 5 year programme grant.
  - Develop an explicit funding scheme for post-doctoral fellowships.
  - Prioritise funding PhD scholarships in specialty areas, where grant opportunities are limited.
- GOAL 3** Additional funding is **leveraged** into cancer research in New Zealand.
- Seek to establish partnerships with other funding bodies and co-fund high quality cancer research.
- GOAL 4** **National Awareness** of the Cancer Society's research programme is increased.
- Communicate outputs of our research programme to key stakeholders, including the public.
  - Identify opportunities to further increase the profile of the Cancer Society's research programme.
- GOAL 5** Cancer Society-funded research improves **equitable cancer outcomes** across the cancer continuum for all New Zealanders.
- Encourage research applications with a focus on equitable outcomes (such as geography, ethnicity, socioeconomic status, gender).
  - Assess all research proposals on how they will contribute to equitable cancer outcomes.
- GOAL 6** Commitment to the **Treaty of Waitangi** is evident throughout the research funding process.
- Encourage Māori research proposals, as well as involvement of Māori in the design, conduct and dissemination of research (participation).
  - Ensure there is Māori perspective on the decision making panel (partnership).
  - Assess all proposals on how they will contribute to equitable cancer outcomes for Māori (Protection).