

# deeble institute

The logo graphic for Deeble Institute, consisting of a cluster of white, interconnected circular nodes forming a network-like structure, positioned to the right of the word 'deeble'.

Deeble Institute for Health Policy Research

## Application 2024

Health Policy Research Scholarships Program

Deeble Institute for Health Policy Research  
Australian Healthcare and Hospitals Association

## Scope

The Deeble Institute for Health Policy Research is offering six-week scholarships, to support outstanding PhD and clinical students and early career researchers, produce a Health Policy Issues Brief on an area of health services or health policy that has national significance.

## The Issues Brief

*Health Policy Issue Briefs* are easy to read, objective papers that look at a topical health policy issue, synthesise the research evidence and recommend a way forward. They are designed to help policymakers who need to quickly find out what evidence exists in a topic area, how compelling it is, and what the implications might be when using it to develop health policies.

Issues briefs produced during the scholarship will be on a topic of mutual interest to the scholar and to the Deeble Institute for Health Policy Research. The research undertaken to produce the issues brief may directly relate to your existing academic research, or you may propose a new area of research.

## Scholarship types

### Jeff Cheverton Memorial Scholarship

The Jeff Cheverton Memorial Scholarship has been established by the Australian Healthcare and Hospitals Association (AHHA), together with Brisbane North Primary Health Network and North Western Melbourne Primary Health Network, to honour the memory of Jeff Cheverton, who demonstrated excellence in health leadership until his untimely death in March 2017.

This scholarship supports scholars to specifically develop an issues brief on a topic relevant to:

- primary health
- mental health
- aged care
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health
- LGBTQI health

### Deeble Summer Research Scholarship

The Deeble Summer Research Scholarship program is an exceptional research opportunity for outstanding PhD candidates and early career researchers with a background in health service research. This scholarship is supported by HESTA and is designed to provide recipients with a unique opportunity to gain a better understanding of how to make academic research relevant to policymakers and practitioners.

## **Healthy Environment and Lives (HEAL) Network Scholarship**

The HEAL Scholarship has been established through sponsorship from the NHMRC Healthy Environment and Lives (HEAL) Network to assist to educate and train emerging research leaders in strategic health policy and advocacy in the area of health and climate.

This scholarship supports scholars as part of the vision of HEAL to catalyse research, knowledge exchange and translation into policy and practice that will bring measurable improvements to our health, the Australian health system, and the environment.

This scholarship supports scholars to specifically develop an issues brief on a topic relevant to the field of health and climate.

## **What we offer**

The purpose of the Summer Research Scholarship program is to provide scholars with the opportunity to work in a knowledge exchange organisation in order to gain a better understanding of how to make academic research relevant to policymakers and practitioners.

The Program will offer a range of benefits to Scholarship recipients including:

- The experience of working alongside staff at the peak national health body, the Australian Healthcare and Hospitals Association (AHHA).
- Support to establish connections with senior policymakers, health services providers and academics working in their field of research.
- Training in 'how to write for policymakers'.
- Mentoring and guidance to produce a Health Policy Issues Brief that engages a multi-knowledge audience in an important area of national health service or health policy significance.

Scholarships are generally taken up in the summer academic break following granting of the award; starting from January /February each year. However, this is negotiable. We are not able to provide any assistance (financial or otherwise) with travel or accommodation in relation to the Scholarship.

## Application

Applications must include the following:

- Scholarship application cover sheet (below)
- Research proposal (1,000-word limit) including:
  - an outline of the proposed research topic
  - anticipated outcomes of the proposed research
  - intended audience/s
  - references (max 15)
- A short summary of the policy implication of your work (250 words).
- Academic transcripts for undergraduate and postgraduate study (certified)
- Curriculum Vitae (2 page limit)
- Two academic referee reports (one must be from a direct supervisor)

**Please submit completed applications to the Executive Director (Knowledge Exchange), Adj AProf Rebecca Haddock, at [rhaddock@ahha.asn.au](mailto:rhaddock@ahha.asn.au).**

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**I am applying for a:**

- Jeff Cheverton Memorial Scholarship
- Deeble Summer Research Scholarship
- HEAL Scholarship
- I have read the Scholarship Program Summary and Frequently Asked Questions

**Title:** .....

**Name:** .....

**Mailing address:**

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**Phone number(s):** ..... (Daytime)

..... (Mobile)

**Email address:**

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**Academic qualifications held (include name of awarding institution and year):**

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**Are you currently undertaking studies:**  Yes  No

**If yes, what is your degree and field of study**

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**Name of institution and commencement date:**

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**How did you learn about the Summer Research Scholarship Program?**

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Sponsor Organisations



The Deeble Institute Scholarships Program would not be possible without the support and guidance of sponsor organisations including:

**Jeff Cheverton Memorial Scholarship**



**Deeble Summer Research Scholarship**



**Healthy Environments and Lives (HEAL) Scholarship**



The relationship between the Scholar and the sponsoring organisations will not be one of employer and employee and no employee benefits will arise for the Scholar.

Scholars are required to acknowledge the support of the AHHA, HESTA, the HEAL Network, Brisbane North PHN and North Western Melbourne PHN (as appropriate) in any subsequent publications or in other material resulting from the research.

## Further Information

For further information please contact:

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