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## The Susie Harris Travel Fellowship 2016 Call for Applications

The Susie Harris Travel Fellowship is awarded in memory of the late Susie Harris. The Fellowship is funded by the Susie Harris Memorial Fund and managed by MND Australia. It is intended to provide funds for attendance at a combination of overseas endeavours. These must include the International Symposium on ALS/MND in addition to visiting a laboratory, hospital or care centre for training in new techniques, acquisition of knowledge or participation in collaborative research valuable for motor neurone disease. The Fellowship aims to promote overseas activities that will enhance the quality of services, management or research for people living with motor neurone disease.

The Fellowship will be awarded to an individual. The Fellowship will not exceed the cost of attendance and up to \$15,000 may be awarded. The Fellowship comprises a certificate and payment. The value of the Fellowship will reflect the projected costs of travel, accommodation and conference registration for the Applicant.

### **Eligibility**

Any person with an interest in motor neurone disease who is not a member of an MND Association in Australia may apply. Part of the travel funds must be used to attend the 27th International Symposium on ALS/MND in Dublin, Ireland 7-9 December 2016. Applicants must have, or undertake to submit, an abstract for a paper or poster to be presented at the conference. Applicants must agree to write and present a formal report on their attendance at the approved overseas activities, with particular emphasis on the impact on people living with motor neurone disease.

### **Criteria for Selection**

Applicants are required to support their application with the following:

1. A statement outlining the proposed travel program(s), including dates, destinations and purpose of travel.
2. A summary of the expected benefits of the proposed travel program(s) and how it/they might impact on people living with MND.
3. A budget outline
4. A **two-page** CV including qualifications, positions, conference attendance and selected publications in last 5 years, if applicable
5. The copy of the relevant abstract submitted for presentation at the International Symposium on ALS/MND.

### **Report**

The successful Applicant will be required to present a written report of their travel program(s) outlining outcomes achieved and benefits obtained for MND to MND Australia and the Susie Harris Memorial Fund. This report may be published on the Susie Harris Memorial Fund website.

### **Acknowledgement**

The Susie Harris Memorial Fund must be identified as a funder in reports, presentations and publications arising from the application of grant funds.