



Research Criteria – HeartKids Australia

Research projects will if successful contribute to **at least one** of the following objectives:

- reducing mortality and/or morbidity from childhood heart disease (CHD)
- reducing the incidence of CHD
- developing preventative measures to reduce CHD
- improving early detection of CHD
- understanding the causes and disease process of CHD
- gaining a better understanding of the consequences of CHD and its treatment including neurological, cognitive or social impacts on children affected by CHD and how these issues may be addressed.
- Improves the quality of life and children affected by CHD

Research projects should demonstrate **each** of the following **attributes**:

- that they are feasible within the time and resources to be provided,
- that they specify milestones that are measureable and
- that they have clearly defined outcomes.

If shortlisted for funding applicants may be asked to provide HearKids Australia with their responses to the following **questions**:

1. What proportion of the CHD community will the research project affect?
2. How many current or future CHD patients will the project impact?
3. To what (if any) extent will the project reduce mortality?
4. What are the likely health benefits for children and teens with CHD?
5. How will the project have a positive impact on the lives of children and teens with CHD?