



### **Advancing Care for Prostate Cancer Patients: Research Grants 2009**

The Clinical Oncological Society of Australia (COSA) Urologic Oncology Group is delighted to collaborate with Sanofi Aventis and call for applications for the Advancing Care for Prostate Cancer Patients 2009 Research Grants.

**Aim of project:**

To improve the outcomes of prostate cancer patients by development of sustainable processes.

**Eligibility:**

- Financial member of COSA
- Nursing &/or allied health professional

**Key selection criteria:**

- Patient-based project with a research component
- Sound scientific approach and feasibility
- Description of key milestones, research governance process, mentorship where applicable
- Track record of the applicant and/or supervisor
- Budget
- Description of a business plan aiming to demonstrate how the position will move to become financially self-sustaining upon completion of the project

**The proposals should lead to:**

- Improvement in patient outcomes
- Cost savings for the centres involved
- Development of models that can be rolled out to other centres

**Application:**

- Research plan and feasibility addressing selection criteria (maximum 2 pages)
- Business plan (maximum 1 page)
- Track record (maximum 1 page)
- Budget. Applications will be considered for grants of value ranging from \$5000 to \$40,000

**Application process:**

- Applications must be submitted by COB 30 April 2009
- Applications will be judged by an independent review committee consisting of Chairs of Urologic Oncology Group and the Cancer Nurses Society of Australia, plus two additional members nominated from COSA Council
- Successful awards will be announced within 4 weeks of the closing date with funding to commence 1 June 2009
- Award recipients will present descriptions of their research projects at COSA ASM 2009 and final results at COSA ASM 2010
- Publications are expected as an outcome, including acknowledgement of the funding

Applications should be sent electronically to:

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