



# Prevention, Innovation & Technology Grants 2019

## Funding Submission Guide

The Office of Responsible Gambling leads the development of responsible gambling strategy and public policy advice to the NSW Government. The Office delivers a number of programs and initiatives, as part of a strategic approach that supports responsible gambling and prevents and minimises the risk of gambling related harm in the community.

This includes programs funded by the NSW Government's Responsible Gambling Fund—which plays a key role in advising the NSW Government on the allocation of funds for initiatives and programs that support responsible gambling and help reduce gambling related harm.





## Prevention, Innovation & Technology Grants 2019

In 2019, the Responsible Gambling Fund will provide funding to support innovative projects that prevent and reduce gambling harm in communities across NSW.

The Office recognises opportunities for innovation and advancement can be led by a broad range of organisations. Support will be prioritised for projects that advance the strategic goals of partnerships, education and awareness, support services and technology and innovation.

Support is offered for one-off projects that address or enable unique opportunities to be put forward in the areas of technology, prevention and harm minimisation. Proposals that leverage emerging technologies, address challenges or gaps will be prioritised.

The Office encourages proposals involving:

- collaborative partnerships, for instance between technology firms and industry or service providers
- projects undertaken by experts from a variety of disciplines to ensure that technology is leveraged to most effectively deliver responsible gambling education, services and outcomes.

## Types of funding

The Office encourages proposals involving the development of new ways of promoting responsible gambling and reducing gambling harm through the use of technology.

The Office is open to supporting a wide range of projects. A mix of large scale projects involving multi-year investments and small projects with short time-frames will be funded.

For example, projects could include:

- the development of products that can be used by consumers, for example apps or online tools that:
  - help consumers make informed choices
  - use geographic location to support problem gamblers—for example by using location services to pinpoint gambling help services, or
  - self-assessment tools to identify problem gambling behaviours and then provide an avenue for referral
- the use of immersive technology and virtual reality to
  - develop materials that can be used in schools to deliver education and awareness, or



- demonstrate responsible gambling practices
- projects that deliver gambling harm minimisation messaging in innovative ways—for example to a youth audience, or in the context of online sports betting
- development of online training content that aims to minimise harm. For example a suite of animations that explain how odds work and the chance of winning
- innovative application of ICT for health promotion in gambling harm minimisation—for example:
  - integration of responsible gambling messages into existing social media channels with a focus on emerging applications targeting selected audiences, or
  - integration of existing tools and triage systems in health and welfare settings to include or enhance gambling screening
- industry-led proposals to increase quality interactions between gambling venue staff members and customers in the domains of harm minimisation, referral to gambling help, and education and awareness.

## Submission Dates

The submission round

- **Opens—Tuesday 29 January 2019**
- **Closes—Tuesday 26 February 2019**

**Please note:** Larger grants that progress to stage two will be notified of requirements for additional information required to be provided by applicants in March 2019. See ‘How to Apply’ on page 4 for further details.

## Eligibility

To be considered for funding a proposal needs to:

- be submitted by an organisation with an ABN
- clearly set out the need or gap it will address, and how it will have outcomes for people throughout NSW or to a targeted region/community in NSW
- uses technology and/or innovation to address the strategic goal(s) of technology and innovation, education and awareness, support services or partnerships
- be for a project with a fixed timeline and not for recurring, infrastructure or capital expenditure, or for operational costs including permanent staffing.



## How to apply

All proposals are to be submitted via the [Office's grant portal](#). Applicants are able to apply for small grants (up to \$100,000) or larger grants (up to \$400,000) with details set out below.

### Small grants, up to \$100,000

Applicants will submit a summary and high-level proposal via the grant portal. Proposals will then be assessed and determined.

### Larger grants, \$101,000 to \$400,000

Applicants will participate in a two-stage application process.

Applicants will submit a summary and high-level proposal via the grant portal. Proposals will be assessed. Proposals that progress to stage two will receive written feedback and possible clarification questions. The Office may also request a follow up discussion. Applicants will then have the opportunity to submit a final and more detailed proposal. Larger grants will be notified of requirements for stage two in March 2019. Detailed proposals will then be assessed and determined.

## Funding limit

Two categories of funding will be available in this research grant round:

1. Small Grants: Up to \$100,000
2. Larger Grants: \$100,001 to \$400,000

For applications seeking \$200,000 and above, co-contributions are strongly encouraged, either direct or through a contribution in kind.

Applications above \$400,000 may also be considered. However applicants should note that to be competitive, these must be compelling proposals that represent value for money.

## Assessment criteria

All proposals will be considered against the following criteria. It is recommended proposals articulate how the criteria will be address by the project.

### Merit

The extent to which the proposal:

- addresses the strategic goal(s) of partnerships, education and awareness, support services and/or technology and innovation



- clearly identifies a *need* or *gap* and how the proposal will address this
- sets out the *benefit* of the project—the possible impact and who specifically would benefit
- offers a unique approach or an innovation in the delivery of harm minimisation or promotion and understanding of responsible gambling
- considers an analysis of what is already available and why the proposal provides a better way of meeting the need
- will result in future practical applications to benefit the people of NSW.

### Viability

The extent to which the proposal:

- has an achievable project scope, methodology, deliverables and timeline. Applicants will need to articulate both the *output* and *outcomes* of the project
- brings together a project team with the appropriate skills to ensure success
- will be managed by an organisation with a sound track record in delivering similar projects
- involves relevant partnerships to complement the project.

### Learnings

The extent to which the proposal:

- has an evidenced understanding of the current opportunity or issue the project intends to address
- incorporates evaluation to present a final report with analysis of project learnings
- demonstrates an understanding of and responsiveness to existing products and the current environment
- considers and addresses the potential practical application and implementation of the learnings.

### Budget

The extent to which the proposal:

- offers value for money and appropriate use of government funds
- includes direct or in-kind contributions from the applicant
- is based on realistic estimated costs.



## Timeline for funding decisions

It is anticipated that successful projects will be notified in the 2nd quarter of 2019.

## Funding conditions

If you are approved for funding you will be required to:

- sign a funding agreement
- publicise the funding from the Office of Responsible Gambling in relevant publications, media or other material

- acquit the grant by providing a report on the project within 6 weeks of the project being completed.

Applicants should note that, depending on the nature of the proposal, special funding conditions may be required such as co-branding and/or IP or appropriate licensing arrangements.

## Get in touch

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