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7 **Outstanding by International Standards**	The proposal *will lead to* research that: • has objectives that are **well-defined**, highly coherent, and strongly developed • has a **near flawless** design • is **without question**, **highly feasible** given that all the required expertise and research tools and techniques are present in the relevant research environment(s)	The proposal *will lead to* research that: • will result in a **highly significant** advance in knowledge in this field which addresses an issue of **great importance** to human health • **will** translate into fundamental outcomes in the science and/or practice of clinical medicine or public health, or fundamental changes in health policy • will **very likely** be the subject of invited plenary presentations at national and international meetings • will likely result in **highly influential** publications • demonstrates a collaboration and research plan that is **highly likely** to result in future research opportunities (e.g. competitive funding, supervision, translation, policy) --- • is **highly** innovative and introduces advances in concept(s) • will use **very advanced** approaches that will optimize outcomes	• The CIA demonstrates a **very strong** capability to lead the team in achieving the project aims • The applicant team overall has **exceptional** capability to execute the project and deliver outcomes The planned research contributes to the Wesfarmers Centre mission, for example by one or more of the following: i. is **expected** to develop students or early-career researchers ii. is led by an early- or mid-career researcher with demonstrated upward trajectory iii. involves external collaboration with individuals who bring **exceptional** expertise not otherwise available within the Centre and in a field of high strategic value iv. involves the development of a research platform of **high** value to the Centre beyond the immediate value to this project v. will build **strong** track record of the Centre in a subject area of **high** strategic value vi. includes **internationally renowned** scientists and/or clinicians whose partnership is **expected** to lead to significant new international collaborations for the Centre and/or the Institute • The applicant team demonstrates **excellent** contribution to the Centre	The planned research: • has been **conceived** and **driven** by members of the community • has been workshopped and **endorsed** by relevant clinical or policy stakeholders • has been **appraised** and is supported by research peers • has a **clearly** identified and involved consumer group • includes at least one consumer **directly** involved in the implementation of the study • has **clearly** articulated pathway for translation into policy or practice • has a **budget** for involvement activities

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6 **Excellent**	The proposal *will lead to* research that: • has objectives that are **well-defined**, highly coherent, and strongly developed • is **well** designed • is **highly feasible** given the experience, skills, and readiness of the team in the relevant research environment(s)	The proposal *will lead to* research that: • will result in a **significant** advance in knowledge in this field which addresses an issue of **significant importance** to human health • is **likely** to translate into fundamental outcomes in the science and/or practice of clinical medicine, public health, or provide fundamental changes in health policy • will **likely** be the subject of invited plenary presentations at national and international meetings • will likely result in **influential** publications • demonstrates a collaboration and research plan that is **likely** to result in future research opportunities --- • is **highly** innovative in approach • will use **advanced** approaches to enhance outcomes	• The CIA demonstrates a **strong capability** to lead the team in achieving the project aims • The applicant team overall has **outstanding** capability to execute the project and deliver outcomes The planned research contributes to the Wesfarmers Centre mission, for example by one or more of the following: i. is **likely** to develop students or early career researchers ii. is led by an early- or mid-career researcher with demonstrated upward trajectory iii. involves external collaboration with individuals who bring **strong** expertise not otherwise available within the Centre and in a field of high strategic value iv. involves the development of a research platform of value to the Centre beyond the immediate value to this project v. will build track record of the Centre in a subject area of **high** strategic value vi. includes **internationally regarded** scientists and/or clinicians whose partnership is **likely** to lead to significant new international collaborations for the Centre and/or the Institute • The applicant team demonstrates **very good** contribution to the Centre	The planned research: • is **highly** responsive to research priorities articulated by the community and/or stakeholders • has been workshopped and **supported** by members of the community • has been workshopped and **supported** by relevant clinical or policy stakeholders • has been **appraised** by research peers • has a **plan** for ongoing involvement with a consumer group • has an articulated **pathway** for translation into policy or practice • has a **budget** for involvement activities
5 **Very good**	The proposal *will lead to* research that: • is **very clear** in its scientific approach and is logical • raises a few **minor concerns** with respect to the study design is **feasible**, with all required techniques and tools either established or nearly established in the relevant research environment(s)	The proposal *will lead to* research that: • will **advance** knowledge in this field that addresses an issue of importance to human health • **may** translate into fundamental outcomes in the science and/or practice of clinical medicine, public health • **could** be the subject of invited plenary presentations at international and national meetings • is likely to result in some **very strong** publications • demonstrates a collaboration and research plan that **may** result in future research opportunities --- • **is** innovative in approach will use **strong** approaches to good effect	• The CIA demonstrates a **good** capability to lead the team in achieving the project aims • The applicant team overall has **excellent** capability to execute the project and deliver outcomes The planned research contributes to the Wesfarmers Centre mission, for example by one or more of the following: i. is **likely** to develop students or early career researchers ii. involves external collaboration with individuals who bring expertise not otherwise available within the Centre iii. involves the development of a research platform of value to the Centre beyond the immediate value to this project iv. will build track record of the Centre in a subject area of strategic value v. includes **nationally regarded** scientists and/or clinicians whose partnership is **expected** to lead to significant new national collaborations for the Centre and/or the Institute • The applicant team demonstrates **good** contribution to the Centre	The planned research: • is **responsive** to research priorities articulated by the community and/or stakeholders • has been **workshopped** with members of the community • has been **workshopped** with relevant clinical or policy stakeholders • has been **appraised** by research peers • has a **plan** for ongoing involvement with a consumer group • has an articulated **pathway** for translation into policy or practice has a **budget** for involvement activities

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4 **Good**	The proposal *will lead to* research that: • has **clear** objectives • raises **several concerns** regarding the study design • is **generally feasible**, although some concerns exist about the on-going need to develop or obtain some research tools or techniques	The proposal *will lead to* research that: • addresses an issue of importance to human health • **could** translate into fundamental outcomes in the science and/or practice of clinical medicine, public health • is **unlikely** to be the subject of invited plenary presentations at international meetings • may result in some **good but not excellent** publications • demonstrates a collaboration and research plan that **might** result in future research opportunities --- • has **some** innovation or novelty • will use **standard** approaches	• The CIA demonstrates capability to lead the team in achieving the project aims • The applicant team overall has **very good** capability to execute the project and deliver outcomes The planned research contributes to the Wesfarmers Centre mission, for example by one or more of the following: i. **may** develop students or early career researchers ii. involves external collaboration with individuals who bring expertise available within the Centre iii. may develop a research platform of value to the Centre beyond the immediate value to this project iv. will build **some** track record of the Centre in a subject area of strategic value v. includes **nationally regarded** scientists and/or clinicians whose partnership is **likely** to lead to significant new national collaborations for the Centre and/or the Institute • The applicant team demonstrates contribution to the Centre	The planned research: • is **likely** to align with research priorities of value to community and/or stakeholders • has a **clear** plan for future involvement of members of the community • has a **clear** plan for future involvement of relevant clinical or policy stakeholders • has a **clear** plan for future involvement of research peers • has a **pathway** for translation into policy or practice • has a **budget** for involvement activities
3 **Marginal**	The proposal *will lead to* research that: • is **somewhat unclear** in its scientific approach and goals • raises **major concerns** regarding the study design • raises **several concerns** about the feasibility and thus the likelihood of successful completion	The proposal *will lead to* research that: • addresses an issue of **some importance** to human health • is **unlikely** to translate into fundamental outcomes in the science and/or practice of clinical medicine, public health • is **unlikely** to be the subject of invited plenary presentations at international meetings • **may** result in some publications • demonstrates a collaboration and research plan that **might** result in future research opportunities --- • **may** have some innovative and novel aspects, while others underpin or extend existing knowledge • will use **standard** approaches	• The CIA demonstrates **some** capability to lead the team in achieving the project aims • The applicant team overall has **good** capability to execute the project and deliver outcomes Contribution to the Centre's mission. The planned research: i. is **unlikely** to develop students or early career researchers ii. involves **some** external collaboration iii. **unlikely** to develop a research platform of value to the Centre beyond the immediate value to this project iv. will build **some** track record of the Centre in a subject area of **some** value v. includes internationally or nationally renowned scientists and/or clinicians but **fails to outline** how this will benefit the Centre and/or the Institute • The applicant team demonstrates **some** contribution to the Centre	The planned research: • **may** align with research priorities of some value to community and/or stakeholders • has **some** plan for future involvement of members of the community • has **some** plan for future involvement of relevant clinical or policy stakeholders • has **some** plan for future involvement of research peers • may develop a **pathway** for translation into policy or practice • may have a **budget** for involvement activities

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2 **Unsatisfactory**	The proposal *will lead to* research that: • is **unclear** in its scientific approach and goals • contains **several major** study design flaws • raises **several major concerns** about the feasibility and thus the likelihood of successful completion	The proposal *will lead to* research that: • addresses an issue of **some concern** to human health • provides a program of research which will **not significantly** advance current knowledge in the field • is **unlikely** to be the subject of invited plenary presentations at international meetings • will **not result** in any publications • does not demonstrate a collaboration and research plan that will result in future research opportunities --- • has **little** innovation or novelty • will use **standard** approaches	• The CIA demonstrates **some** capability to lead the team in achieving the project aims • The applicant team overall has **some** capability to execute the project and deliver outcomes Contribution to the Centre's mission. The planned research: i. does **little** to develop students or early career researchers ii. involves **minimal** external collaboration iii. does **little** to develop a research platform of value to the Centre iv. does **little** to build track record of the Centre v. has **failed** to include any internationally or nationally renowned scientists and/or clinicians in their proposal • The applicant team demonstrates **minimal** contribution to the Centre	The planned research: • is **unlikely** to align with research priorities of value to community and/or stakeholders • has **no** plan for future involvement of members of the community • has **no** plan for future involvement of relevant clinical or policy stakeholders • has **no** plan for future involvement of research peers • has no clear **pathway** for translation into policy or practice • does **not** have a budget for involvement activities
1 **Poor**	The proposal *will lead to* research that: • is **unclear** in its scientific approach and has **no** goals • contains **major** study design flaws • **does not** seem to be feasible and is **unlikely** to be successfully completed	The proposal *will lead to* research that: • does not address an issue of more than marginal concern to human health • will **not advance** current knowledge in the field • will **not translate** into fundamental outcomes in the science and/or practice of clinical medicine, public health • will **not result** in any publications • has no evidence of a collaboration and research plan that will result in future research opportunities --- • has **no** innovation or novelty • **follows** well-documented and studied concepts or well-used approaches	• The CIA **does not demonstrate** capability to lead the team in achieving the project aims • The applicant team overall **does not demonstrate** capability to execute the project and deliver outcomes Contribution to the Centre's mission. The planned research: i. does **not** develop students or early career researchers ii. involves **no** external collaboration iii. does **not** develop a research platform of value to the Centre iv. will **not** build track record of the Centre in an area of value • The applicant team **does not** demonstrate contribution to the Centre	The planned research: • does **not** align with community and/or stakeholder research priorities • has **no** plan for future involvement of members of the community • has **no** plan for future involvement of relevant clinical or policy stakeholders • has **no** plan for future involvement of research peers • has **no** clear pathway for translation into policy or practice • does **not** have a budget for involvement activities