

Research Strategy 2025-2029

Our Research Strategy is aligned with:

- Torres and Cape Hospital and Health Service Strategic Plan 2023-2027
- Torres and Cape Hospital and Health Service Health Equity Strategy 2025-2031
- Queensland Health HEALTHQ32 – Research Strategy 2032
- Tropical Australian Academic Health Centre (TAAHC), Research Strategy 2023-2026



Our vision

Supporting research that contributes to healthy lives, well lived in Torres and Cape communities



Our purpose

Enabling research culture which prioritises best-practice healthcare and community engagement, underpinned by supportive and robust governance

Governance

Encourage healthcare excellence and innovation in a well-governed research ecosystem

Strategies

- Deliver robust and transparent research governance
- Ensure research opportunities support Health Equity priority areas to improve health outcomes
- Increase access to research, closer to home, with research integrity, and clinical and cultural safety

KPIs

- 100% compliance with national research governance benchmarks
- Monitor and report on emerging, active, and complete research activity
- Enhance maturity against the National Clinical Trials Governance Framework

Capacity

Increase research capacity, capability, and opportunities for our workforce

Strategies

- Grow local capability, skills and expertise of emerging, early-career and experienced researchers
- Support research capacity with enabling systems, infrastructure and in-kind resources
- Connect and support researchers through rural and remote research networks and research communities

KPIs

- Facilitate access to research support and professional development opportunities, including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander research values and ethics
- Maintain delivery of research enabling systems and frameworks congruent with state and national initiatives
- Establish and support local research networks

Partnerships

Foster collaboration with health and academic partners and our consumers

Strategies

- Build collaborations with experienced and expert clinician researchers and academics
- Support opportunities for collaboration and research funding
- Facilitate strong engagement and partnerships with consumers and communities, ensuring that research reflects the health needs of consumers and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and communities

KPIs

- Optimise collaborations across agencies
- Foster partnerships with TAAHC, Lowitja Institute, other health service providers and academic institutes in Northern Australia
- Provide transparent research activity reporting on community collaboration and engagement, including with Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Traditional Owners, services, individuals, and communities



COURAGE



ACCOUNTABILITY



RESPECT



ENGAGE