

# Allied Health Research Achievements & Activity

*Summary & Infographics*

2024 Data

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# Foreword



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Allied Health professionals play a crucial role in delivering comprehensive, patient centred care across diverse settings. As healthcare faces increasing demands due to ageing populations, chronic disease, complexity of conditions and workforce challenges, innovation in allied health research is essential in improving outcomes, driving efficiency and optimising the quality of care.

Metro South Allied Health researchers continue to engage in research and grow activity with 86% of departments being research active. Our commitment to research excellence, stakeholder engagement and a focus on innovative solutions that directly benefit our patients is evident.

Consumer engagement is an important area within our research and it is pleasing to see that almost 50% of projects involved consumers. MSH Allied Health continue to mature in our approach to research. This year a number of teams brought in large grants, including MRFF funding and NHMRC grants. This is a fantastic achievement!

MSH commitment to translatable research has delivered improvements in patient outcomes, workforce capability and system efficiency. By fostering a culture of curiosity and continuous learning we have built a strong foundation for future endeavours. The 2025 research output data positions Metro South Allied Health well to continue research engagement and bring meaningful difference to the care we deliver.

# Background

## Purpose

The Metro South Allied Health *Research Achievements & Activity Reporting Initiative* was designed to centralise research activity reporting across Allied Health/health practitioner departments and/or teams in Metro South Hospital & Health Service (MSHHS) under the purview of the Executive Director of Allied Health, MSHHS. This reporting template was developed to provide the "one source of truth" for research activity reporting in Allied Health/health practitioner departments and/or teams. It also provides an opportunity to celebrate research achievements across the MSHHS district, and easily collate data to showcase Allied Health research impact to the MSHHS Executive.

The Metro South Allied Health *Research Achievements & Activity Reporting Initiative* was conceptualised in 2017 by the MSH Allied Health Research Leadership Committee, under the direction of the Executive Director of Allied Health, and in consultation with the MSH Allied Health directorate. The initiative is coordinated by the WDO-Research position within the Centre for Functioning and Health Research (CFAHR), in MSHHS.

## Scope & Intended Use

The *Research Achievements and Activity Reporting Initiative* is focused towards capturing activity and outputs related to current ethically approved research, conducted across Allied Health/health practitioner departments and/or teams in MSHHS within a given activity year. Departments/teams are encouraged to report any activity undertaken by staff members which meets the definition below. Reporting on quality improvement projects/other innovations is optional.

### What is defined as “research activity”?

Active involvement in an ethically-approved research project/initiative, or output arising from an ethically-approved research project/initiative (either leading or contributing) by a staff member within a MSHHS Allied Health/health practitioner department and/or team during the calendar year

AND/OR

If a MSHHS Allied Health/health practitioner department and/or team has provided substantial resources (e.g., time, access to patients or patient data, resources or governance) for an ethically-approved research project/initiative during the calendar year

The *Research Achievements & Activity Reporting Initiative* consists of three (3) sections:

#### (1) **Current Ethically Approved Research Projects**

Ethically approved (standard risk, low risk, or negligible/waived) research projects which departments or teams have led AND/OR contributed to in the calendar year. This section is intended to provide a brief snapshot of Allied Health research activity across the MSHHS district and is designed to foster increased awareness and potential for future collaboration on projects/ideas within and between disciplines and facilities.

#### (2) **Research Metrics**

Journal publications, conference presentations, successful research grants, research higher degree (RHD) study/support, awards for research and innovation or other relevant research achievements that departments have led AND/OR contributed to in a calendar year.

#### (3) **Research Capability Self-Assessment Tool**

The Allied Health Research Capability Self-Assessment Tool was released as part of the *Metro South Health Allied Health Workforce Research Capability & Development Strategy for 2021 – 2025*. It provides a simple template for departments/teams to align themselves with the three (3) overarching goals, and six (6) objectives of the Research Capability and Development strategy, and to undertake a self-assessment of their departments' current capability and performance against these objectives.

Each section of the *Research Achievements & Activity Reporting Dashboard* is required to be completed on annual basis. The reporting spreadsheet has been designed to be completed by department directors or team leaders on behalf of their department or team.

## Engagement with the Initiative for the 2024 data collection period

Facility	Department	Provided data
PAH	Audiology	
	Division of Rehabilitation Teams / Services	
	- Acquired Brain Injury Transitional Rehabilitation Service	
	- Metro South Persistent Pain Service	
	- Spinal Outreach Team	
	- Transitional Rehabilitation Program	
	Nutrition & Dietetics	
	Occupational Therapy / Leisure Therapy / Music Therapy	
	Pharmacy	
	Physiotherapy	
	Prosthetics, Orthotics & Podiatry	
	Psychology	
	Social Work	
Speech Pathology		
Radiation Therapy (ROPAIR + ROPART)		
Workforce Development team		
Logan	Audiology	
	Medical Imaging	
	Nutrition & Dietetics	
	Occupational Therapy	
	Pharmacy	
	Physiotherapy	
	Psychology	
	Social Work	
	Speech Pathology	
QEII	Nutrition & Dietetics	
	Occupational Therapy	
	Pharmacy	
	Physiotherapy	
	Social Work	
	Speech Pathology	
Bayside	Nutrition & Dietetics	
	Occupational Therapy	
	Pharmacy	
	Physiotherapy + Podiatry	
	Social Work	
	Speech Pathology	
MSH Wide	Addiction & Mental Health	
	Community & Oral Health (Incorporates MASS)	
	CFAHR	
	Equity & Access Team	
	Executive Director of Allied Health (EDAH) Office	
<b>TOTAL ENGAGEMENT</b>		<b>84% (37 / 44)</b>
<b>Number or reporting Departments that were "Research Active" (see page 9)</b>		<b>89% (33 / 37)</b>

# MSH Allied Health Research Activity 2024 – At a glance

## Overall Summary: Allied Health Research Activity 2024

### 2024 Allied Health Research Achievements Snapshot



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ETHICS APPROVED RESEARCH PROJECTS

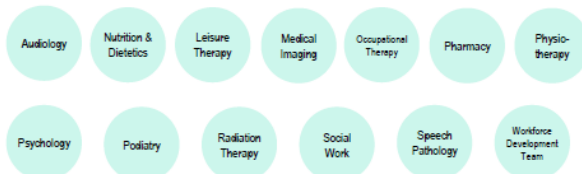
46% included consumers



76% Multidisciplinary Or Multi-site

32

departments were research active\* with representation from 13 HP disciplines



\* 'Research active' defined as at least 1 ethics approved project, publication, conference presentation, grant or RHD student/support during the calendar year



Collaborative mentoring by Centre for Functioning & Health Research (CFAHR) for 70 projects

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### 2024 Allied Health Research Achievements Snapshot



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RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS



OVER 5.5 MILLION

ACTIVE GRANT FUNDING



CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS



19

AWARDS for research excellence & innovation



149

staff WITH or UNDERTAKING a RESEARCH HIGHER DEGREE

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A total of 37 department provided data of the 44 departments eligible to provide a report. Of the 37 reporting departments/teams, 33 (89%) indicated that they were 'research active'. 'Research active' is a self-identified category - defined as having staff leading/contributing to one or more ethically approved projects, publications, presentations, grants and/or RHD students/supervision. A summary of total research activity across key metrics, with breakdown by facility contribution is outlined in the table below, as well as comparison to 2020 and 2021 research activity figures.

**Total unique\* research activity for 2022, 2023 and 2024, by facility**

Facility	Research Activity Metric																			
	No. research active departments/ teams				No. of projects				No. of publications				No. of conference presentations				Amount of active# grant funding (\$)			
	2022	2023	2024	Δ last year	2022	2023	2024	Δ last year	2022	2023	2024	Δ last year	2022	2023	2024	Δ last year	2022	2023	2024	Δ last year
PAH	12	14	15	↑	109	125	127	↑	109	138	105	↓	94	136	113	↓	\$1,699,799	\$1,980,707	2,898,793	↑
QEII	5	3	3	-	15	12	9	↓	12	8	6	↓	12	7	8	↑	\$12,356	\$75,000	32,136	↓
Logan	7	8	8	-	37	43	31	↓	18	23	19	↓	27	30	55	↑	\$180,388	\$164,528	1,192,279	↑
Bayside	5	4	4	-	12	11	8	↓	3	3	0	↓	12	13	2	↓	\$47,217	\$47,341	35,432	↓
Other MSH wide	✓	3	3	-	13	13	31	↑	10	21	33	↑	0	14	13	↓	\$2,640	\$494,909	373,000	↓
CFAHR	✓	✓	✓	-	62	60	55	↓	37	56	60	↑	47	51	37	↓	\$934,719	\$992,839	1,049,438	↑
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>↑</b>	<b>248</b>	<b>264</b>	<b>262</b>	<b>↓</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>↓</b>	<b>192</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>↓</b>	<b>\$2,877,119</b>	<b>\$3,742,896</b>	<b>5,581,077</b>	<b>↑</b>

CFAHR; Centre for Functioning and Health Research; PAH: Princess Alexandra Hospital; QEII: Queen Elizabeth II Jubilee Hospital.

#defined as dollar funding portion spendable for calendar year (if grant >1 year duration)

“Other MSH Wide” includes Addiction & Mental Health, Community & Oral Health, MASS, Equity & Access Team, Executive Director of Allied Health Office only

(\* the data represent proportionate unique activity metrics at the Metro South level and is adjusted to account for shared activity between facilities/teams, therefore it will **not** match the individual facility summaries that follow).

## Ethically Approved Research Projects

Overall, 262 ethically approved projects were undertaken across all seven facilities in 2024, with the largest relative contributions undertaken by PAH and Centre for Functioning and Health Research (CFAHR). The number of approved projects continues to recover well after the COVID-19 pandemic, holding steady with 2023. For 2024, three quarters of reported projects were multidisciplinary risk (n=197, 75%) with just under half involving collaborations outside Metro South HHS (n=123, 47%). Just over half the reported projects (n=133, 51%) were reported to be led/initiated by Allied Health staff. Project details are presented in the Appendix.

## Research Outputs (Publications, Presentations, Grant Funding)

The number of publications and presentations contracted slightly in 2024, possibly due to clinical load demands and the flow-through effect of COVID on project approvals and funding. However, MSH Allied Health staff attracted increased grant funding in 2024, which should increase other outputs in future years as this funded research flows through.

All facilities provided data on research outputs. All facilities reported a decrease in publishing their research during 2024, except Addiction and Mental Health and CFAHR. The overall level of publishing research in 2024 at the Metro South level was reduced by approximately 10% over 2023. This demonstrates increased collaboration between departments and hospitals/directorates. Most of these publications were peer-reviewed journal articles (n=196; 79%), and the majority of output was published by departments/teams at either PAH (n=105; 47%) or CFAHR (n=60; 27%).

Conferences presentations continued as a good performance indicator as clinicians presented their work to their peers. It is promising to see the growth in Logan allied health practitioners presenting their work at conferences (almost double 2023). All facilities reported presenting work at local (n=80; 35%), national (n=83; 37%) or international (n=64; 28%) conferences during 2024. Half of all presentations were oral (n=144; 50%) and presented by staff from PAH (n=113; 49%).

Competitive grant funding was awarded to all facilities in 2024, with PAH, Logan and CFAHR receiving increased funding from 2023. Logan hospital had a sizeable jump in funding growth. In total, 86 unique grants were actively awarded and/or expended in 2024 (compared to 66 in 2021 and 76 in 2023), totalling approximately \$5.58 million. PAH successfully secured the largest amount of grant funding, followed by Logan and CFAHR. Further details for research outputs, by facility and departments are presented in the Appendix.

## Awards for Research/Innovation

Awards for research and innovation were achieved by 19 staff/teams, reported across four facilities in 2024 (PAH, Logan, MSH Persistent Pain Service and the EDAH Office). These ranged from awards recognising excellence for conference presentations and journal articles, to individual commendations/ prizes (e.g., Hopkins Centre Translational Research Award) and recognition by research higher degree supervision excellence. Details regarding the specific nature of these awards are summarised for each facility in subsequent sections of this report.

## Research FTE and Staff with/supporting/undertaking research higher degree

Across MSH 149 staff were reported to have or be undertaking a research higher degree (RHD– i.e., MPhil/Professional Doctorate/PhD). This was a slight decrease on 2023 data and could be due to staff turnover with new staff potentially not having (or being enrolled) in a RHD. A total of 108 staff reported having a RHD, and a further 41 Allied Health staff were undertaking a RHD, of which 12 completed their degree during the calendar year. Sixty-two staff had university/academic titles, an increase of 10 over 2023. During 2023, 28 staff provided supervision to 81 RHD students.

An (accumulated) total of 17.5 FTE positions were identified as “Allied Health research-dedicated staff” in 2024 (an increase of 22% from 2023 and 61% from 10.9 FTE in 2021). The majority of these FTE were deployed at PAH (10 FTE - accumulated) and CFAHR (4.5FTE - accumulated), with no Allied Health research-dedicated FTE reported at QEII or Bayside.

# Overall Summary: Allied Health Research Capability – 2024 data

Research capability was measured through the Allied Health Research Capability Self-Assessment Tool. This tool is part of the Allied Health Research Capability & Development Strategy for 2021–2025 (<https://metrosouth.health.qld.gov.au/sites/default/files/allied-health-research-strategy.pdf>), and is designed to assess six objectives, grouped under three goals:

## **Goal 1: Research close to practice**

Objective 1) Engage staff as research consumers

Objective 2) Enable staff as research participators and generators

## **Goal 2: Research as core business**

Objective 3) Build research-enabling infrastructure and strategic processes

Objective 4) Strengthen leadership in research and innovation,

## **Goal 3: Research in partnership**

Objective 5) Enhance internal research collaboration and synergy

Objective 6) Strengthen partnerships with consumers and external stakeholders.

For each objective, departments within each MSHS facility (excluding CFAHR) were required to rate their capability as either ‘emerging’, ‘consolidating’ or ‘proficient’. Self-assessment tools were shared directly between department directors and Directors of Allied Health to ensure data privacy and comfort using the tool for strategic planning, rather than punitive means.

Overall, 38 departments across 6 facilities (PAH, QEII, Logan, Redland, Community, MSH Wide) provided self-assessment tool data in 2024. Most departments ranked themselves highest (i.e. they were most confident) for Objective 1, while the other Objectives 5 and 6 were rated quite evenly. Departments within the PAH (77%) have the highest number of ‘proficient’ rankings, while departments within Logan and Bayside were more likely to rank themselves within the emerging and/or consolidating categories and QEII as ‘consolidating’.

Self-Assessment Tool		Facility					TOTAL
		PAH (n=14)	QEII (n=4)	Logan (n=9)	Bayside (n=5)	Other MSH (n=4)	
Objective 1	<i>Emerging</i>	1	1	5	4	2	13
	<i>Consolidating</i>	6	1	3	1	0	11
	<i>Proficient</i>	7	2	1	0	2	12
Objective 2	<i>Emerging</i>	1	1	5	3	2	12
	<i>Consolidating</i>	6	3	3	2	1	15
	<i>Proficient</i>	7	0	1	0	1	9
Objective 3	<i>Emerging</i>	2	1	6	3	0	12
	<i>Consolidating</i>	6	2	3	2	4	17
	<i>Proficient</i>	6	1	0	0	0	7
Objective 4	<i>Emerging</i>	2	1	6	3	2	14
	<i>Consolidating</i>	6	3	3	2	2	16
	<i>Proficient</i>	6	0	0	0	0	6
Objective 5	<i>Emerging</i>	2	1	7	5	1	16
	<i>Consolidating</i>	6	3	1	0	2	12
	<i>Proficient</i>	6	0	1	0	1	8
Objective 6	<i>Emerging</i>	2	1	4	4	3	14
	<i>Consolidating</i>	8	2	5	1	1	17
	<i>Proficient</i>	4	1	0	0	0	5

# Analysis of Allied Health Research Activity *by Facility*

The remaining sections of this report provide a snapshot and aggregated analyses of research activity conducted by Allied Health staff at each of the following facilities/sites:

- Princess Alexandra Hospital
- QEII Hospital
- Logan Hospital
- Bayside Hospital
- Other MSH  
(Addiction & Mental Health, Community & Oral Health, MASS, Equity & Access Team, EDAH Office)
- Centre for Functioning & Health Research (CFAHR)

Infographic summaries for Addiction and Mental Health and Community Services are not presented due to the partial/limited nature of the data provided. However, where Addiction and Mental Health and Community services data were available they have been included within the overall MSH data and a short summary in this report.

All data presented from this point onwards represents **facility-weighted data** (e.g., if a project was conducted jointly by PAH and QEII, it adds one project to the count in both the PAH and QEII summaries).

# PAH Allied Health Research Activity 2024 – at a glance

## 2024 PAH Research Achievements Snapshot



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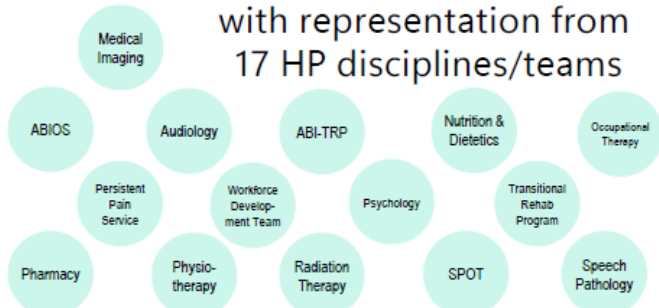
ETHICS APPROVED RESEARCH PROJECTS



81% Multidisciplinary Or Multi-site

48% included consumers

88% departments were research active\* with representation from 17 HP disciplines/teams



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## 2024 PAH Research Achievements Snapshot



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RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS



OVER 3.4 MILLION

ACTIVE GRANT FUNDING



CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS



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AWARDS for research excellence & innovation



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staff WITH or UNDERTAKING a RESEARCH HIGHER DEGREE

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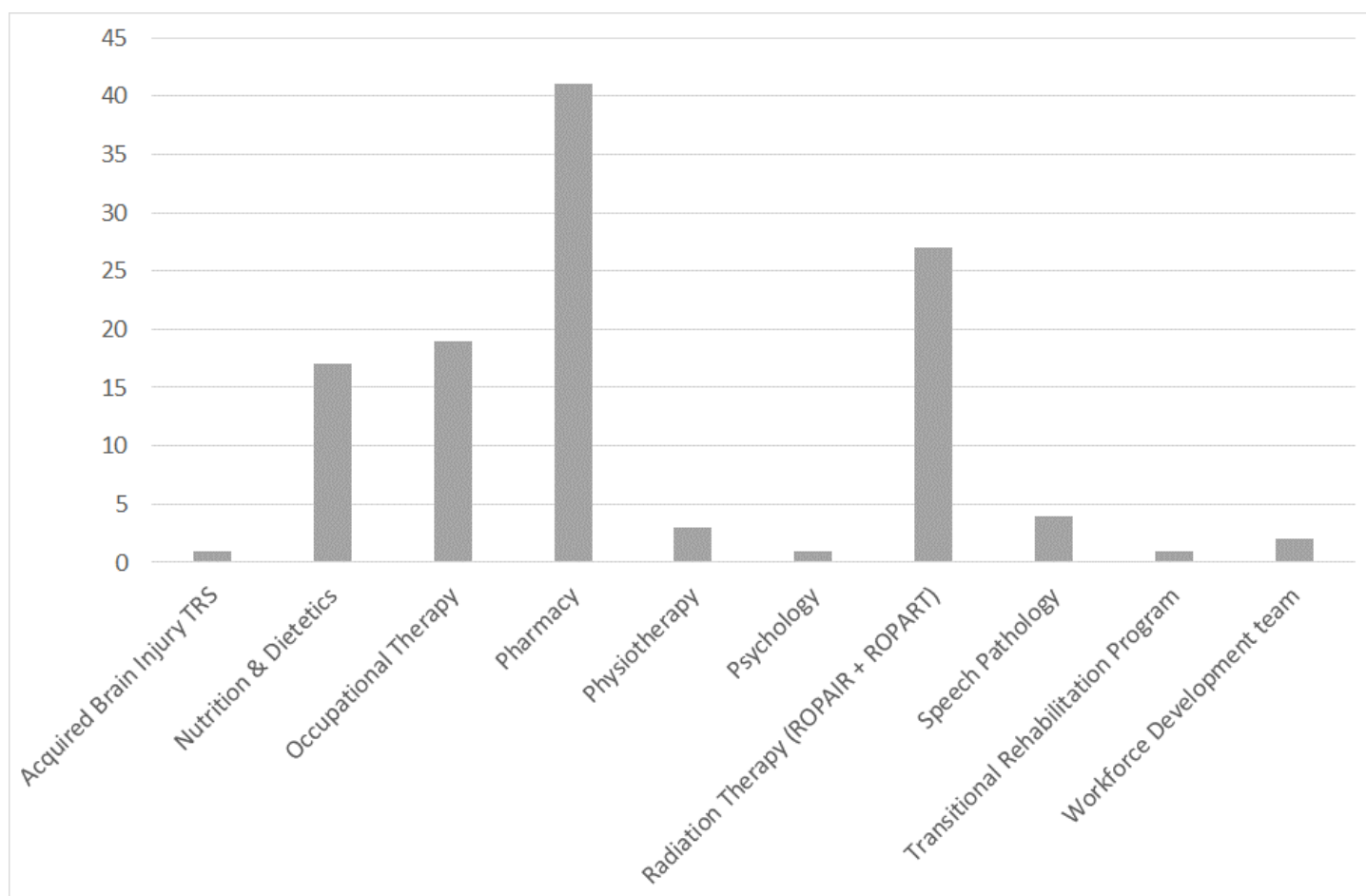
# Facility Summary: Princess Alexandra Hospital

## Research Projects

PAH Allied Health staff undertook 143 ethically approved projects in 2024. Research projects were undertaken by all fourteen reporting departments/teams with representation from the Division of Clinical Support Services, the Division of Rehabilitation (Acquired Brain Injury Outreach Service) and the Division of Cancer (Radiation Therapy ROPAIR and ROPART). The majority of projects were initiated/led by the specified department (n=88; 62%), with 116 (81%) multidisciplinary and 58 (48%) involving consumers. The departments which participated in the greatest number of projects included Nutrition & Dietetics (n=44; 31%), Radiation Therapy (ROPAIR and ROPART) (n=21; 15%) and Physiotherapy (n=20; 14%). Project details are presented in the Appendix.

## Publications

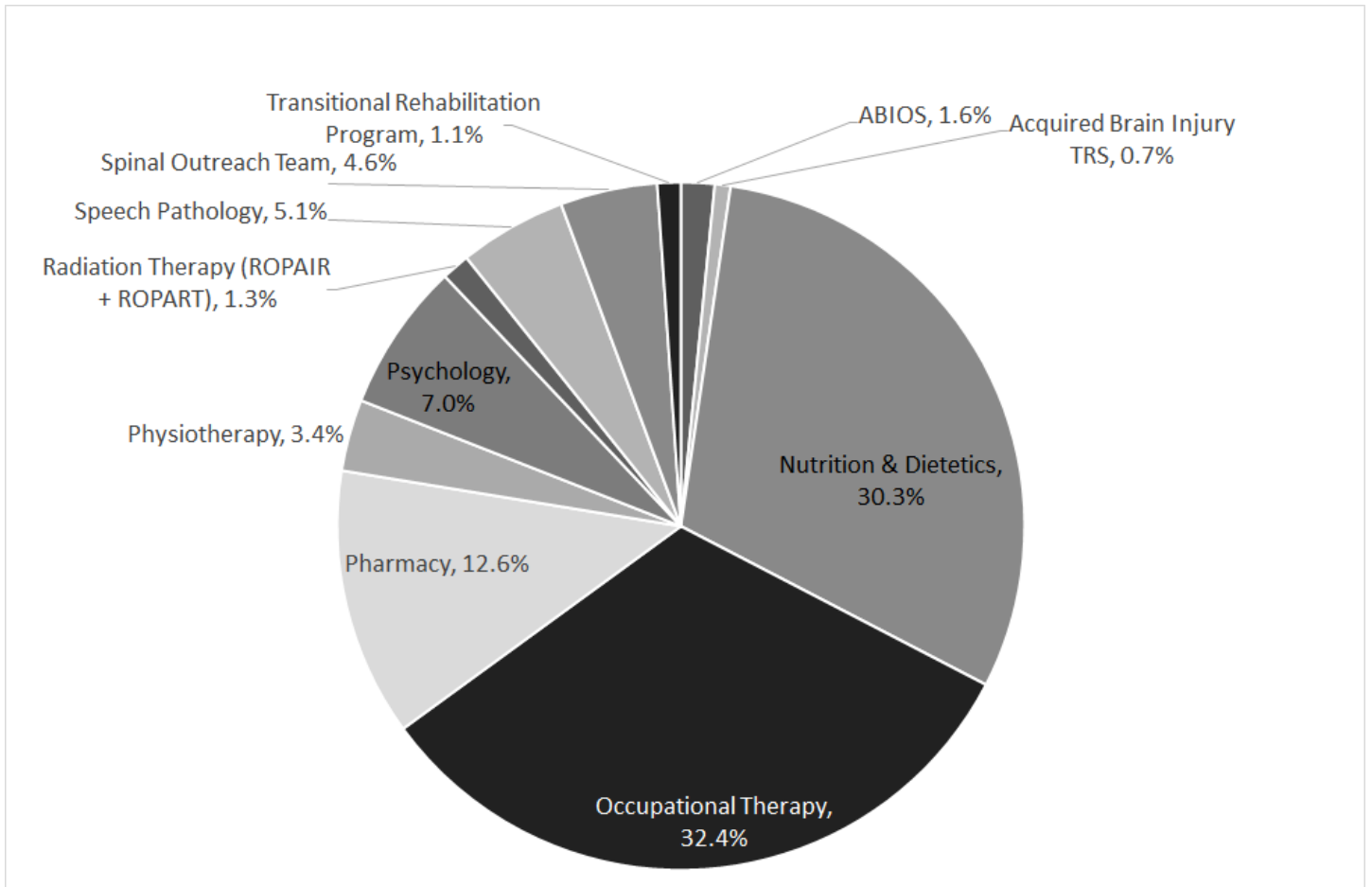
PAH Allied Health staff authored 117 publications, a decrease of 23% from 2023. The majority of publications were peer-reviewed journal articles (n=99; 85%), with over three-quarters multidisciplinary in nature (n=94; 80.3%) and initiated by the specified department (n=76; 65%). Publication details are presented in the Appendix.



**Research publications in each Allied Health/Health Practitioner Department at PAH – 2024**

## Grants

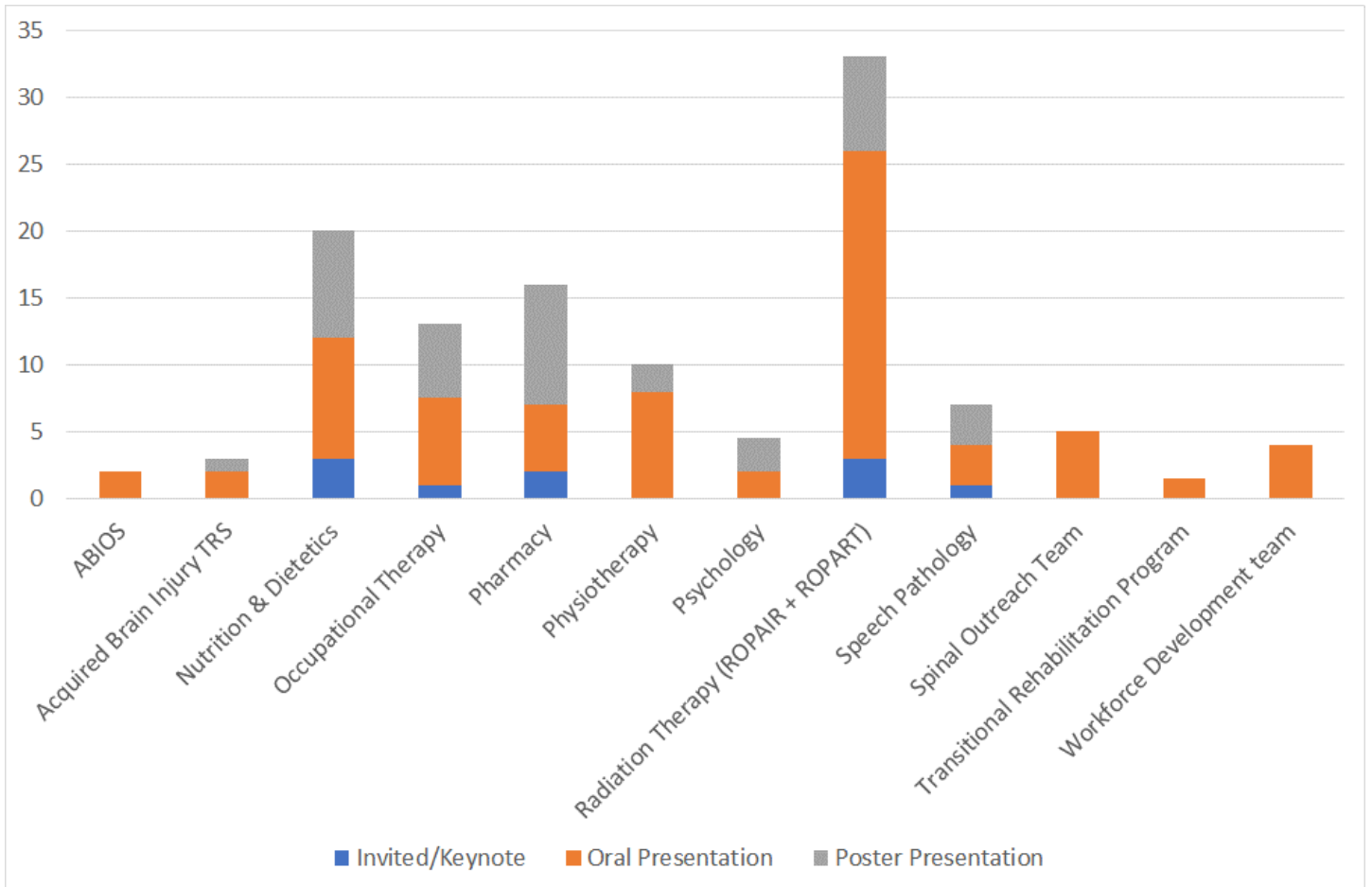
Just over \$3.4 million (n=52 grants) in competitive grant funding was utilised by PAH departments in 2024. This was a marked increase from 2023 (\$2.1 million across 45 grants). Eleven departments contributed to these figures, with breakdown by department in the graph below. Funding details are presented in the Appendix.



**Grant funding per Allied Health/health practitioner department at PAH – 2024**

## Conference Presentations

One hundred and nineteen presentations were presented by staff from 12 PAH departments/teams in 2024. The majority of presentations were oral or an invited/keynote speaker (n=81, 68%). Conference presentations occurred locally (32%, n=38), nationally (39%, n=47) and internationally (29%, n=35) with 66% (n=79) initiated by the specified department. Presentation details are in the Appendix.



**Conference presentations per Allied Health/health practitioner department at PAH - 2024**

## Research FTE and Staff with/supporting/undertaking RHDs

PAH Allied Health departments reported 91 of their staff had completed or were undertaking a RHD. Of this total, 32 staff (ABIOS=1, ABI-TRS=1, TRP=1, N&D=3, OT=3, Pharm=8, Physio=2, Psych=1, RT=6, SP=3) were undertaking an RHD. Six staff completed their RHD in 2024 (N&D=2, OT=1, Pharm=1, RT=1, Workforce Development=1).

In addition, 46 staff reported having a university or academic title (increased from 35 in 2023) and eight of the fourteen reporting departments that were research active had some research-dedicated FTE ranging from 0.4 to 2.8FTE. During 2024, 20 PAH staff members (ABIOS= 1, ABI-TRS=1, Audiology=2, N&D=3, OT=3, Pharm=5, Physio=3, RT=2) provided supervision to 52 RHD students.

## Awards for Research and Innovation

PAH Allied Health staff won 15 awards for excellence in research innovation during 2024. Details of the awards won by staff are presented below.

Department	Award Details
Nutrition & Dietetics	Best Poster - Student Researcher Award, Princess Alexandra Hospital Health Symposium - Margie Conley (dept involved team members include Hannah Mayr) - Slowing kidney disease with weight loss: a randomised controlled feasibility study (SLOW-CKD Feasibility Study).
Nutrition & Dietetics	Best Poster - People's Choice Award, Princess Alexandra Hospital Health Symposium - Margie Conley (dept involved team members include Hannah Mayr, Soraya Cunningham). A Journey through Low Energy Diets in Adults with Kidney Disease: Insights from the SLOW-CKD Feasibility Study.
Nutrition & Dietetics	Best Oral presentation - People's Choice Award, Princess Alexandra Hospital Health Symposium - Heidi Johnston (dept involved team members include Hannah Mayr) - Myosteatosis is associated with frailty and poor physical function in patients referred for liver transplantation.
Occupational Therapy	Trevethan, M., Doig, E., Patterson, F., & Pigott, A. (2024) "Exploration of the impact of ICG lymphography on individual's lymphoedema self-management plans" Australasian Lymphology Association Conference, Adelaide, 2nd-4th May 2024 *won best student oral presentation
Pharmacy	Kate Ziser: Best original research presentation for The association between sodium glucose cotransporter-2 Inhibitors vs. dipeptidyl peptidase-4 inhibitors and renal outcomes in people discharged from hospital with type 2 diabetes: a population-based cohort study. Presented on behalf of author group at the Society of Hospital Pharmacists of Australia National Conference, November, 2024.
Pharmacy	Jonathan Lam: Pharmaceutical Society of Singapore. 33rd Singapore Pharmacy Congress 2024. Best Poster Presentation: Clinical Pharmacy and Pharmacy Practice. Development and Evaluation of Machine Learning Risk Prediction Models for Medication Harm in Hospitalised Patients
Pharmacy	Nazanin Falconer: UQ School of Pharmacy. Best Publication in Clinical Pharmacy for paper entitled: The Adverse Inpatient Medication Event and Frailty Risk Prediction Model. Published in Research in Social and Administrative Pharmacy. 2024
Pharmacy	Jacqueline Leggett. Business Award for the The University of Queensland M Clin Pharm Program in 2024
Physiotherapy	Claire Hackett Presenting at ANZICS in Brisbane. PHYSIO+++ a pilot randomised controlled trial assessing the feasibility of physiotherapist-led non-invasive ventilation for patients with hypoxaemia following abdominal surgery. April 2024. Presented in the best allied health prize session but did not win.
Radiation Therapy (ROPAIR + ROPART)	Awarded Best RT Student Paper Prize. Cameron C, Brown E, Pollard N. Evaluation of image verification shifts in VMAT breast and nodal patients and potential influencing factors. Oral Presentation. J Med Radiat Sci. 2024; 71(S1): 2051-3895 <a href="https://doi.org/10.1002/jmrs.765">https://doi.org/10.1002/jmrs.765</a> Special Issue: ASMIRT 2024: Colours of Country – Community, Resilience, Innovation. Annual Scientific Meeting of Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy – 18th National Conference. Darwin 2024.
Radiation Therapy (ROPAIR + ROPART)	Awarded Best RT Student Paper Prize. Wright. G, Choma K., Hargrave C, Pollard N, Stewart K. Evaluation of ExacTrac Dynamic Pre-Positioning Accuracy and Efficiency versus Tattoo-Based Positioning for Chest Radiation Therapy. ASMIRT QLD CEC Student Paper Night, Online event, 17 September 2024, Oral Presentation

# QEII Allied Health Research Activity 2024 – at a glance

## 2024 QE II Research Achievements Snapshot



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ETHICS APPROVED  
RESEARCH PROJECTS



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Or Multi-site

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Occupational  
Therapy



Physiotherapy



Social  
Work

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## 2024 QE II Research Achievements Snapshot



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RESEARCH  
PUBLICATIONS

OVER  
\$ 38,000

ACTIVE  
GRANT FUNDING



CONFERENCE  
PRESENTATIONS



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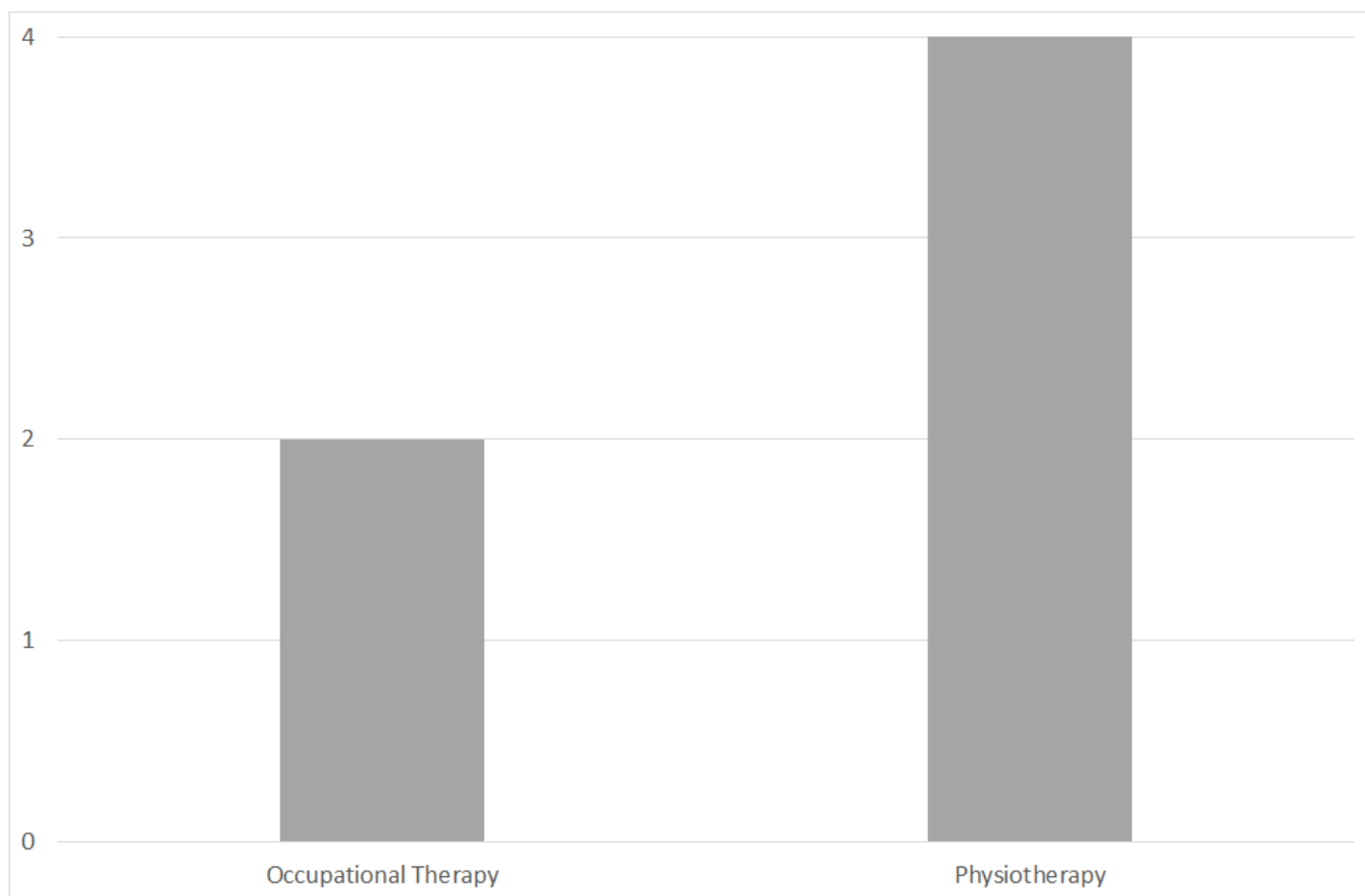
# Facility Summary: QEII Hospital

## Research Projects

Nine ethically approved projects were undertaken across two departments in 2024. Four of these projects were led by QEII staff (44%), most were multidisciplinary (n=7; 78%) and two-thirds involved consumers in an active role in the project (n=6; 67%). The departments which undertook the projects in 2024 were Occupational Therapy and Physiotherapy. Project details are presented in the Appendix.

## Publications

Six publications were authored by staff who worked in two QEII departments in 2024. All the publications were in peer-reviewed journal articles, 2 (33%) were multidisciplinary and 4 (67%) were initiated by the specified department. Publication details are presented in the Appendix.



**Research publications in each Allied Health/Health Practitioner Department at QEII – 2024**

## Grants

Three grants totalling \$38,272 were used by the Occupational Therapy department in 2024 at QEII Hospital.

## Conference Presentations

Eight presentations were completed by Allied Health staff at QEII 2024. Seven presentations were from Occupational Therapy and one from Social Work. The majority of presentations were oral (n=6, 75%) with a further 1 each keynote and poster presentation. Seven presentations were initiated at QEII and presented at local (n=3; 38%), national (n=1; 12%) and international (n=4, 50%) conferences. Presentation details are in the Appendix.

## Research FTE and Staff with/supporting/undertaking RHDs

During 2024, one staff member (Physiotherapy) was undertaking a RHD, with six having a RHD (OT=1, Physio=2, SP=1, SW=2). QEII Allied Health departments reported no dedicated research FTE or staff members with academic titles or affiliated with universities.

## Awards for Research and Innovation

No awards were received by QEII Allied Health staff in 2024.

# Logan & Beaudesert Allied Health Research Activity 2024 – at a glance

## 2024 Logan & Beaudesert Research Achievements Snapshot



**35**  
ETHICS APPROVED  
RESEARCH PROJECTS



81% Multidisciplinary  
Or Multi-site

43% included consumers

**89 %** departments were  
research active\*  
with representation from  
8 HP disciplines/teams



\* "Research active" defined as at least 1 ethics approved project, publication, conference presentation, grant or RHD student/support during the calendar year



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## 2024 Logan & Beaudesert Research Achievements Snapshot



**21**  
RESEARCH  
PUBLICATIONS

OVER  
**\$ 1.19**  
MILLION

ACTIVE  
GRANT FUNDING



**5**  
international

**51**  
Local & national

CONFERENCE  
PRESENTATIONS



**3**  
AWARDS  
for  
research excellence  
& innovation



**14**  
staff WITH or  
UNDERTAKING a  
RESEARCH HIGHER  
DEGREE

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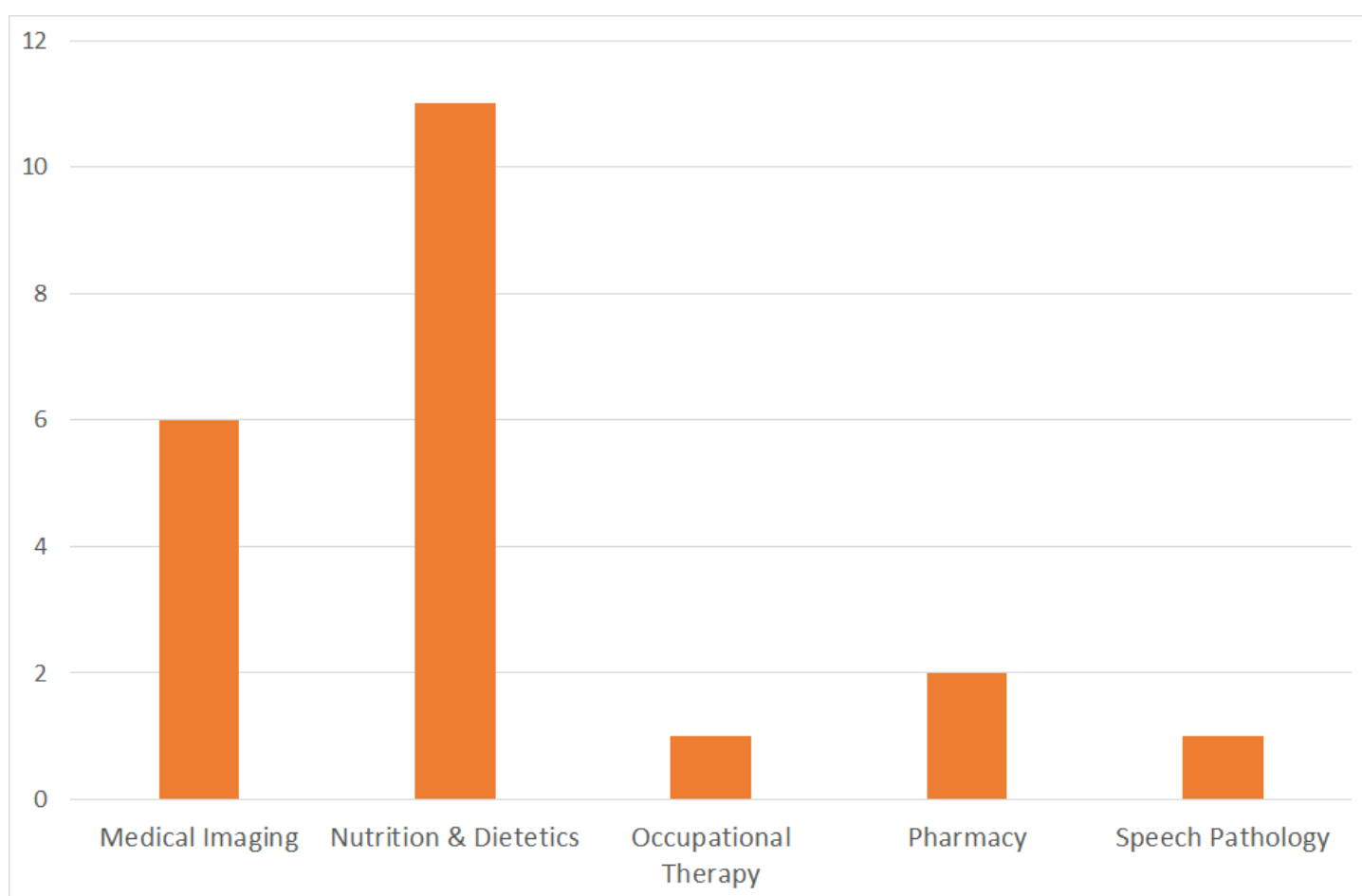
# Facility Summary: Logan & Beaudesert Hospitals

## Research Projects

Eight departments undertook 35 ethically approved projects in 2024. The majority of projects were led by Logan and Beaudesert staff (n=22; 63%), multidisciplinary (n=18; 51%) and 12 (43%) involved consumer partnering. Physiotherapy (n=13; 37%), Pharmacy (n=9; 26%), Nutrition and Dietetics (n=4; 11%) and Speech Pathology (n=4, 11%) undertook the greatest number of projects in 2024. Project details are presented in the Appendix.

## Publications

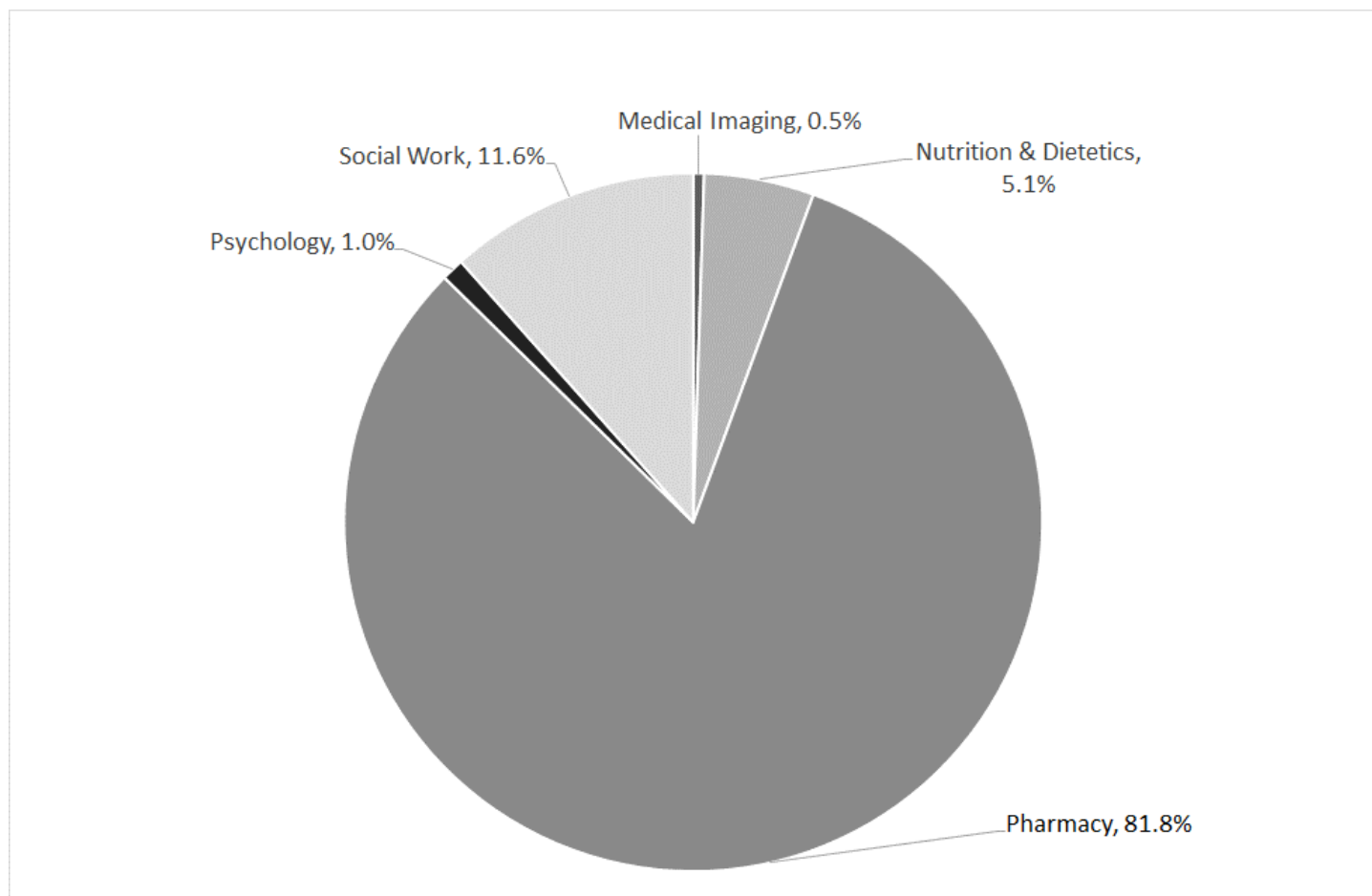
Twenty-one publications were authored by staff from five Logan & Beaudesert Allied Health departments in 2024. Most of these publications were peer-reviewed journal articles (n=13, 62%) and initiated by the specified department (n=11, 52%). Approximately half were multidisciplinary (n=12, 57%) and just over one third involved collaboration outside Metro South (n=8, 38%). Publication details are presented in the Appendix.



**Research publications in each Allied Health/Health Practitioner Department at Logan - 2024**

## Grants

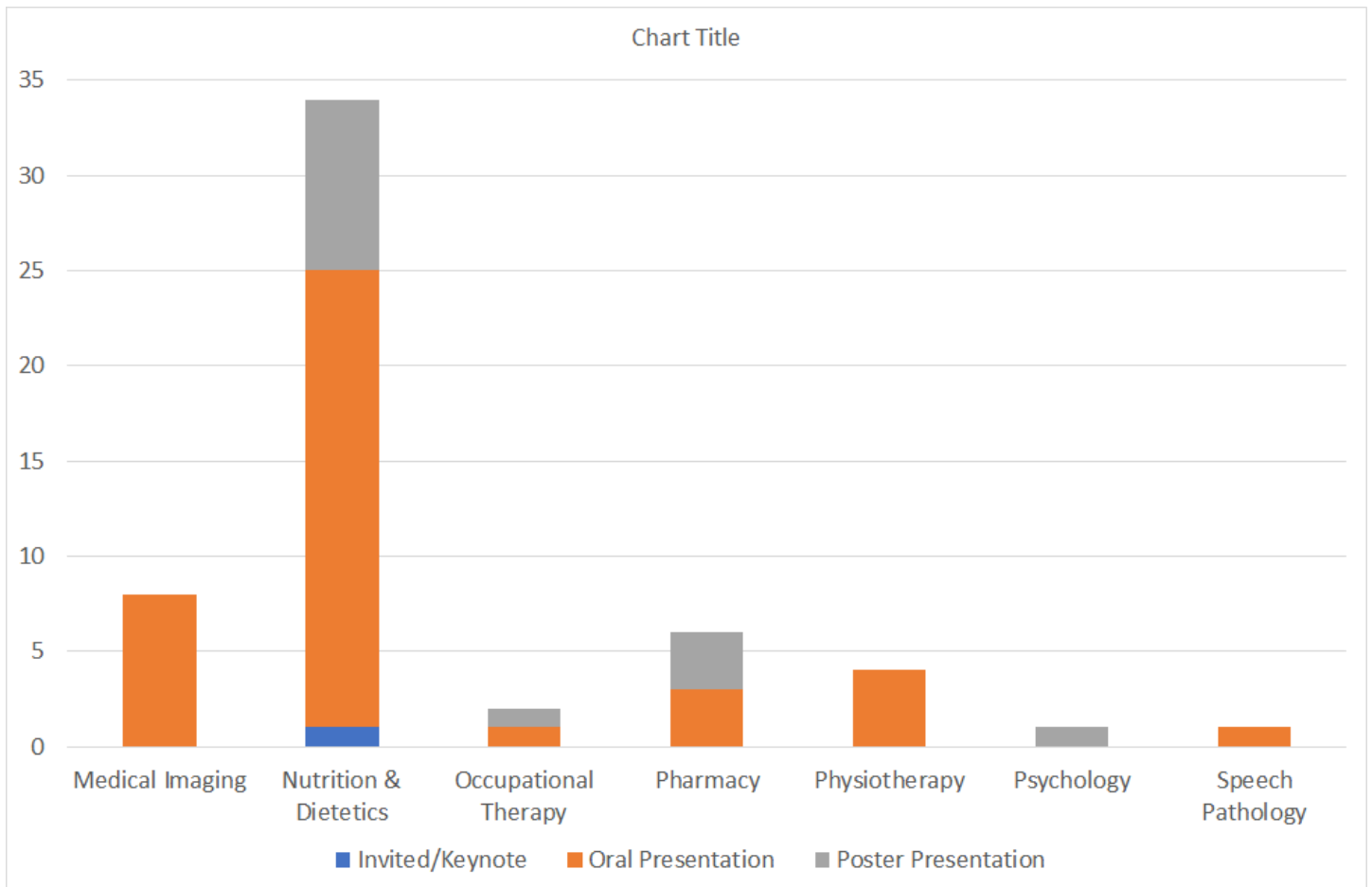
A total of \$1,192,279 (almost a \$1 million increase on 2023) in competitive grant funding was obtained by Logan and Beaudesert Allied Health departments for active use in 2024, from 12 grants. Five departments contributed to these overall figures, as shown in the breakdown below. Pharmacy was named on six grants totalling \$974,937 of funding for 2024 research. Funding details are presented in the Appendix.



**Grant funding per Allied Health/health practitioner department at Logan – 2024**

## Conference Presentations

Fifty-six presentations were presented by staff from five Logan and Beaudesert Allied Health departments in 2024. Presentations consisted of invited (n=1; 2%), oral (n=41; 73%) and poster (n=14; 25%) presentations at local (n=26; 46%), national (n=25, 45%) and international (n=5, 9%) conferences. The majority of presentations were initiated by the specified department (n=54, 96%). Presentation details are presented in the Appendix.



Conference presentations per Allied Health/health practitioner department at Logan – 2024

## Research FTE and Staff with/supporting/undertaking RHDs

Logan Allied Health departments reported a total of 14 staff with or undertaking a RHD. Seven staff were reported to have a RHD (N&D=2, Pharmacy=2, SP=2) with another seven staff (ND=2, Physio=2, Psych=1, SW=1, SP=1) undertaking their RHD. Nutrition and Dietetics reported 1.0 research dedicated FTE in 2024, with Medical Imaging having 0.25 FTE and Pharmacy 0.165 FTE. Two departments (N&D and SW) provided supervision to one RHD student each. Four staff members had a university/academic title (Pharmacy=2, Medical Imaging=1, Psychology=1).

## Awards for Research and Innovation

Logan and Beaudesert Allied Health staff won three awards for excellence in research innovation in 2024. Details of the awards won by staff are presented below.

Department	Award Details
Nutrition & Dietetics	Jacqui Contugno - best oral presentation - Logan Beaudesert Health Service Allied Health Research and Quality Improvement Forum
Nutrition & Dietetics	Emma Owers - best lightning presentation - Logan Beaudesert Health Service Allied Health Research and Quality Improvement Forum
Nutrition & Dietetics	Madelyn Meury - best poster - Logan Beaudesert Health Service Allied Health Research and Quality Improvement Forum

# Bayside Allied Health Research Activity 2024 – at a glance

## 2024 Bayside Research Achievements Snapshot



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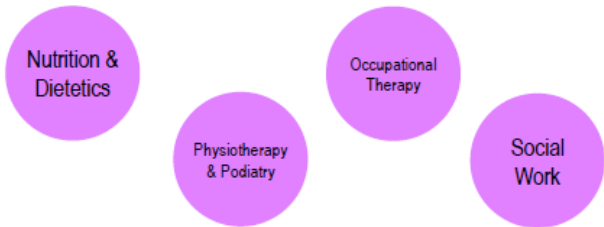
ETHICS APPROVED RESEARCH PROJECTS



88% Multidisciplinary Or Multi-site

50% included consumers

57% departments were research active\* with representation from 4 HP disciplines/teams



\*"Research active" defined as at least 1 ethics approved project, publication, conference presentation, grant or RHD student/support during the calendar year



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## 2024 Bayside Research Achievements Snapshot



1

area of INFLUENCE to change CLINICAL PRACTICE

OVER \$ 37,000

ACTIVE GRANT FUNDING



2 Local & national

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS



5

MULTIDISCIPLINARY projects



2

COLLABORATIONS outside Metro South



1

staff WITH or UNDERTAKING a RESEARCH HIGHER DEGREE

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# Facility Summary: Bayside Health Service

## Research Projects

Eight ethically approved projects were undertaken at Bayside Health Service in 2024 across four Allied Health departments. Of the 8 projects, five (63%) were multidisciplinary, two (25%) involved collaboration outside Metro South and four (50%) involved consumer engagement and/or partnering. Physiotherapy and Podiatry undertook the greatest number of projects in 2024 (n=4; 50%) with Occupational Therapy undertaking 2 (25%). Project details are presented in the Appendix.

## Publications

No publications were reported in 2024 by Bayside Allied Health departments.

## Grants

One competitive grant was used by the Physiotherapy and Podiatry department at Bayside in 2024 totalling \$37,557. Further details are provided in the Appendix.

## Conference Presentations

Two presentations were completed by the Occupational Therapy department. One presentation was oral and one was a poster, both at local conferences. Presentation details are presented in the Appendix.

## Staff supporting/undertaking RHDs

One staff member from Social Work was reported to be undertaking an RHD in 2024. Bayside Health Service Allied Health departments reported no staff holding a RHD or dedicated research FTE.

## Awards for Research and Innovation

Bayside Health Service Allied Health did not report any awards for excellence in research and innovation in 2024.

# CFAHR Research Activity 2024 – at a glance

## 2024 Centre for Functioning & Health Research Achievements Snapshot



**70**  
ETHICS APPROVED  
RESEARCH PROJECTS

supporting research capacity  
Building across 5 MSH sites



**90 %**

projects involved  
active mentoring  
of MSH staff



**80 %**

projects were  
multidisciplinary  
and/or multi-site

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## 2024 Centre for Functioning & Health Research Achievements Snapshot



**74**  
RESEARCH  
PUBLICATIONS

OVER  
**\$ 1.56**  
MILLION

ACTIVE  
GRANT FUNDING



**26 %**  
projects with  
CONSUMER  
ENGAGEMENT



**25**  
RESEARCH HIGHER  
DEGREE students  
supported by  
CFAHR



**44**  
International, national  
& local  
CONFERENCE  
PRESENTATIONS



**12**  
Invited and keynote  
CONFERENCE  
PRESENTATIONS

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# Facility Summary: Centre for Functioning & Health Research Research Projects

CFAHR staff undertook or supported 70 ethically approved projects in 2024. Most projects were multidisciplinary (n=56; 80%) and involved collaboration outside Metro South (n=46, 66%), with 18 projects (26%) involving consumer engagement and/or partnering. Project details are presented in the Appendix.

## Publications

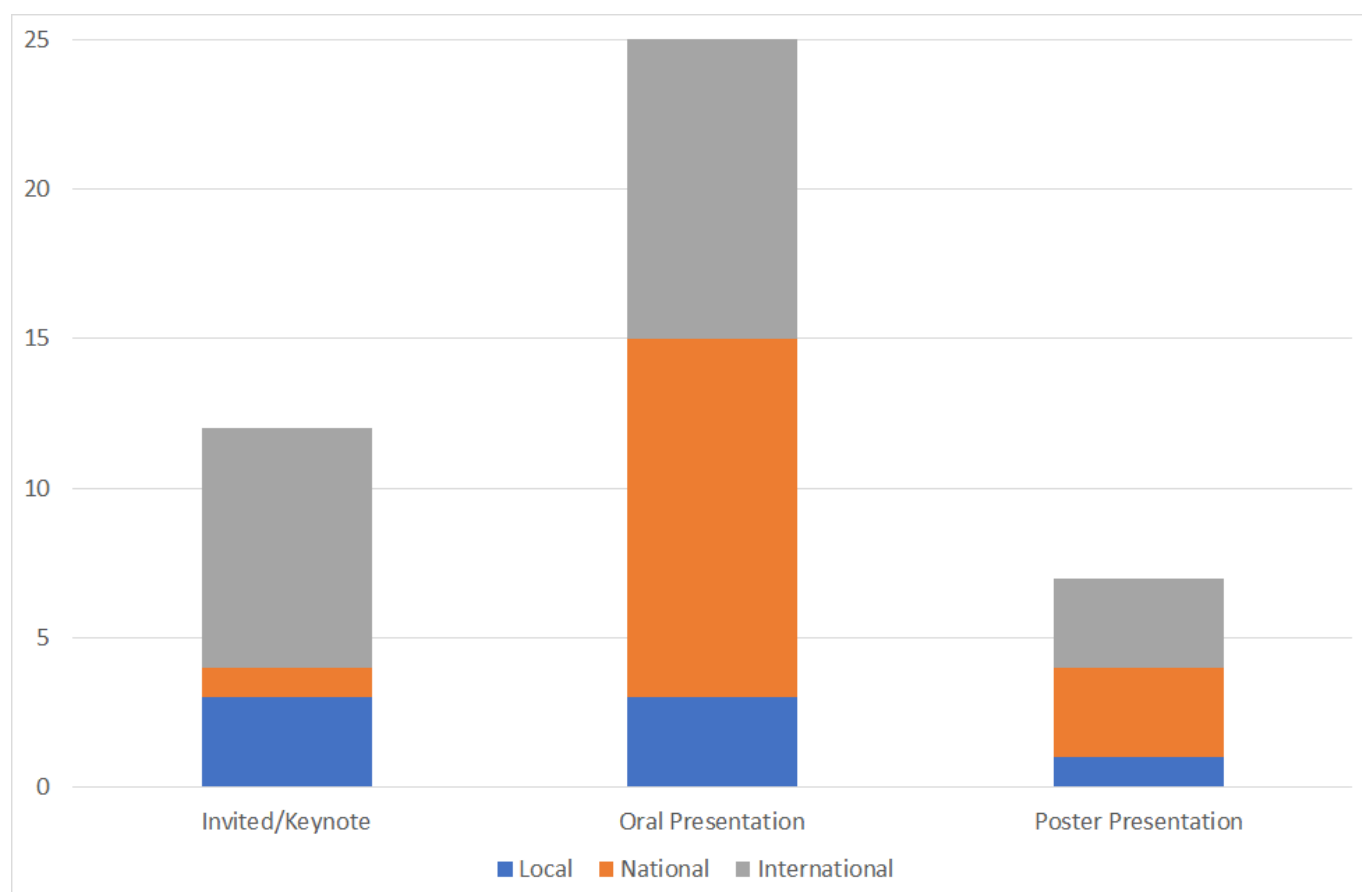
Seventy-four publications were authored by CFAHR staff in 2024. The majority (n=51; 69%) were peer-reviewed journal articles. Other publications included one book, 10 book chapters and 12 published abstracts. CFAHR staff supported/contributed (rather than initiated) the majority of these publications (n=62; 84%). Publication details are presented in the Appendix.

## Grants

A total of \$1,560,447 (n=17 grants) in competitive grant funding was utilised by CFAHR in 2024. Funding details are presented in the Appendix.

## Conference Presentations

Forty-four presentations were presented or contributed to by staff at CFAHR in 2024. Most of these presentations were oral presentations (n=25; 73%) with 21 (47%) presented internationally and 16 (36%) presented nationally. Presentation details are presented in the Appendix.



**CFAHR conference presentations - 2024**

## Staff supporting/undertaking RHDs

The research dedicated FTE within CFAHR in 2021 was 4.5 (head count of 6 staff). During 2024, CFAHR staff members provided supervision to 23 RHD students. All CFAHR staff members (n=6) have an RHD and had

university/academic titles. CFAHR staff supervised 23 RHD candidates in 2024. Four RHD candidates supervised by CFAHR staff completed their degrees in 2024.

## Awards

CFAHR did not report any awards for excellence in research and innovation in 2024.

# Other MSH Facilities Research Activity 2024 – at a glance

## 2024 Other MSH (not CFAHR) Research Achievements Snapshot



31

ETHICS APPROVED RESEARCH PROJECTS



84% Multidisciplinary Or Multi-site

39% included consumers

66% departments were research active\* with representation from 4 HP teams



\*Research active defined as at least 1 ethics approved project, publication, conference presentation, grant or RHD student/support during the calendar year



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## 2024 Other MSH (not CFAHR) Research Achievements Snapshot



33

RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS

OVER \$235,000

ACTIVE GRANT FUNDING



CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS



26

MULTIDISCIPLINARY projects



17

COLLABORATIONS outside Metro South



27

staff WITH or UNDERTAKING a RESEARCH HIGHER DEGREE

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## Other MSH Facilities

### Facility Summary: Addiction and Mental Health (A&MH) Services

#### Research Projects

Eleven ethically approved projects were undertaken by Allied Health staff at A&MH in 2024. Seven projects (64%) were multidisciplinary with two (18%) involving collaboration outside Metro South and four (44%) engaged or partnered with consumers. Project details are presented in the Appendix.

#### Publications

Thirty-one publications were authored by staff in A&MH in 2024. All were peer-reviewed journal articles and collaborations with other areas. Publication details are presented in the Appendix.

#### Grants

Two grants were utilised in 2024 by A&MH allied health staff totalling \$150,000. Grant details are presented in the Appendix.

#### Staff supporting/undertaking RHDs

Four Allied Health staff members were involved supervising three RHD students in 2024. Seventeen staff members have a RHD with two undertaking an RHD and one graduation in 2024. Four staff members supervised a RHD student during 2024.

#### Awards

A&MH did not report any awards for excellence in research and innovation in 2024.

### Facility Summary: Community & Oral Health (COH) [incorporating Medical Aids Subsidy Scheme (MASS)]

#### Research Projects

Seven ethically approved projects were undertaken by Allied Health staff at COH in 2024. All projects were multidisciplinary with five (71%) involving collaboration outside Metro South and two (29%) engaged or partnered with consumers. Project details are presented in the Appendix.

#### Publications

One publication (peer-reviewed journal article) was authored by staff in COH in 2024. Details are presented in the Appendix.

#### Conference Presentations

Nine presentations were presented by COH allied health staff in 2024. Seven (78%) were presented at local conference(s) and two (22%) presented internationally. All presentations were led by COH staff with 5 (56%) oral presentations and 4 (44%) posters. Details are presented in the Appendix.

#### Staff supporting/undertaking RHDs

One Allied Health staff member was undertaking a RHD in 2024.

# Facility Summary: Executive Director of Allied Health (EDAH) Office

## Publications

One publication (peer-reviewed journal article) was authored by EDAH Office staff in 2024. Details are presented in the Appendix.

## Conference Presentations

Two oral presentations were presented by EDAH Office staff in 2024. Details are presented in the Appendix.

## Staff supporting/undertaking RHDs

Two EDAH Office staff members had a RHD in 2024. One EDAH Office staff member had a university academic title.

## Awards

EDAH Office received one award in 2024. Details are below.

Department	Award Details
EDAH Office	Metro North Research Awards - Winner of implementation award for Helix Implementation support program