



Collaboration for Enhanced Research Impact

## Networking, collaboration & communication

### What is CERI?

The Collaboration for Enhanced Research Impact (CERI) is a joint initiative between the Prevention Centre and four NHMRC Centres of Research Excellence. CERI aims to enhance the profile and impact of chronic disease prevention research in Australia.

Established in June 2020, this novel initiative brings together some of Australia's leading prevention researchers to develop shared narratives, work together to translate new knowledge, and support early- to mid-career researchers across all member institutions.

What is novel about CERI is our aligned approach to finding the policy and practice implications of our work, and developing shared communications across our various projects and participating centres.

## MISSION

To enhance the impact, profile and value-add of prevention research in Australia through expanded multi-centre collaboration and networking.

## GOALS



### 1 Expand

Develop new, expanded and shared evidence-informed narratives and policy briefs for policy makers and research funders about systems approaches to chronic disease prevention.

The shared findings will focus on topics such as the value of prevention, and the implications of our multi-centre prevention research findings for policy and practice. We will also consider the implications from across our programs of work for large-scale systems change for preventing chronic disease – discussing what is needed, why it's important, and what it looks like.



### 2 Share

Build on and synthesise for wide dissemination the shared learnings about knowledge mobilisation and science communication to support impact on policy and practice.

The products developed will be prevention-focused user-guides and tool kits on knowledge mobilisation and science communication. They will draw on extensive learnings across CERI and provide practical advice around what to do, when and how. These will be shared within CERI and with other national prevention research funders and programs.



### 3 Develop

Provide new expanded multi-centre opportunities for professional development and capacity building for early- and mid-career researchers.

The opportunities will help build shared networks and new professional relationships to foster inter-disciplinary exchange, collaboration and co-production with policy and practice decision makers. We will also expand our existing early- and mid-career networks within CERI, and nurture skill development in knowledge mobilisation strategies and science communication methods.

## CERI members



## How will it work?

We will work with our policy and practice partners to compile the practical implications of our combined programs of research.



## Who are our members?



The Australian Prevention Partnership Centre (the Prevention Centre) is a national research, policy, and practice collaboration finding effective ways to prevent Australia's greatest health burden: the epidemic of chronic disease. The Prevention Centre aims to determine how we can build an effective, efficient and equitable system for the prevention of lifestyle-related chronic disease.



The Health in Preconception and Pregnancy (HiPP) collaborative is a multi-disciplinary national and international network led from the Monash Centre for Health Research and Implementation. HiPP aims to enable women-centred and equitable health care that supports women in healthy lifestyles, optimising weight and health across the life-course.



Early Prevention of Obesity in Childhood (EPOCH) brings together researchers, practitioners and policy makers from Australia, New Zealand and England to work on the prevention of obesity in children (0–5 years). EPOCH aims to reduce the prevalence of obesity and obesity-related behaviours in the first five years of life, and their future impact.



The National Centre of Implementation Science (NCOIS) is an Australian Research Centre working towards bridging the evidence-implementation gap in chronic disease prevention. NCOIS' primary aim is to improve the translation of evidence-based chronic disease prevention into policies and practice.



The Food Retail Environments for Health (RE-FRESH) collaboration encompasses multidisciplinary research to demonstrate how healthy food retail can become the new norm for food business. RE-FRESH aims to transform the environments in which citizens buy their food and drink in order to improve our population's diet and health. It's focus is on building the evidence, methods, and tools we need to accelerate uptake of proven interventions that will put this goal within our reach.

## How to stay informed?

To keep track of the collaboration's progress and for news and events on prevention, subscribe to the Prevention Centre's newsletter: The Chronicle



**Interested in joining?** The participating members plan to expand the collaboration in 2021 to include other CREs and research centres working on the prevention of chronic disease.

For further questions about CERI or if you are interested in joining the collaboration please contact us [preventioncentre@saxinstitute.org.au](mailto:preventioncentre@saxinstitute.org.au)