

## The Project - PhD in Policy Coherence and Divergence around Linking Health and Social Care in Australia

The National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) Centre of Research Excellence for Integrated Health and Social Care (CREHSCI) is a 5-year program running to the end of 2024. It spans various Universities and institutions with a large budget and a multitude of high-level stakeholders.

The Academic host of the CREHSCI is the Menzies Centre for Health Policy and Economics, Sydney School of Public Health at The University of Sydney. The CREHSCI program is offering a PhD scholarship stipend to undertake research for 3.5 years.

As part of our CREHSCI's policy analysis stream, this PhD project will undertake a series of analyses **examining policy coherence and divergence around linking health and social care in Australia**. The candidate will use theories of public policy, governance and administration to undertake in depth case studies examining relationships between different levels and locations of decision making such as local/state/federal; public/private/non-profit; and health/social care/education/other sectors. A full project proposal will be developed by candidate, and may include developing expertise in:

- theoretical approaches such as theories of change, realist methodologies, theories of collective action, and experimental governance
- stakeholder mapping and power analysis
- documentary analysis and process tracing
- policy content analysis

The successful candidate might also be supported with opportunities to undertake additional parallel paid work within the CREHSCI supporting activities and research.

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