

<b>Portfolio:</b>	<b>Finance and Support Services</b>	<b>Ref. No.</b>	<b>TOR-4118</b>
<b>Department:</b>	<b>Foundation for Surgery</b>		
<b>Title:</b>	<b>Funds Raised and Allocated to Indigenous Corpus</b>		

## 1. PURPOSE AND SCOPE

These Terms of Reference define the use of the funds raised by the Foundation for Surgery for Indigenous Health purposes.

## 2. KEYWORDS

Terms of Reference, Foundation, Foundation for Surgery, Indigenous Health, Corpus

## 3. BODY OF POLICY

### 3.1. Background

RACS Indigenous Health manages all programs and activities related to RACS Council and Indigenous Health Committee approved programs in Australia and Aotearoa New Zealand. Indigenous Health receives funding from The Foundation for Surgery (Foundation) to support the implementation of its philanthropic associated programs and activities.

The Foundation raises funds for Indigenous and Māori Health via campaigns and other donations received throughout the year.

The Foundation currently raises funds for Indigenous Health programs and activities through directed campaigns, general-purpose campaigns, donor-initiated donations with a wish to be used in Indigenous Health, and on occasion via a bequest.

The donations received through campaigns and donor-initiated have Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) status.

### 3.2. Purpose of the general-purpose donations for Indigenous Health

- Upon receipt of directed campaign funds, these are allocated to the relevant cost centre for use in that program.
- The general-purpose donations wished to be used for Indigenous Health programs are for supporting Indigenous and Māori Health philanthropic programs and activities that meet the Indigenous Health and RACS's strategic plan in Australia and Aotearoa New Zealand. Every endeavour is made to use the donations as per the donors wished. If this cannot occur, the funds will be used in similar programs or activities.

### 3.3. Allocation and use of funds

- a. Funds raised from directed campaigns and allocated into the relevant cost centre can be used as necessary by Indigenous Health.
- b. Liaison and notification with Indigenous Health are required from both the Foundation and RACS Finance to ensure the relevant Indigenous Health Cost Centre is selected for allocation.
- c. Indigenous Health may access these funds without seeking approval from the Foundation for Surgery on condition that the purpose meets the above-mentioned **3.2 Purpose of funds**. Access and use of the funds are in accordance with RACS' Delegated Authority Policy.
- d. As directed by the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission these funds must be used in a timely fashion.
- e. Financial sustainability must be considered when using these funds.

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- f. Use of the funds will be as instructed by the Chair of the Indigenous Health Committee and/or the Manager responsible for Indigenous Health. This may include operational costs including staff responsible for delivering Indigenous Health activities.
- g. If insufficient funds are raised throughout a year, the Indigenous Health Committee may submit a funding proposal to the Foundation for Surgery seeking additional funding support through its funding proposal process.
- h. Financial sustainability and longevity of the corpus must be considered when using these funds.

### 3.4 Reporting requirements

- Reports are to be provided to each Foundation for Surgery Committee meeting outlining what funds have been used for, what has been achieved and when a project has closed.
- If the Foundation for Surgery Committee deems that the activity or program did not meet the funding proposal criteria and is not philanthropic in nature, the Foundation for Surgery Committee reserves the right to request the funds back.

**Approver**      Foundation for Surgery Committee  
**Authoriser**      Council