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Topic: Health Peak and Advisory Bodies Programme: Australian Women's Health Network and Arthritis Australia

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Question:

I understand there has been a decision not to fund the Women's Health Network and Arthritis Australia.

Answer:

The Australian Women's Health Network and the Arthritis Foundation of Australia both submitted applications for funding under the open competitive tender process for the Health Peak and Advisory Bodies programme, which were subsequently assessed in accordance with best practice against the following criteria:

- eligibility for funding;
- alignment of the organisation's objectives with those of the programme and the Australian Government's health agenda;
- the organisation's capacity to contribute to the objectives of the programme
- the organisation's risk management plan;
- an outline of programme activities that the organisation will deliver and the expected outcomes of the grant funding; and
- the organisation's proposed budget.

Both applications were deemed as not suitable for funding.

The Department of Health advised the two organisations of the outcomes of their applications on 20 November 2015.