

# **Call for Research Grant Applications**

**Closing date: 11 September 2004**

Applications are now invited to the following funds administered by the Health, Welfare and Food Bureau: -

***Research Fund for the Control of Infectious Diseases (RFCID)***  
***Health and Health Services Research Fund (HHSRF)***

## **Mission**

### ***RFCID***

To encourage, facilitate and support research on the prevention, treatment and control of infectious diseases, in particular emerging infectious diseases.

### ***HHSRF***

To maximise population health and improve the quality of life, and enhance the standard and cost-effectiveness of the health system through the generation of new knowledge in the areas of human health and health services.

## **Scope of Research Projects**

### ***RFCID***

Research relevant to the control of infectious diseases in the areas of aetiology, epidemiology and public health, basic research, clinical and health services research.

### ***HHSRF***

Research in the areas of public health, health services and Chinese medicine. Funding preference is given to research projects relevant to cancer, health care system, healthy living, and mental health.

## **Assessment Criteria**

All applications will be subject to a two-tiered peer review process, first by the Referee Panel and second by the Grant Review Board. Scientific merit, local relevance, research capacity of the administering institution, track records of applicants, "value for money" of the proposals and research ethics will be taken into consideration.

## **Application**

Guidance notes and application forms can be downloaded at <http://www.hwfb.gov.hk/grants> or obtained from:

Research Fund Secretariat  
Health, Welfare and Food Bureau  
18/F., Murray Building  
Garden Road, Central, Hong Kong

Completed application forms should reach the Research Fund Secretariat **on or before 11 September 2004.**

**Announcement of results:** January 2005

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