### **The Bob Johnson & Jenny Llanos Clinical Research Fellowship**

**Applications close Friday 4th August 2023**

### **OVERVIEW OF THE Bob Johnson & Jenny Llanos Clinical Research Fellowship**

This Fellowship has been made possible by a bequest to Charlies Foundation for Research from Bob Johnson, in memory of his partner Jenny Llanos.

Bob Johnson and Jenny Llanos both had very strong connections to the healthcare industry, with Jenny being a nurse for many years in WA and London. They lived a happy life together and were described as inseparable.

Jenny had suffered a lengthy battle with emphysema in her later years and, after being admitted to Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital (SCGH), it was suggested she have a lung transplant.

Jenny’s operation allowed her and Bob to have a further 12 years together and throughout that 12-year period, Jenny still remained in contact with the staff at SCGH through regular check-ups.

After Jenny’s passing in 2005, Bob wrote a letter to SCGH expressing his sincere gratitude for the treatment of Jenny and himself by the doctors and nurses there, and thus decided to make Charlies Foundation for Research the sole beneficiary to his estate. Sadly, Bob passed away in 2019 after a short battle with illness.

Bob and Jenny’s goal was to ensure people living with respiratory issues can have hope that new treatments will allow them to also spend longer with their loved ones. In 2022, Charlies Foundation for Research, the Institute for Respiratory Health and the University of Western Australia (UWA) came together to set up the Fellowship Program.

### **The FELLOWSHIP**

The Bob Johnson & Jenny Llanos Clinical Research Fellowship uses funds bequeathed to the Charlies Foundation for Research in partnership with the Centre for Respiratory Health at the University of Western Australia. It is designed to expand the respiratory health research program within SCGH; attract and support leading clinicians with the potential to build a clinical academic career. The Fellowship funds will enable the selected candidate to concentrate a significant portion of their time on developing their academic career. This may be achieved by using the funds awarded to either buyout clinical time or employ research staff, separately or in combination.

The Fellow will be required to establish an independent program of research in respiratory health, under the supervision of a leading Professor nominated by Centre for Respiratory Health, aligned with the research interests and clinical expertise of the recipient.

The following conditions apply to the Fellowship:

1. The Fellowship is open to Respiratory Clinicians joining or recently appointed to the Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital who are suitably qualified to undertake an academic research role in respiratory health.
2. Funding will be $120,000 per annum over three years, commencing 2023.
3. The Fellow will be required to apply for further funding in support of their research program within the first two years of the appointment.
4. The Institute for Respiratory Health will coordinate the award and the annual review of the Fellow’s progress for the duration of the Fellowship on behalf of Charlies Foundation for Research and UWA.
5. The Fellowship will not provide any relocation funds as this is the responsibility of the employing entity, namely, the WA Department of Health
6. A Fellow will be selected based on their research experience, their research program and the capacity of this program to enhance the academic standing of the SCGH Department of Respiratory Medicine and Institute for Respiratory Health
7. The Fellow will provide an annual written report for the donor to be submitted by the end of Q1 following each year of funding, or other such date as agreed once the commencement date of the Fellow is confirmed. The Fellow should also meet with Charlies Foundation for Research at least annually to communicate their progress.
8. The Fellowship will not be made available until the successful candidate has signed an employment contract with the Department of Health, has taken up the substantive clinical position in Perth WA and has activated their adjunct position within the Centre for Respiratory Health, UWA.
9. The Fellow will be encouraged and supported to maintain an active program of community and scientific engagement, including:
* Presenting at research or public health seminars hosted by Charlies Foundation for Research, the Institute for Respiratory Health, UWA or other relevant community partners.
* Participating in national and international research seminars.
* Writing consumer or general public focused articles for Charlies Foundation for Research, the Institute for Respiratory Health or UWA publications.

### **SELECTION COMMITTEE**

The Selection Committee will comprise Emeritus Professor Geoff Stewart, Institute for Respiratory Health (Chair); Sue Davis, Charlies Foundation for Research; Professor Fraser Brims, Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital; Professor Gary Lee, Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital; and a representative from The University of Western Australia.

**How to apply**

* Complete the enclosed application form.
* Applications must be lodged electronically (pdf version).
* The application should completed using Calibri 11-point font.
* Each page of the application, including the title page, should be sequentially numbered.
* Include only the most relevant information.
* Applications must be submitted by Friday 4th August 2023.

### **FOR MORE INFORMATION**

For any further queries, please contact Sarah at sarah.cermak@resphealth.uwa.edu.au.

### **The Bob Johnson & Jenny Llanos Clinical Research Fellowship Application form**

**1. APPLICANT DETAILS**

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**2. FELLOWSHIP DETAILS**

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| Proposed start date | Proposed end date |
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| Additional information regarding timing and duration (if relevant) |
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**3. FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM**

1. Please provide a summary statement (up to 3,000 characters) outlining your current research program

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1. Please provide a summary description (up to 5,000 characters) of the proposed research program and how the Fellowship will further your independent clinical research career. In addition, describe how it will enhance the academic reputation of the Department of Respiratory Medicine at SCGH.

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iii) Please provide a description (up to 3,000 characters) of how the funds awarded will be used to support the proposed research program described above and timeline of activities and anticipated outcomes.

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**4. SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION**

Please attach an abridged CV (no more than five pages). If you have an online profile, please include the URL with your CV.

**5. DECLARATION**

I, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (insert name) confirm that the information provided in this application is true and correct. I have read the conditions of the Bob Johnson & Jenny Llanos Clinical Research Fellowship and agree to be bound by them should my application be successful.

In particular, I confirm that should my application be successful, I will agree to publicly acknowledge the support provided by Charlies Foundation for Research, the Institute for Respiratory Health and UWA in any publications or presentations arising from the research work.

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| **Applicants name** | **Applicant’s Signature** | **Date** |
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Please send your application electronically to:

The Chairperson

Bob Johnson & Jenny Llanos Clinical Research Fellowship Selection Committee

sarah.cermak@resphealth.uwa.edu.au

***Applications close Friday 4th August 2023. Late or incomplete applications will not be accepted.***