

BEYOND THE BEANIE



ABOUT FIGHTMND

Motor Neurone Disease (MND) is a Beast.

Founded in 2014, FightMND was established with the purpose of finding effective treatments and ultimately a cure for MND.

FightMND is one of the world's largest independent global funders of MND research, including new drug development and clinical trials.

IT TAKES PEOPLE

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING FIGHTMND!

Whether you have just bought a Beanie or you are part of the FightMND family, we are humbled by your contribution and want to share some of the real-world impact we have made together in the fight against MND over the past 10 years.

MND takes people - it takes the ability to move, it takes people away from their families and ultimately takes a life, all within an average of 27 months.

It also takes people to find a cure. It takes scientists who dedicate their careers to researching this disease, it takes the courage of people living with MND to fight on every day and it takes everyone to buy a Beanie or donate to our cause!



MEANINGFUL CHANGE

We say that we are making meaningful change in the fight against MND.
But what does this actually mean?



GROUNDBREAKING CHANGE

Finding a treatment or cure is only possible through careful, rigorous research. This takes time and investment. We fund the best scientists from around the world to conduct research on MND. To properly tackle such a relentless disease, the process can be slow, but the outcomes are accelerating progress in this fight.

We wanted to share with you some of the most exciting developments to date:

600+

Australians have had access to clinical trials through FightMND-funded projects

\$85.3M

The amount we have donated in MND research since 2014

15

clinical trials across 10 sites in Australia

30

drugs in the drug development pipeline

FightMND is enabling MND research in Australia to be competitive and world-leading in driving a pathway to a better treatment and cure for MND.

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potential treatments developing through to clinical trials

2

further potential therapies set to commence clinical trials for MND later in 2024.

SNAPSHOT OF FIGHTMND OVERALL DONATIONS TO RESEARCH

\$85.34M

COMMITTED TO RESEARCH INITIATIVES



\$19.50M

15 new clinical trials



\$26.76M

30 drug developments



\$11.17M

43 IMPACT grants



\$6.51M

7 MND discovery research projects



\$4.53M

World-first drug screening platform

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HOPE COMES IN TWO STATES – PRESENT HOPE AND FUTURE HOPE. RESEARCH GIVES US **HOPE FOR A CURE** FOR THE FUTURE. I KNOW THAT I WILL NOT SEE A CURE IN MY TIME. BUT I SEE MYSELF AND MY INVOLVEMENT AS A SEED THAT IS PLANTED IN THE SOIL OF RESEARCH SO OTHERS DON'T NEED TO GO THROUGH WHAT I AM GOING THROUGH.

- Phil Camden, diagnosed in 2013.

IMPROVING THE LIVES OF THOSE WITH MND IN AUSTRALIA

While we search for an effective treatment or cure, FightMND is supporting the MND community in Australia.

We do this by investing in initiatives to improve the lives of people living with MND in Australia. This investment focuses on **three strategic priorities**:

EVIDENCE

Investing \$1.5 million in a program of care-focused research to inform the appropriate care for people living with MND.

STANDARDS

Investing \$2 million in the development of national standards and guidelines for MND care. Unlike other diseases, Australia does not currently have guidelines which ensures people living with MND can access Care that is consistent no matter where they are in the country.

SUPPORT

Investing more than \$10.5 million in targeted support for people impacted by MND.

FIGHTMND'S INVESTMENT INTO CARE SUPPORT INCLUDES:



The development of educational resources



Capacity building



Assistive equipment for MND Australia and State associations

“Our equipment loan library ensures that people can access the equipment they need quickly and efficiently – utilising as many pieces of equipment as they need to ensure that they can stay at home and access their community safely – and that those providing care can also do this safely.”

- Kate Johnson, CEO,
MND Victoria



“The FightMND Care Support Grants have allowed the team at the National Centre for Childhood Grief to provide specialist counselling and care for 10 families impacted by MND. The NCCG advocates for providing children with truth and inclusion at these times of intense grief, so are ready to assist parents with having the difficult discussions with their children and help them all come to terms with what an MND diagnosis means, and provide ongoing support throughout their journey of grief”.

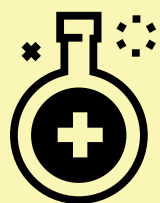
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Childhood Grief (NCCG)



THE FIGHT IS NOT OVER

We are so proud of all we have achieved together, but there's more to do. For 10 years our supporters' funding has helped build a solid research foundation. We're now at basecamp, but we still need your help to get to the summit.

WE NEED YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT TO HELP:



Find an effective treatment or cure for MND



Improve the quality, accessibility and consistency of care for people impacted by MND



Boost awareness of MND.

Your continued support helps us to continue accelerating progress towards finally beating the Beast that is MND.

THANK YOU FOR BEING PART OF THE JOURNEY.

Together we are making a difference and making progress towards a world free from MND.



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