# FightMND travel grant – 2025 Application form

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| **Name:** |  |
| **Email:** |  |
| **Phone:** |  |
| **Address:**  |  |
| **Do you identify as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander?** | Yes  No Do not wish to say |
| **What cultural background or ethnicity do you identify with?** | NoneAustralianEnglishIrishScottish | ChineseItalianIndianGermanGreek | VietnameseOther (please specify)Prefer not to say |
| **Are you a member of the Lived Experience Network (LEN)?**  | Yes  No Unsure |
| **Have you attended other similar conferences, locally or internationally?**  | Yes  No Unsure |
| **Are you:**Person Living with MND Current CarerFormer Carer Genetic Carrier |
| **If you are attending PACTALS in person, and have been diagnosed with MND:** |
| **Are you intending to fly to Melbourne to attend?**  | Yes  No Unsure |
| *Please note that evidence of medical clearance to fly by a neurologist must be provided to FightMND within 14 days of submitting this application, otherwise this application will not be considered*  |
| **Are you travelling with a carer or family member:**  | Yes No |

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| **PACTALS is a traditional scientific symposium featuring technical presentations on ALS research, and the MND Care conference will feature new innovations and current best-practice in MND care. To ensure that applicants can get the most out of the conference, and have the drive and will to provide input and participate in future MND care and research activities, the below questions are text heavy.** **Dot points are encouraged.**  |
| **In 200 words or less, please describe any relevant education or work experience related to research, care or advocacy (This experience does not need to be specific to MND, healthcare or disability).**  |
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| **In 200 words or less, please describe your interest and passion in MND care, research and advocacy.**  |
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| **In 200 words or less, how will you contribute to the Australian MND research and care community post conference** |
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| **Are there specific topics that are of interest to you?**  |
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| Causes of the disease |  |
| Early diagnosis / Biomarkers |  |
| Drug discovery |  |
| Clinical Trials |  |
| Genetics |  |
| Respiration and swallowing |  |
| Nutrition |  |
| General Clinical Care |  |
| Other (Please specify in box below):  |  |
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| **If you are a successful recipient of the FightMND Travel Grant:** 1. Applicants are eligible if they have registered for PACTALS and the MND Care Conference September 2025, and have lived experience of MND.
2. For a grant recipient diagnosed with MND and has a respiratory impairment, who is travelling via air, the grant will only be distributed if evidence of medical clearance by a relevant respiratory specialist.
3. Travel grant funds can only be used for flights, accommodation, insurance, and other relevant travel costs.
4. Funds will be reimbursed (not provided up-front), and on the provision of:
	1. Evidence of registration for PACTALS and MND Care conference
	2. Itemised list of costs and associated receipts for expenses incurred
		1. Costs that are deemed not relevant to travel will not be reimbursed at FightMND’s discretion.
	3. a minimum 1-page written report of their experience to be used for external communications

by the 10th of October, 2025. 1. The grant recipient agrees to participate in the release of details related to the grant to the media or donor communications, as reasonably required by FightMND.
2. FightMND is not liable for any injury, loss, or damage sustained, or suffered by persons who are sponsored by the travel grant.
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| Please sign here to acknowledge that you have read and understood the terms of the grants:  |

Application closing date: 1st August 2025

Please attach evidence of registration to PACTALS and MND Care conference, together with this form, and return to Dr. Min-Yin Yap at care@fightmnd.org.au. Further questions may also be directed to the same contact.