**Family Care Grants for**

**Australasian Cognitive Neuroscience Society 2019 Annual Meeting**

In order to support Australasian Cognitive Neuroscience Society (ACNS) members with significant family care responsibilities to attend the annual meeting, ACNS is introducing small family care grants (up to $600 per family) for ACNS members with dependents requiring care. These grants are intended to contribute towards financial need and to help offset the costs of wrap-around care at home accrued during meeting travel, or care for dependents at the meeting site. Grants are intended to assist members with additional financial needs incurred as a result of attending the ACNS meeting in 2019, not to cover routine care costs.

Awards will generally be offered as reimbursement of expenses that are supported by receipts. In the event that the number of requests for grants exceeds the funding available, preference will be given to applicants in earlier stages of their career or for whom attending this particular meeting is especially important for professional development (e.g., it is a critical point in career trajectory, or a student or post-doc is on the job market).

**Eligibility**

Any ACNS member with one or more dependents requiring childcare, elder care, or care due to disability is eligible for this grant.

* Grant recipients must be current members of the ACNS.
* Grant recipients must attend the 2019 ACNS meeting.
* Only one parent/caregiver for a single family may apply.

**Application Process**

Applicants must complete the brief application form by 31/08/2019. If you have questions about the grants or the application, please contact Olivia Carter (ocarter@unimelb.edu.au and please include "ACNS Family Care Grants" in the subject heading).

**Deliberation Process**

A maximum of three grants will be awarded in 2019. Members of the ACNS Executive Committee with representation from the ACNS Accessibility Subcommittee will review applications. All eligible applications will be considered.

**ACNS 2019 Family Care Grant Application**

\*A response is required to all entries below

Email address:

First and last name:

Institution or organisation name:

Career Stage (indicate one; exclusive of career interruptions):

🞏 Undergraduate student

🞏 Graduate student

🞏 Post-doctoral fellow

🞏 Early career researcher

🞏 Mid-career researcher

🞏 Senior researcher

Are you a current member (as of 31st of August 2019) of the ACNS?  **Yes / No**

By checking this box, you agree that you are the only parent/caregiver from your family applying for this grant.

 🞏 *I am the only parent/caregiver from my family applying for this grant*

By checking this box, you understand that, if you are to receive a grant, the funds will be dispersed to you in the form of a reimbursement for your family care needs after you register for and attend the 2019 ACNS meeting.

🞏 *I understand that if I receive a grant, the funds will be dispersed to me in the form of a reimbursement for my family care needs after I register for and attend the 2019 ACNS meeting.*

Please brief outline how the Family Care Grant help you be able to attend the 2019 ACNS and outline your reimbursable expenses (~150 words).

*[Please be as specific as possible (number of children, number of hours needed, type of care needed, estimated cost, etc.). Reimbursable expenses include: child care expenses at the site of the meeting; extra child/dependent care expenses at home incurred because the primary caregiver was attending the meeting (such as overtime at a child care center, cost of a sitter, etc.); or expenses incurred in bringing a caregiver and/or dependent. Receipts/invoices will be required for all expenses.]*