



- ◆ 76% said that the government should invest more in health and medical research
- ◆ 84% said that industry (ie pharmaceutical companies etc) should invest more in health research
- ◆ 72% said that they would be willing to participate in a clinical trial of a new medicine if they had a condition that it might be able to treat, but only 8% had done so
- ◆ 44% said that they were well informed about health and medical research in New Zealand

“New Zealand Speaks!” is produced annually by NZHR. It reports on polling undertaken by Kantar , New Zealand, and provides valuable insights which inform our lobbying and advocacy programme. Our fifth poll was conducted in May 2020.



Kiwi family Isabella Powell (back right) with sisters Maggie and Harriet and mum Alley. Demonstrating the life transforming impact of health research on living with Isabella’s cystic fibrosis.

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Photo: Malaghan Institute of Medical Research translational immunology researchers Olivier Gasser and Anna Mooney



Under-investment in health research

2.4% = NZHR recommended government health research investment target as a percentage of health services expenditure

0.67% = level of government health research investment 2021/22

0.50% = level at which government health research investment is forecast to flat line after 2025

1.2% = New Zealand's total investment in health research as a percentage of government and society costs of responding to ill health

36% = 5 year decline in the number of individuals who say they donate to health research

Health research saves lives

New Zealand is in the midst of a public health crisis.

Each year 6000 of us are dying unnecessarily before we reach a ripe old age, because our health system has failed to translate what we've learned from health research into policy and practice. And a further 7000 per year are dying prematurely because of failures to invest sufficiently in and undertake the research necessary for discovering effective treatments and cures.

Health research and innovation is the single most important way in which we improve our health and healthcare – by identifying and implementing the best means to prevent, diagnose and treat conditions. Without research there is no cure.

Who are we?

New Zealanders for Health Research is New Zealand's peak body representing the entire health and medical research pipeline. We are the only independent agency in New Zealand advocating and lobbying for increased government, industry and philanthropic investment in health and medical research

Modelled on highly successful sibling organisations in Australia, Canada, the USA and Sweden, we are a diverse alliance supported by universities, research institutions, industry, charities and patient advocacy groups.

Our leadership comprises our Board of highly respected individuals representing a cross section of commercial, academic, NGO and health research organisations, together with the CEO of Research Australia.

What do we do?

We are committed to bringing about best possible health for all New Zealanders, and we're on a mission to increase investment in health research as an essential and embedded component of all parts of New Zealand's health system, responsive to New Zealanders' unique health imperatives.

We believe that health research has the potential to both save and improve peoples' lives. We therefore advocate and lobby for the results of health research to be translated into policy, practice and individual decision making, and for there to be a level of investment in health research to enable this to happen as optimally as possible.

We do this by writing and presenting compelling solicited and unsolicited cases to government ministers, politicians of all persuasions, and officials, and by engaging with all opportunities to raise the profile and awareness of the critical importance of health research.

What could you do?

Join New Zealanders for Health Research and be a member of the alliance lobbying to make health research investment a key issue for government and government agencies, and for future general elections.



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Member Benefits

NZHR membership enhances your organisation's public reputation by publicly supporting a cause which fights for a brighter future for kiwis through increased investment in health and medical research

We have five classes of organisational membership including platinum, gold, silver, bronze and chrome. Benefits, which vary by membership class, include:

Lobbying and advocacy

- ◆ Peak body lobbying support for your organization's pan-sector issues
- ◆ Opportunity to benefit from increased investment in health research
- ◆ Opportunity to contribute to and have brand acknowledgement on NZHR advocacy and lobbying position papers

Influence NZHR

- ◆ Contribute to NZHR strategic and work plans
- ◆ Participation in NZHR governance including Board representation and general meeting voting rights

NZHR Kantar annual public opinion polls

- ◆ Request poll questions
- ◆ Customised poll data
- ◆ Free attendance at presentation events

NZHR communications

- ◆ Enhanced members only versions of newsletters and publications
- ◆ Contributions to newsletter and website content
- ◆ Newsletter, publication and website advertising, profiling and branding
- ◆ NZHR promotional collateral branding

Workshops and conferences

- ◆ Complementary registrations
- ◆ Speaker nominations
- ◆ Collateral and activity/event branding

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