

## MEDIA RELEASE

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### **New Flinders scholarship to help develop the Northern Territory health workforce**

Flinders University has established a new scholarship to support health students and grow the Northern Territory medical workforce, continuing the University's commitment to medical education in the region.

The [Flinders NT Health Scholarship](#) will support two Flinders NT students – enrolled in [Paramedicine](#), [Remote Health Practice](#) or [Medicine](#) – per year with \$5,000 each, with the aim to reduce inequity and allow them to achieve their studies to the best of their abilities - without the burden of financial pressures.

Demonstrating a commitment to the University's Reconciliation Action Plan, one scholarship per year will be awarded to an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander student.

The scholarship has been established by Professor Jonathan Craig, Vice President and Executive Dean of Flinders University's College of Medicine and Public Health, who says Flinders NT has a powerful vision to work in close partnership with local communities to develop a Northern Territory health workforce that prioritises its areas of greatest need.

"It has been such a privilege to work with so many wonderful students who are motivated by the desire to make a difference to the health of our community, through the transformative power of research and education," says Professor Craig.

"It is my vision that Flinders NT provides an example of evidence-based, culturally safe community care that sets an example for the rest of Australia."

During October, in celebration of the Northern Territory Medical Program's [10-year anniversary](#), Professor Craig has announced that all donations to the Flinders NT Health Scholarship will be doubled.

"To show my commitment, I will personally dollar match all donations during the month of October, up to \$25,000," says Professor Craig.

"Together with your support, we can ensure Flinders NT students can make a positive and long-term difference to the health of all Territorians."

Applications for the scholarship will open late 2021. For more information visit [www.flinders.edu.au/NThealthscholarship](http://www.flinders.edu.au/NThealthscholarship).

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