

**Summary of Health Consumer Organisations supported by Medicines Australia Member Companies**

**For the period: 1 January 2018 - 31 December 2018**

**Company:**

**Gilead Sciences Pty Ltd**

| Name of Health Consumer Organisation                       | Description of and/or purpose of support  | Nature of support (monetary value or equivalent) or description of non-financial support |
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| Hepatitis Australia  | <p>Hepatitis Australia is a central partner in the national response to viral hepatitis working in close partnership with eight state and territory hepatitis organisations as well as other organisations and individuals who share the same vision to end to hepatitis B and hepatitis C in Australia. Key components of their work are their national policy and advocacy, provision of community information and education and support for hepatitis service delivery.</p> <p>The Grant provided support in the co-ordination of World Hepatitis Day 2018 The objective of WHD 2018 was to engage people who may be missing out on care for hepatitis B and hepatitis C and to connect them to vaccination, testing, treatment and support to achieve improved health outcomes. Funding was utilised in consultant costs, design costs, meeting costs, non-print materials, print materials &amp; bulk mail, WHD website costs, WHD community grants, management.</p> | \$30,000   |
| National Association of people with HIV Australia (NAPWHA) | <p>The National Association of People with HIV Australia (NAPWHA) is Australia's peak non-government organisation representing community-based groups of people living with HIV (PLHIV)</p> <p>The Grant provided support to produce an edition of Positive Living Magazine. Positive Living is an e-magazine for people living with and affected by HIV, published quarterly, Positive Living is the positive voice for PLHIV in Australia with content devised and created by a collective of HIV positive experts.</p>   | \$10,000   |
| Rare Cancers Australia Ltd                                 | <p>Rare Cancers Australia Ltd (RCA) is a charity whose purpose is to improve the lives and health outcomes of Australians living with rare and less common (RLC) cancers.</p> <p>The Grant provided to the organisation supports 2018 Rare Cancer Projects. The purpose to lead a conversation about cancer within the community that will result in a better understanding of the entrenched bias of current systems against rare cancers and what might be done to address it. It is also to provide an evidence base that can be shared with health care professionals so they develop a more refined understanding of the registration and reimbursement systems currently operating in Australia and what is needed to ensure broader and fairer access.</p>   | \$10,000   |

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| Western Australia AIDS Council       | <p>The WA AIDS Council is a non-government organisation committed to the HIV response in Western Australia. Established in 1985, the Council leads the Western Australian community in the provision of a wide range of services in the prevention of HIV, sexually transmitted infections and blood borne viruses, and the treatment and care of people living with HIV and AIDS. The Council provides counseling, wellness, referral, general and financial assistance to people living with HIV; needle and syringe exchange programs; professional training and development for health sector workers and a range of support and prevention education services to target audiences at risk of HIV, sexually transmitted infections and blood borne virus transmissions.</p> <p>The Co-Sponsored Grant provides support towards the Treatment Forum which is an annual event that attracts approximately 120 clients and a number of professionals working in the HIV sector. Although the epidemic has changed over the years HIV research and medication, promoting a healthy lifestyle and challenging stigma are still at the forefront. The Treatment Forum is an important occasion in the PLHIV calendar as it is the main event in WA where HIV concerns are discussed by leading experts. The support provided assists with the program, hospitality, &amp; organisational newsletter that will provide information and key outcomes from the night to members, people with HIV and stakeholders in the WA community.</p> | \$2,600  |