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Fight Parkinson's™

Together we can

About Fight Parkinson's

Who we are

At Fight Parkinson's, our community is at the forefront of all we do. We believe that with strong sector coordination and leadership, and greater community and government support, we can realise better outcomes for people living with Parkinson's.

Over the last 40 years, we have greatly improved quality of life for people living with Parkinson's, including Young Onset Parkinson's, PSP, MSA, and CBS.

Our multi-disciplinary team provides specialist advice and support to people living with Parkinson's, their families, carers and health care professionals through:

- tailored health education programmes and seminars
- a free and confidential health information service
- comprehensive web-based information
- an extensive peer support group network

We are committed to raising funds to advance research that will deliver effective therapies, treatments and a cure, and empowering our community to live full and active lives until a cure is found.

Our vision

A world free of Parkinson's, and until a cure is found, for those living with Parkinson's to be empowered to live full and active lives.

Our mission

We will empower people living with Parkinson's to get the most out of life, to be their own advocate and to raise funds to support research in delivering effective therapies, treatments and a cure.

Our values

The Parkinson's community is at the heart of everything that we do. Our work is done with our heads and hearts entwined to make a positive difference to all those living with Parkinson's, PSP, MSA, and CBS. We know that our community and their experience of Parkinson's is unique, wide-ranging and ever-changing, and we seek to be inclusive of this diversity in all aspects of our work.

Our values are:

Community and inclusion

Knowledge and empowerment

Innovation and advancement

Courage and leadership

What is Parkinson's

Parkinson's is a complex, progressive neurological condition that affects an estimated 219,000 Australians, including 57,000 Victorians.

The most recognisable symptoms include slowness of movement, rigidity, tremor and postural changes.

Parkinson's is categorised by clinicians as a 'movement disorder' and many people with Parkinson's experience a variety of motor and non-motor symptoms. Non-motor symptoms such as pain, depression, and problems with memory and sleep can also occur and have an impact on the day-to-day life of the person with Parkinson's.

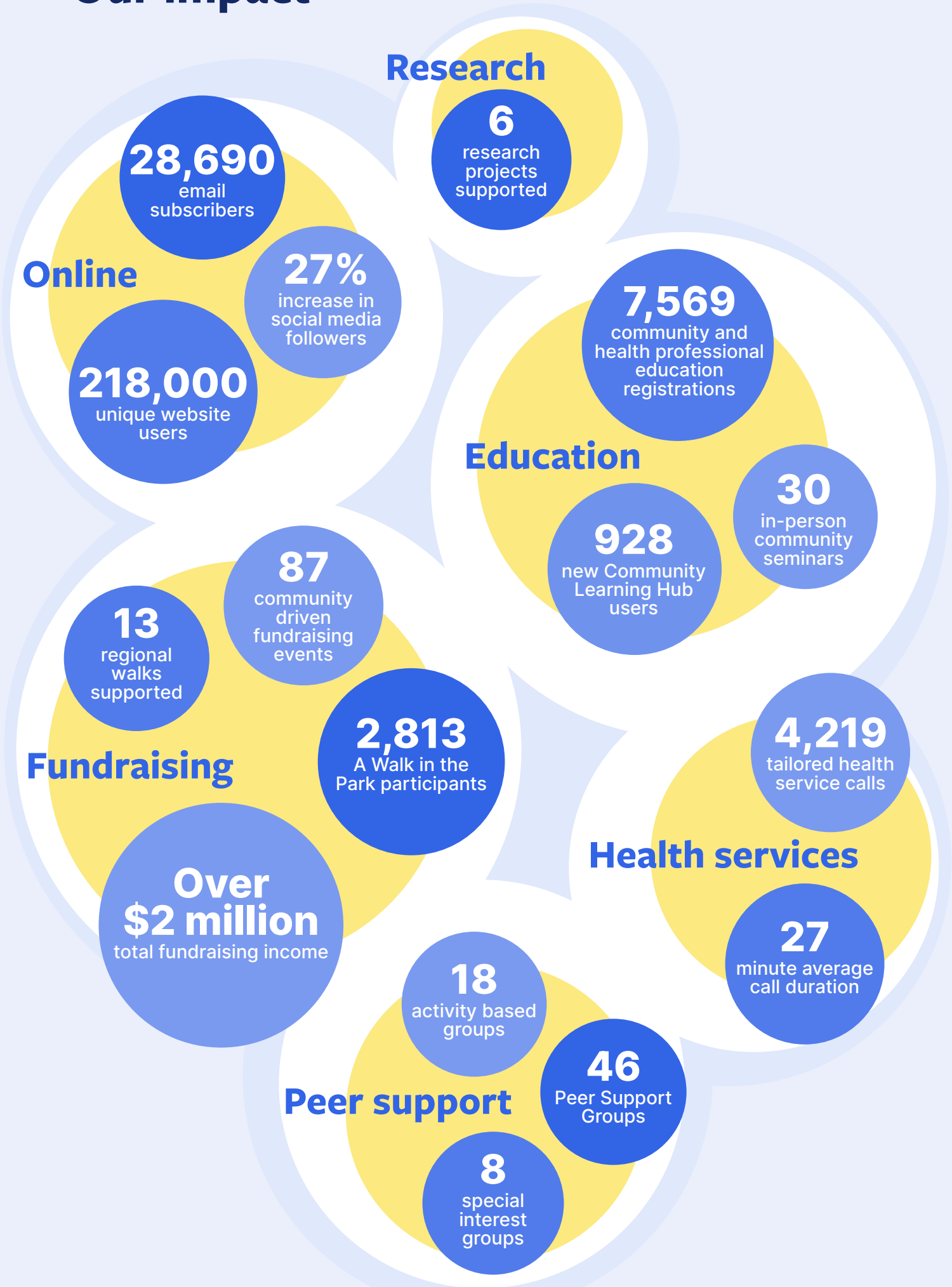
Medication and support from health care professionals can help and manage these symptoms, however there is currently no cure for Parkinson's.

Atypical Parkinson's

Fight Parkinson's is Australia's leading support organisation with a dedicated commitment to research, education, and support for people living with an Atypical Parkinson's. Clinically, conditions often defined as Atypical Parkinson's include Progressive Supranuclear Palsy (PSP), Multiple System Atrophy (MSA), and Corticobasal Syndrome (CBS).

These are rare conditions that initially present like Parkinson's but have different causes, symptoms, and rates of progression. It's not yet known what causes PSP, MSA, or CBS and there are currently no treatments to cure, prevent, or slow their progression. Treatments, therapies, and strategies are available, to help people manage their symptoms and to make the most of life with these conditions.

Our impact


Research
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research projects supported
Online
28,690
email subscribers
27%
increase in social media followers
218,000
unique website users
Education
7,569
community and health professional education registrations
928
new Community Learning Hub users
30
in-person community seminars
Fundraising
87
community driven fundraising events
13
regional walks supported
2,813
A Walk in the Park participants
Over $2 million
total fundraising income
Health services
4,219
tailored health service calls
27
minute average call duration
Peer support
18
activity based groups
46
Peer Support Groups
8
special interest groups

CEO and Chair Report


Fight Parkinson's CEO Emma Collin


Fight Parkinson's Chair Philip Thomas

Powered and inspired by our community, we continue to fight to improve the quality of life for people living with Parkinson's, PSP, MSA, and CBS.

This year has seen significant growth for us as we expand our advocacy efforts to champion the needs of our community, further establish our research agenda, and aligned with organisations across the globe in a united mission to realise possibilities for people living with Parkinson's.

We enter the next financial year in a strong position having embarked on ambitious projects focused on addressing community needs and expanded our offerings to the community, and health care professionals. With our community's steadfast dedication and shared purpose, we are well positioned to make even greater strides together to fight Parkinson's.

Collaboration and innovation for the future

The unique voices of the Parkinson's community inspire innovation in our work and requires strong and effective collaborative approach.

In FY2025 Fight Parkinson's developed on our existing relationships and created new ones, connecting with Parkinson's organisations and leaders both locally and international. It is only through collaboration that we can achieve our goals and continue to pursue a world free from Parkinson's.

Through our involvement with the **National Parkinson's Alliance** we took important steps towards Australian's living with Parkinson's contributing to the development of a **National Parkinson's Action Plan** a federally funded initiative. The plan is a coordinated national effort to deliver positive change by addressing the complex and growing challenges faced by people living with Parkinson's in Australia. In June 2025, consultation began with the Parkinson's community to uncover what the community needs from this plan. We thank those who took time to share their insights and experiences, allowing us to ensure the community's needs are at the core of this plan. The Alliance now moves to the next critical stage, taking the feedback and experiences from the community to shape a national plan.

While developing the plan takes time, Fight Parkinson's is working with the Parkinson's community day-to-day, to ensure they can live life positively.

Our bespoke education program - *Your Care, Your Choice* provided clarity to people living with Parkinson's and their families on the ever-changing health care, disability, and aged care systems. The program was built on community feedback to address knowledge gaps with comprehensive learning, vital to ensuring positive living. Fight Parkinson's were granted funding from the **National Disability Insurance Agency** to support the rollout of this education offering.

We have been pleased to work alongside our fellow **Neurological Alliance Australia** members to advocate to government for improved outcomes for people in Australia living with neurological conditions.

We have also continued our long-standing partnership with **The Florey Institute of Neuroscience and Mental Health**. By cohosting our annual Parkinson's Research Symposium, providing speakers and ongoing opportunities to collaborate, together we fight for a better future.

Additionally, Fight Parkinson's successfully secured two year funding from the **Victorian government** to support our continued running our free health information line. This funding is an acknowledgement of the important and unique role our services have in supporting the complex health needs of Victorians living with Parkinson's.

Partnering with the Davis Phinney Foundation, we are proudly adapting their *Every Victory Counts* publication for an Australian audience. This significant

international collaboration will produce an essential resource designed to better support people living with Parkinson's.

On the global stage we are proud to contribute to the **World Parkinson Congress** (WPC) to be held in Phoenix, USA in 2026. The WPC is a landmark event, bringing together thousands of Parkinson's experts and people with lived experience to share knowledge.

Research and development towards a cure

This year we were thrilled to support the successful Medical Research Future Fund grant application to translate the **ParkinsonNet** model of care into Australia. With successful adaptations of the model in Europe and America, this model not only provides better outcomes for people living with Parkinson's but creates collaboration between specialists when providing care. We look forward to the pilot beginning in FY2026, alongside the development of the National ParkinsonNet Centre, ready to provide best-practice care to people living with Parkinson's across the country.

In a timely response to Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority (VPVMA) review of paraquat, Fight Parkinson's made a public statement on the herbicide. Our commitment to the continuous development of evidence-based best practices ensures the community can trust that the information we provide is current and reliable. Based on the evidence and the actions of the international community, Fight Parkinson's supports a ban of paraquat in Australia. At the time of writing we still await the findings of a report undertaken by the Office of Chemical Safety at the request of the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority.

This year we were proud to award our inaugural **Seed Research Grant Program** offering funding support to two new research projects. The projects, one basic science and one clinical, were identified as being on the precipice of significant breakthrough for the Parkinson's community. These grants underpin Fight Parkinson's ongoing commitment to raise funds to support research focused on the prevention, improvement of life, and eventual cure for Parkinson's Disease, PSP, CBS, and MSA.

Moving forward for a better future

As we embark on our new **Strategic Plan 2026 – 2029** we look forward to expanding and improving the support we provide. You remain at the heart of everything we do and we extend our thanks to everyone who has contributed to our work this financial year.

We offer our heartfelt thanks to the Parkinson's community for their impactful contributions this year. Without your storytelling, experiences, and insights we could not continue to serve community in a meaningful way. Your contributions are the driving force behind Fight Parkinson's. We also extend our thanks to our Peer support group leaders, event volunteers, ambassadors, families, carers, and generous donors, your support empowers Fight Parkinson's to make a genuine difference in the lives of those affected by Parkinson's. Together we can continue this fight and raise the profile of Parkinson's and its impact

Our work to support people living with Parkinson's is driven first and foremost by the dedication and generosity of our community. Through your fundraising, advocacy, and awareness-raising efforts, you make a real difference every day. Strong community support is further complemented by the valued contributions of philanthropic trusts, corporate sponsors, and the Victorian Government, which partially funds our health services.

Philip Thomas
Chair

Emma Collin
Chief Executive Officer

Campaigns

Parkinson's Awareness Month

As part of Parkinson's Awareness Month, we shone a light on seven remarkable members of the Parkinson's community, whose journeys remind us that no two experiences of Parkinson's are the same.

The campaign amplified the real-life stories of the Parkinson's community and promoted information and online resources available to community. By sharing highs and lows of Parkinson's, and the reality of living with a chronic condition, our ambassadors were essential in reducing stigma and lifting public awareness of Parkinson's.

Through a targeted campaign, we reached thousands of people, showing the power of our personal stories.

We thank Kylie Christian, Carol Pritchard, Richard Grimmett, Tom Jambrich, Laura Power-Davies, Travis Bowes, and Sharon Blyth for sharing their stories during this important month.

Community is at the core of what we do, and by sharing community experiences we hope that others feel hope for the future and understand they are not alone.

Throughout the year, community members from across the country shared their stories in our quarterly member magazine InMotion and in the media. We extend our appreciation to each of you who helped demonstrate the impact of Parkinson's this year, by elevating understanding you helped build the kind of critical awareness that addresses stigma and ensures that Parkinson's is better understood in the community.

Paraquat

Parkinson's has been described as a global pandemic and as the fastest growing neurological condition. In September 2024, in response to the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority's (APVMA) chemical review of paraquat, Fight Parkinson's stated support for a ban of paraquat to mitigate risk to farmers and their families and the wider Australian community.

The APVMA is in the position to create change and prevent more people from paraquat exposure that may contribute to them developing Parkinson's.

A ban would be Australia's first preventative measure to reduce the risk of Parkinson's.

Fight Parkinson's led the charge on calling for government to address concerns on paraquat. We did what we could to ensure our community was well informed.

We extend our gratitude to the members of the Parkinson's community who shared their personal experiences of paraquat exposure and their views on the use of this chemical, and to Dr Wes Thevathasan for answering community questions in an Ask the Expert event.

We hope the APVMA will follow the lead of the countries who have placed a ban on paraquat use.

Health services

Fight Parkinson's Health Service offers a free, specialised multidisciplinary approach to managing Parkinson's and Atypical Parkinson's, that places people living with these conditions and their families at its core.

Through our multidisciplinary team, Fight Parkinson's provides personalised and health information to the Parkinson's community, filling critical gaps in the health system. Fight Parkinson's also offers secondary health consultation for health professionals supporting Parkinson's patients.

The Fight Parkinson's team combines evidence-based advice with clinical expertise, helping to increase knowledge, enhance self-management, guide support systems, and ultimately improve health outcomes. Our information services not only benefit the Parkinson's community but the broader health system by reducing pressure on hospitals, preventing emergencies, and minimising hospital stays.

The overwhelming impact of Fight Parkinson's health services on the community emphasises the continued need for funding and investment to meet community needs. This financial year a Victorian state government contribution assisted in funding our essential secondary health consultancy service. While we remain grateful for government contributions, 75 per cent of our funding for our health, education, and information services is from your generous donations and fundraising efforts.

Community programs

Your Care, Your Choice

In FY2025 Fight Parkinson's launched an innovative education program, Your Care, Your Choice, designed to give our community the knowledge and confidence to make informed decisions about their care.

During its first year Your Care, Your Choice was delivered to more than 630 community members in Geelong, Hamilton, Mildura, Swan Hill, and online to the Young Onset and Atypical Parkinson's community. More seminars delivering this program have already been planned for FY2026. The program will be rolled out over two calendar years, with plans to expand into an online resource, broadening its reach and ensuring accessibility for all in need.

Your Care, Your Choice aims to equip participants with the information and skills to advocate for themselves and access the services and supports available to them. The program covers key topics to help individuals with Parkinson's, PSP, MSA, and CBS and their carers understand how to engage effectively with health, age, and disability services and know their rights.

This innovative program upskills individuals and carers, especially those unable to access the NDIS, on navigating complex health, aged care, and community support systems.

An additional goal is to help individuals understand their rights and responsibilities when engaging with services and how to navigate feedback channels to improve services and their personal outcomes.

Fight Parkinson's is proudly delivering this project for the Peer Support and Capacity Building grant for the NDIS. Together we're ensuring that people with Parkinson's know what services and supports the system has to offer them on their journey.

Health services

Community seminars

Fight Parkinson's delivered 30 face-to-face community seminars in FY2025. These tailored events provide the Parkinson's community with essential access to accurate, up-to-date information on treatments, available support, and research.

These seminars, often held in regional areas, provide access to Parkinson's expertise in communities where specialist care may be limited. They are pivotal in educating the Parkinson's community about the condition, the benefits of multidisciplinary care, and Fight Parkinson's services and support, ensuring individuals feel empowered in their own care. These seminars are also a vital opportunity for community members to learn about local Peer Support Groups.

In response to increasing community demand, Fight Parkinson's delivered triple the number of community seminars in FY2025 as in the previous reporting period. In addition to delivering valuable engagement, these seminars are an important platform for community feedback, helping Fight Parkinson's to ensure our services are meeting their needs.

This year's offering led the Fight Parkinson's team across Victoria and Tasmania, including delivering seminars to Ballarat, Colac, Dingley/Moorabbin, Geelong, Gippsland, Melbourne, Mildura, Peninsula, Shepparton, Stonnington, Swan Hill, Warrnambool, West Melbourne, and the Wimmera.

A key part of these seminars is to hear from a local member of the Parkinson's community. We thank each person who shared their stories and experiences, helping those in their community to better understand the journey ahead.

Peer support programs

Peer support groups offer people the opportunity to learn more about living with Parkinson's and to enjoy the company of others who share similar experiences, situations, and challenges. In FY2025 Fight Parkinson's facilitated a network of 72 peer support groups. These groups provide regular opportunities for people whose lives are affected by Parkinson's to meet, share experiences, and foster long-term connections to others in the Parkinson's community.

Fight Parkinson's Peer Support Groups are supported extensively by the Fight Parkinson's Health team, who foster improved understanding of the condition and increasing capacity to self-manage symptoms and life changes.

Fight Parkinson's also facilitates the specialised groups that require clinical insight, including Deep Brain Stimulation, Infused Therapies and Atypical Parkinson's (PSP, MSA and CBS).

In FY2025 Fight Parkinson's supported 72 Peer Support Groups including:

46 Parkinson's peer support groups

8 special interest peer support groups

- Atypical Parkinson's
- Deep Brain Stimulation
- Infused Therapies
- Young Onset Parkinson's
- Carer Support

18 activity groups

- Painting for Parkinson's
- ParkinSong Groups
- Exercise based groups

In FY2025 Fight Parkinson's delivered 77 presentations to 1,685 peer support group participants across Victoria. These presentations are invaluable opportunities for the community to connect with Fight Parkinson's multidisciplinary health team, gain access to Parkinson's expertise and engage with our broader supports and services.

Young Onset Parkinson's

Fight Parkinson's is committed to providing tailored support for the Young Onset Parkinson's community, acknowledging their unique experiences and challenges.

To foster a supportive Young Onset Parkinson's community, Fight Parkinson's collaborates with community members to support two Young Onset Peer Support Groups. Being diagnosed with a progressive neurological condition at a young age presents unique challenges as individuals remain active and maintain responsibilities in their jobs, parenting, in their social lives, and in their community. These groups support the estimated one in five people diagnosed with Parkinson's before the age of 65.

In response to growing demand from this community, Fight Parkinson's alongside our Young@Park Peer Support Group, facilitated the Young Onset Parkinson's Conference held in Geelong in August 2024.

This free conference provided updates on the latest insights and practical strategies for managing Parkinson's while still young and of working age.

Preceding the event members of the Young Onset community were invited to share a meal together, fostering social connections with others with shared experiences.

We thank the specialists who shared their expertise at this event:

- Dr Luke Smith (neuropsychologist)
- Dr Sanjay Raghav (neurologist)
- Dr Michael Lazarou (neuroscientist)
- Amanda Spillare (social worker)
- Craige Parrish (lawyer, Maurice Blackburn)

The Young@Park Young Onset Parkinson's Conference was supported by a grant from the Victorian Government.

Throughout FY2025 Fight Parkinson's also ran specialised recently diagnosed and Ask the Expert seminars to address the different needs of the Young Onset community.

We extend our appreciation to Young@Park leader Sheenagh Bottrell for her extensive work support the Young Onset Parkinson's community and events.

Online Singing

Singing can strengthen speech, boost mood, and enhance overall wellbeing for people living with Parkinson's. It is no surprise that Fight Parkinson's Online Singing program is a highlight for many in our community. Online Singing is adapted from the Australian ParkinSong™ program, which incorporates exercises informed by speech and music therapy. This free online program offers participants a open singing session in which they can build confidence, reduce anxiety, and improve their overall wellbeing.

Atypical Parkinson's

Progressive Supranuclear Palsy (PSP), Multiple System Atrophy (MSA), and Corticobasal Syndrome (CBS) are distinct conditions, each with unique symptoms and needs. Collectively these conditions are referred to as Atypical Parkinson's.

Fight Parkinson's Atypical Parkinson's Peer Support Group has provided tailored support to the community. These bi-monthly online meetings allow individuals and families impacted by diagnoses of PSP, MSA, or CBS to access essential information, support and advice.

With assistance from the Fight Parkinson's multidisciplinary health team, the Atypical Parkinson's Peer Support Group ensures people have access to essential specialist information to help them navigate the complexities of these conditions.

In FY2025 Fight Parkinson's held our bi-annual Atypical Parkinson's Community Seminar. The event was tailored to providing support, information, and practical advice for those impacted by PSP, MSA, and CBS in a safe and accessible environment. Movement disorder specialists, researchers, and allied health professionals shared their invaluable insights with the community.

The seminar addressed the unique challenges faced by people living with Atypical Parkinson's conditions and connected them with others who share similar experiences. To ensure full accessibility for the community, 204 attendees had the choice of joining both in person and via live stream.

To support the ongoing provision of quality care for people living with PSP, MSA, and CBS, Fight Parkinson's simultaneously held a seminar for the health professionals who treat this community. By providing professional development opportunities, these professionals can knowledge share with their colleagues, improving the overall care available to the Atypical community. Fight Parkinson's was pleased to have 55 attend this opportunity for professional development.

Our special thanks to:

- Dr Niro Vijiaratnam (neurologist)
- Prof David Finkelstein (researcher)
- Dr Lucy Vivash (researcher)
- Dr Luke Smith (neuropsychologist)
- Fiona Walsh (speech pathologist)
- Natalie Delac (occupational therapist)
- Robyn Gardiner (physiotherapist)
- Dr Kelly Bertram (neurologist)

Health services

Health information

Fight Parkinson's free health information service offers thousands of people living with Parkinson's and their families the tailored information and advice they need to live positively with Parkinson's, PSP, MSA, and CBS.

The Fight Parkinson's Multidisciplinary team are experts in their field and use clinical expertise and evidence base information to provide support and advice.

Fight Parkinson's multidisciplinary health team is made up of:

- speech pathology,
- physiotherapy,
- occupational therapy, and
- movement disorder nurses.

Our free health information service provides anonymous, personalised care. During FY2025 the team answered 4,219 calls, spending an average of 27 mins on each call to provide support on individual needs and circumstances. As Parkinson's prevalence within the community continues to grow, so too does demand for these services.

Fight Parkinson's also offers free general Parkinson's related health information on our website and in downloadable resources. These resources are regularly updated and developed to address changing health information and community demand.

Education

Fight Parkinson's education offering supports community members and health care professionals in building their understanding of Parkinson's.

Throughout the 2024-25 financial year Fight Parkinson's delivered education programs via live webinars, in-person seminars, and our online Learning Hub.

Community feedback reinforces the purpose and value of the education program. Our commitment to keeping these community educational programs free ensures that everyone affected by Parkinson's can equally access accurate and evidenced- based learning.

In FY2025, Fight Parkinson's delivered education programs and seminars to over 7,000 community members and health care professionals.

Community learning hub

The Fight Parkinson's Community Learning Hub offers 24/7 access to nine learning programs to help people affected by Parkinson's better understand the condition and gain practical skills to advocate for themselves and others.

In FY2025 Fight Parkinson's added our ninth course to the Hub, Palliative Care and Parkinson's.

The programs on offer allow the community to learn in their own time and at their own pace. By offering education programs that suit specific needs, Fight Parkinson's is providing targeted support that empowers the community to navigate their Parkinson's journeys with confidence.

In FY2025, the Community Learning Hub continued to be an invaluable tool for the Parkinson's community. In FY2025 the Community Learning Hub had a 106% uplift in new users compared to the previous year.

Fight Parkinson's Community Learning Hub course offering includes:

- Carers and Parkinson's
- Exercise and Parkinson's
- Falls Prevention and Parkinson's
- LGBTQIA+ and Parkinson's
- The NDIS and Parkinson's: How to Apply
- Palliative Care and Parkinson's
- Recently Diagnosed Online Community Hub
- Understanding Parkinson's: An Introduction
- Women and Parkinson's

Recently diagnosed

Receiving a Parkinson's diagnosis is the start of a challenging journey for individuals and families. It can come with emotional tolls and concerns for the future, as well as many questions. Early support is crucial to developing an understanding of the condition and gaining the skills to access resources, care, and begin navigating life with Parkinson's.

In FY2025 Fight Parkinson's ran six Recently Diagnosed Seminars alongside our online learning portal, helping community gain practical skills for navigating a Parkinson's diagnosis. These free seminars, ran over two evenings, are a vital source of support for those recently diagnosed and their families. They provide a comprehensive introduction to Parkinson's covering topics such as symptoms and their management, treatment options, the importance of a multidisciplinary team, and practical tools to help live positively with Parkinson's.

During these sessions participants hear from a member of the Parkinson's community who shares their personal story of living with Parkinson's, offering valuable real-life insights. We extend our thanks to those who bravely shared their stories.

Education

Ask the Expert

Fight Parkinson's brings experts to our community as part of our Ask the Expert webinar series. In these sessions community members are given rare access to the knowledge of researchers, specialists, healthcare providers, and industry experts.

These experts provide critical updates and insights on symptom management, treatment options, and emerging research, and answering burning questions from the community.

In FY2025 Fight Parkinson's hosted 12 Ask the Expert sessions, with 1,043 registering to hear from experts on topics such as biomarkers and research, Deep Brain Simulation, advancements in care, and benefits of exercise in Parkinson's among others.

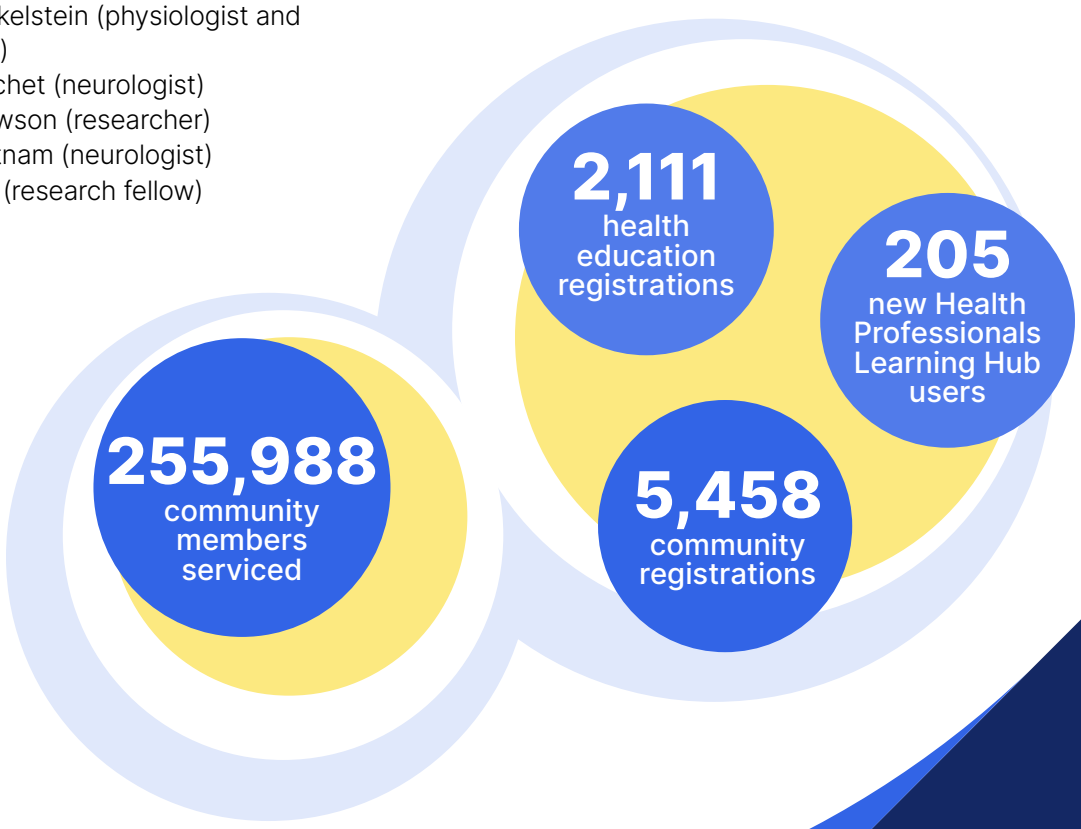
We appreciate the time and commitment of our experts:

- Dr Wesley Thevathasan (neurologist)
- Kathryn Humphreys (private wealth adviser)
- Dr Mícheál Ó Breasail (research fellow)
- Prof Meg Morris (physiotherapist and researcher)
- Prof Kevin Barnham (researcher)
- Prof David Finkelstein (physiologist and neurobiologist)
- Dr Katya Kotschet (neurologist)
- Prof Grant Dewson (researcher)
- Dr Niro Vijiaratnam (neurologist)
- Dr Dale Harris (research fellow)

Positive Life

Positive Life is Fight Parkinson's free webinar series providing practical education on living positively with Parkinson's. These one-hour sessions are co-facilitated by Fight Parkinson's health team and members of the community who share their own stories. Positive Life webinars focus on the daily challenges people living with Parkinson's face, enhancing understanding of treatments, therapies and pathways to living well, and offering accessible, relevant information tailored to the community's needs.

In the past 12 months Fight Parkinson's delivered 11 Positive Life sessions covering topics such as sex and intimacy, exercise, navigating My Aged Care, and travelling with Parkinson's. By addressing real-life community concerns these webinars integrate support and knowledge, helping community manage everyday situations more effectively and enhance their quality of life.



Professional development for healthcare professionals

Communities of Practice

At Fight Parkinson's, we believe collaboration drives better outcomes for people living with Parkinson's. That's why we collaborate with health professionals that support people living with Parkinson's by facilitating community of practice (CoP) groups for nursing and allied health professionals with an interest in movement disorders.

In FY2025 Fight Parkinson's facilitated CoP groups for physiotherapists and exercise physiologists, speech pathologists, occupational therapists, and movement disorder and neuroscience nurses.

These groups meet four times a year, bringing together clinicians from across Australia to share knowledge, network, support each other, and strengthen their practice in working with people living with Parkinson's, PSP, MSA and CBS. At the end of each calendar year the CoPs come together to focus on multi-disciplinary care. In late 2024 80 healthcare professionals came together for a combined CoP on the Management of Postural Hypotension, delivered by a cardiologist Dr Sue Corcoran.

Tailored health professional education

Fight Parkinson's knows the best outcomes come from building understanding of all people who care for people living with Parkinson's, including healthcare professionals. As such Fight Parkinson's endeavours to support the professional development of healthcare professionals with tailored education sessions.

These sessions delivered both online and in-person. In FY2025 Fight Parkinson's delivered 25 tailored professional development opportunities to 2,111 health professionals.

Health Professional Learning Hub

Over 200 health professionals undertook Fight Parkinson's courses tailored to provide better health outcomes for the Parkinson's community in FY2025. Courses include:

- Parkinson's Care for PCAs
- Parkinson's Care for RNs
- Advanced Parkinson's / Palliative Care
- Introduction to PSP.

Introduction to PSP is a new course that was made available to health professionals for free through a donation from the John and Peta Seymour Foundation.

Research

The ParkinsonNet team Dr Marlena Klaic, Professor Jenny McGinley, Professor Michele Callisaya, and Mr Victor McConvey OAM

ParkinsonNet

This year Fight Parkinson's was thrilled to announce a $815,000 community contribution to a total $3.7 million of funding towards bringing a ParkinsonNet model of care to Australia. Its integration will begin with a research project pilot in Western Victoria and Tasmania, with the intention to deliver a roadmap for a National ParkinsonNet Centre in the next five years.

The pilot reflects the steadfastness of the Australian Parkinson's community in advocating for improved care now and in the future and a commitment from Fight Parkinson's to delivering on research projects for and by people living with Parkinson's.

Funding for the project includes $2.88 million from the federal government's Medical Research Future Fund, awarded to a national team led by Professor Michele Callisaya from the University of Tasmania.

ParkinsonNet is a multidisciplinary model of care developed in the Netherlands with proven success across Europe and the United States to improve health outcomes, reduced disability, lower hospitalisation rates, and cut healthcare costs.

In a bid to improve outcomes for the 219,000 Australians living with Parkinson's, the pilot will upskill health professionals and strengthen visible networks to create improved health care access.

The journey to bring the program to Australia began in 2019 when its founder Professor Bas Bloem travelled to Melbourne and it became clear the model aligned with the desires of the local Parkinson's community.

Implementation will take time, and bringing ParkinsonNet into the Australian context will present new challenges – among them, low population density and health professional shortages in the regions.

ParkinsonNet brings together experts from the University of Tasmania, Fight Parkinson's, University of Melbourne, La Trobe University, Florey Institute of Neuroscience and Mental Health, University of Queensland, Deakin University and Radboud University in the Netherlands. Key partners also include Parkinson's Tasmania, Barwon Health, South West Healthcare, Western Alliance, the Tasmanian Health Service, the Australian Physiotherapy Association, Occupational Therapy Australia and Speech Pathology Australia.

Professor Michele Callisaya who lives with Parkinson's herself is Chief Investigator.

While a win for all Australians living with Parkinson's, the pilot will be of particular benefit to those living in regional areas who currently have reduced access to care.

The pilot will lead to a ready-to-implement roadmap and a National ParkinsonNet Centre, creating a legacy of improved care and support for all Australians living with Parkinson's.

Fight Parkinson's will lead training, mentoring, audit and feedback, and an online web-finder platform through the creation of the National ParkinsonNet Centre. The Centre will build a sustainable network of trained health professionals, ready to provide best-practice care to people living with Parkinson's across the country.

Seed research grants

Fight Parkinson's is proud to contribute to the advancement of research that aims to improve the lives of those living with Parkinson's. In November 2024 we announced our inaugural round of Seed Funding Grants, aimed at supporting innovative research in Parkinson's.

Claire Thwaites, Dr Melissa Tang and Professor Michele Callisaya accepted Fight Parkinson's inaugural clinical research seed grant.

Seed Funding Grants are available for both clinical and basic science research, with each category offering a grant of $30,000. These grants underpin Fight Parkinson's ongoing commitment to raise funds to support research focused on the prevention, improvement of life, and eventual cure for Parkinson's Disease, Progressive Supranuclear Palsy (PSP), Corticobasal Syndrome (CBS), and Multiple System Atrophy (MSA).

It is through the generosity of the Fight Parkinson's community that two researchers received grants to pursue promising new research towards early-stage ideas with potential for major breakthroughs. Two grants were awarded, one in clinical research and one in basic science.

It was the opinion of the judging panel, which included both local and international professionals, that these two projects could mark a turning point for the 219,000 Australians living with Parkinson's.

The basic science grant was awarded to Professor John Forsythe of Monash University and his team at, where they are exploring the potential of the brain to regenerate stem cells affected by Parkinson's. The research team, including Professor Mibel Aguilar, Professor David Finkelstein, and Dr Ketav Kulkarni, brings together deep expertise in neuroscience, biochemistry and therapeutic innovation. If successful, their findings could open the door to treatment strategies that don't just manage symptoms but address the root cause of neurodegeneration.

Professor Meg Morris of La Trobe University and her team were awarded $30,000 towards clinical research. Their project - Improving Wellbeing in Women with Lived Experience of Parkinson's Disease Using Community-Based Gym Exercises - will focus on the underrepresentation of women with lived experience of Parkinson's in clinical trials on exercise therapy. Excitingly, this project not only focuses on women with lived experience but features an entirely female research team. Professor Morris will be supported by Dr Melissa Tang, Professor Michele Callisaya, Associate Professor Joanne Kemp, Claire Thwaites, and Lauren Mitchell.

It is only through innovation that better therapies can be developed to ensure those living with Parkinson's live positively. The Seed Research Grant Program will continue annually, backing bold Australian ideas that bring us closer to better treatments, therapies — and ultimately, a cure.

Parkinson's Research Symposium

The 2025 Parkinson's Research Symposium, with the Florey Institute, marked a unique opportunity for the Parkinson's community to hear directly from experts on research updates from across the globe. The day-long event brought together clinicians, researchers, health care professionals and community members, making research accessible and understandable.

With 262 participants attending in person and online, the event gave the Parkinson's community a dedicated space to grow their understanding of the condition and find answers to their questions.

By simplifying complex scientific concepts and ideas, the experts who presented bridged the gap between research and lived experience. This collaborative approach fostered meaningful connections between community members and researchers, opening conversations on how research can address the most pressing needs of the community.

The success of the symposium highlights the importance of ongoing research and the benefits of developing relationships with community. Research offers hope and drives progress, ensuring that the Parkinson's community can continue to benefit from breakthroughs as they come.

Our sincere thanks to

- Dr Benzi Kluger (professor of neurology and medicine)
- Prof Michele Callisaya (researcher)
- Dr Arthur Thevathasan (neurologist)
- Prof David Finkelstein (researcher)
- Dr Melissa Tang (researcher)
- Dr Kishore Kumar (neurologist)
- Sheenagh Bottrell (Parkinson's community advocate)
- Thomas Ulmer (PKG Health)
- Ingrid Sturkenboom (OT, researcher, ParkinsonNet trainer)

Supporting clinical trials

Fight Parkinson's research committee reviews and endorses the promotion of appropriate clinical trials to the Parkinson's community. They are an essential step in reviewing the quality and ethics of clinical trials, and the potential benefits they may bring to the Parkinson's community.

In FY2025 we supported recruitment of the following trials:

- Enhancing Utility of Neuropsychological Evaluation for Earlier and Effective Diagnosis of Dementia in Parkinson's Disease (PD-Cognicare); Dr Daniel Bailey, University of Queensland
- Safety and effectiveness of frameless linac-based stereotactic radiosurgery on tremor in patients with essential tremor or Parkinson's disease; Kevin So, Icon Cancer Foundation
- Alexa! Improve my speech: Exploring Everyday use of Alexa as a Facilitator for Speech Improvement in Parkinson's; Dr. Roisin McNaney, Monash University
- Peripheral Stimulation for Parkinson's Disease Gait Impairments; Dr Anna Murphy, Monash Health

Collaboration and partnership

Victorian government

Fight Parkinson's sincerely appreciates the Victorian government's ongoing support for people living with Parkinson's.

In FY2025, Fight Parkinson's secured state funding towards our health services, helping our team to continue to meet the increasing demand for Parkinson's support. The funding of $341,370 helps Fight Parkinson's to continue to provide bespoke care to those affected by Parkinson's, MSA, PSA, and CBS. Our work is essential in improving the quality of life for those living with Parkinson's.

By continuing to partner with Fight Parkinson's, the Victorian government is acknowledging the increasing needs of the Parkinson's community. While we remain grateful for government contributions, 70 per cent of our funding for our health, education, and information services is from your generous donations and fundraising efforts.

National Parkinson's Alliance

After its formation in 2024, the National Parkinson's Alliance began development of the National Parkinson's Action Plan in FY2025.

As a founding member, Fight Parkinson's, alongside other member organisations from across the country, began community outreach to support the community consultation phase to support the development of the National Parkinson's Action Plan.

Developed with and for the community, the Plan will inform government policy reform, priorities, and investment necessary to deliver positive change for people living with Parkinson's in Australia.

The purpose of this Plan is to call for improvement in key areas including:

- reducing stigma for people living with Parkinson's
- improved education and capability of the health, disability and aged care workforce
- earlier detection and diagnosis of Parkinson's, including more empathetic delivery of diagnosis and referral and access of a multi-disciplinary team
- better access to, and co-ordination of, evidence-based healthcare, resources, supports and treatments
- improved prevention of Parkinson's
- better data on Parkinson's prevalence and monitoring of practice gaps
- new and improved treatments therapies, with greater access to clinical trials
- greater funding for research, including translation of current research into practice

To ensure the plan is fit for purpose, national consultation begun in June 2025.

Community members were invited to share their experiences, insights, and hopes for the plan through focus groups, online consultations, and surveys. By openly sharing your experiences, you - the community – are helping shape a plan that truly reflects the voices of our community.

The Plan will now move into the next critical stage, taking these responses and using them to shape the plan which will be delivered during FY2026.

Once complete, the Plan will reflect the collaborative efforts uniting the Parkinson's community, key stakeholders, organisations, and researchers from across Australia to drive meaningful change.

Davis Phinney Foundation (EVC)

Fight Parkinson's is proud to be working in partnership with the Davis Phinney Foundation, a leading US not-for-profit organisation dedicated to helping people with Parkinson's live well. Together, we are adapting the highly regarded Every Victory Counts manual for the Australian context.

Throughout FY2025, Fight Parkinson's has collaborated closely with community members and subject matter experts to ensure the resource reflects the unique experiences, needs, and voices of Australians living with Parkinson's.

Comprehensive and evidence-based, Every Victory Counts brings together insights from leading experts and people with lived experience of Parkinson's. It provides up-to-date information, practical strategies, and inspiration on key aspects of living well, including exercise, nutrition, emotional wellbeing, medication, and therapies.

Importantly, this project will provide free access to credible, comprehensive information for people who may have limited access to digital resources or specialist Parkinson's services — including those living in rural or remote areas. By making this trusted resource widely available, Fight Parkinson's and the Davis Phinney Foundation are helping ensure that every Australian affected by Parkinson's can access the knowledge and support they need to live well.

World Parkinson Congress

Fight Parkinson's is again proud to partner with the World Parkinson Congress (WPC) ahead of the 2026 meeting in Phoenix, USA.

Collaborating to shape the international Parkinson's agenda and deliver better outcomes and health access for people living with Parkinson's globally.

WPC provides a unique opportunity for people living with Parkinson's to meet with researchers and clinicians from around the world to explore cutting-edge science and clinical research and discuss advances in treatments designed to improve care and quality of life for people living with Parkinson's.

Parkinson's community advocate, Young@Park Peer Support Group leader, Fight Parkinson's Board member, and 2026 World Parkinson's Congress Australian Ambassador, Sheenagh Bottrell has been actively preparing for the event keeping the Australian Parkinson's community informed of everything it has to offer. As the sole Australian ambassador, she has been engaging extensively with the local Parkinson's community ahead of the Congress.

Fight Parkinson's Director of Health Services, Victor McConvey has spent much of the year in preparation for the event as a member of the steering committee and co-chair of the comprehensive care subcommittee.

With thousands expected to attend Phoenix in May 2026, we look forward to this essential knowledge sharing and community building opportunity. The global even allows for international relationship building and collective commitment to improving clinical management and equitable care and support for people living with Parkinson's.

Neurological Alliance Australia

As a member of the Neurological Alliance Australia (NAA) Fight Parkinson's has continued to support the Alliance's work through 2025.

Most significantly NAA petitioned for commitments from parties and candidates to addressed the unmet needs of people in Australia living with neurological or neuromuscular conditions in the lead up to the 2025 Federal Election.

Additionally, NAA wrote to government several times on the Senate inquiry on the Aged Care Bill 2024, the Department of Social Services consultation on Foundational Supports, and as a pre-budget submission ahead of the 2025-26 Budget being handed down.

By joining forces with the 34 other alliance members Fight Parkinson's hopes to increase our capacity to advocate for the Parkison's community nationally while working towards increased resources to improve outcomes for all Australians living with neurological conditions.

Community recognition

Recognition awards

The strength of the Parkinson's community is a testament to the many individuals who generously give their time and energy to it. Fight Parkison's annual award provide an opportunity to recognise the contribution of these individuals. They are presented following our Annual General Meeting in November.

Sir Zelman Cowen Award

In recognition of his decades of outstanding service to the Parkinson's community, John Eren received the 2024 Sir Zelman Cowen Award. John has been a Fight Parkinson's ambassador since 2020 when he courageously shared his diagnosis to raise awareness and amplify the voices of those living with Parkinson's while serving as a Member of the Victorian Parliament.

In that first year, John's advocacy was instrumental in securing a $150,000 Victorian Government donation to support the 2020 27forParkinson's campaign, and his leadership and connections have continued to foster crucial bipartisan support for Parkinson's advocacy. Since courageously stepping into the spotlight John has been a steadfast presence, inspiring and uniting people in the shared mission of supporting those affected by Parkinson's.

Harold Waldron Carers Award

Betty Suggett has been a member of the Parkinson's community since 2000, when her husband, the late Andrew Suggett OAM, was diagnosed. In her more than two decades in the community Betty has been dedicated to supporting and advocating for those affected by Parkinson's. She and Andrew were instrumental in the running of the Warrnambool Peer Support Group and the organising of the Warrnambool A Walk In The Park event.

With the support of outstanding individuals such as John and Betty, and the countless volunteers who give their time and energy that Fight Parkinson's can fulfil our mission – to improve the lives of people living with Parkinson's, PSP, MSA, and CBS through advocacy, research, and support.

2024 Volunteer Recognition Awards

Years of Service Awards

Continuous service of volunteers in an administrative, project or service capacity, particularly Peer Support Group coordination:

10 Year Service Award

Alan Collins
Barbara Phoenix
Fred Taylor
Helen Brunt (Moorabbin)
Damian Rann
Geoff Wilkinson
Kate Marshall

5 Year Service Award

David Rendell (Hamilton)
Jenni Mitchell
Robyn Phillips (Eltham)

Community Recognition Award

Awarded in recognition and thanks to people who have made a significant contribution to the Parkinson's community:

Amy Smith, Andrew Hicks, Andrew James, Andrew Lindsay, David Smith, Foundation Trust, Gregory Hicks, Jackie Unwin, Jeanette Branch, Jem Research Foundation, Jenny Stevenson, Julie Wardle, Leon and Mariena Argent, Libby Hicks, Libby Young, Lorena Bazzano, Matthew Pettman, Ass/Prof. Michele Callisaya, Mick de Graaf, Mimi Morgan, Pam Drake-Noden, Patty Mayne, Peter Brown, Rina Sawaya, Ron Keilar, Russell Joyce, Russell Wardle, Sean Anderson, Stephen Lake, Trevor Prasad, and Vicki Thomas.

Fundraising

A Walk in the Park 2025

A Walk in the Park continues to be an inspiring showcase of the Parkinson's community's strength in numbers.

Held during Parkinson's Awareness Month A Walk in the Park is an important display of unity by the Parkinson's community. Each year they come together to celebrate and support one another and raise vital funds for Fight Parkinson's.

Each person who participated had a personal, heartfelt reason for walking. Whether with friends and family, or part of a team, each participant played a role in raising Parkinson's awareness.

Across Victoria, as groups departed on their walks, they were a reminder for people living with Parkinson's that they are not alone.

A Walk in the Park's profile and Parkinson's awareness continues to grow thanks to our amazing ambassadors and regional organisers who champion our community.

Melbourne's A Walk in the Park drew close to 2,000 participants to Federation Square. Across the state 13 regional walks were held throughout the year, with almost 1,000 participants, marking our biggest regional participation to date. Thanks to the individuals and Peer Support Group volunteers who organised their local walk, the reach and impact of A Walk in the Park is growing.

A special thank you to the following A Walk in the Park organisers:

- Annie Hicks (Euroa)
- Cheryl Barnes (Mildura)
- Emily Carrolan and Kirsten George (Geelong)
- Hicks Family (Noosa)
- Leanne Torpy (Wodonga)
- Liz Morse (Warrnambool)
- Lynn Crawford (Hastings)
- Naomi Lettieri (Colac)
- Tom Jambrich (Eltham)
- Russell Wardle and Heather Green (Swan Hill)
- Shona Cross (Horsham)
- Trina Williams and Geoff Arthur (Moorabbin)
- Wendy and Barry Mathieson, Fran Dodd, and Jennie Wood (LaTrobe Valley)

A Walk in the Park

A Fight Parkinson's community event

Thanks to the community's collective efforts, A Walk in the Park raised $359,877. These funds are vital in improving the lives of individuals and families living with Parkinson's through supporting services, investing in research, and driving advocacy efforts. Thank you to all the organisers, volunteers, and participants who made A Walk in the Park 2025 such an impactful event.

Ambassadors

Eleven community members stepped up as A Walk in the Park ambassadors to share their personal stories to inspire others to join them for A Walk in the Park. A big thank you to Isa and Alan Adams, Sean Anderson, Sean Atkinson, Jeannette Branch, Peter Brown, Kylie Christian, Geoff Constable, Georgy and Annie Hicks, and Tom Jambrich for their awareness-raising efforts.

Top fundraisers

A special thank you to the 37 members of our $1K Club (individuals who raised over $1000) as well as the top individual fundraisers and teams for their exceptional contributions to A Walk in the Park 2024.

Top individuals

Isa Adams	$17,000
Sean Anderson	$8,509
David Smith	$7,497
Frank Halim	$6,000
Peter Brown	$5,488

Top teams

Hyxy's Team	$16,396
Young@Park Walkers	$14,765
Team Bassi	$12,883
Team Isa	$11,785
Team G-Train and Sticko	$11,191

Sponsors

Carer Gateway, Refresh, AbbVie, St John of God, Intogreat, Fisher Lane (in kind).

Fundraising

Appeals

Each year community generously supports Fight Parkinson's through our annual appeals. These appeals are essential fundraising opportunities for the organisation, allowing us to continue offering free support services and investing in research.

In FY2025 Cheryl Barnes and Uncle Andrew James Lovell generously shared their personal stories, drawing attention to the need to raise funds for Fight Parkinson's services and supports.

Cheryl Barnes shared with us her experiences of living with Parkinson's for the past two decades. She detailed the positive experiences she's had within the Parkinson's community and her passion for helping support others with Parkinson's in her local community.

Geelong resident Uncle Andrew James Lovell shared how Parkinson's has impacted him. He detailed the many adversities he has faced throughout his life and how his Parkinson's diagnosis has been his biggest challenge yet.

Fight Parkinson's is grateful to Cheryl and Uncle Andrew for their advocacy and to the community who generously raised a total of $230,710 in response.

Community fundraisers

Community fundraising continues to be a vital support to Fight Parkison's. During FY2025 community members collected a total of $136,128 through community fundraisers. More than 110 events were registered from trivia nights to fun runs and a myriad of events between, totalling over 1000 individual donations. Each fundraising event showcases the community's creativity and drive to bring people together for a common cause, making meaningful differences in the lives of those living with Parkinson's. Fight Parkinson's is grateful to every group and individual for their fundraising efforts, enabling us to advance research, provide essential services, and advocate for better care.

Gifts and wills

The generosity shown by the following individuals, organisations, trusts and foundations allows Fight Parkinson's to grow and evolve to improve outcomes for people living with Parkinson's, PSP, MSA and CBS. Fight Parkinson's received a total of 11 realised bequests totalling $1,105,232.

Bequests:

- Pamela Margery Rae
- Peter Harwood
- AnneMaree Foley
- Leslie Allen
- Delma May McCann
- Delysia Dawn Westwood
- Gladys Hannington
- Michael Gordon Curtis

Fight Parkinson's secured a total of $278,070 in Trust and Foundation funding support in FY2025.

Successful and returning foundations include:

- The G & I Meagher Charitable Trust
- JEM Research Foundation Trust
- Peta Seymour Foundation
- National Disability Insurance Agency
- The Wicking Trust – Equity Trustees
- AbbVie Pty Ltd
- Joe White Bequest Trust

Financial report for FY2025

Fight Parkinson's reported a surplus of $598,241 for the financial year 2025, driven by generous community support and investment income.

Significant bequests contributed to a net result that was $695,823 higher than last financial year.

Total income for the year was $3,316,798 with community contributions including donations, bequests and support from Trusts and Foundations accounting for 69% ($2.301 million) of the overall income. A Walk in the Park, our major fundraising and community awareness event, raised $259,084 in donations.

The Victorian State Government grant to support our multi-disciplinary health service was secured for $341,370.

Fight Parkinson's is committed to establishing a diversified revenue base, with portfolio investments serving as a key component of its diversification. This approach is designed to mitigate risk and support the company's long term financial strength. In FY2025, investments achieved a return of $564,335, comprising 17% of total income.

Channelling income to directly benefit our community, Fight Parkinson's invested in expanding our health team to be our largest ever, while also investing in research and program growth. Key research investments included research seeding grants and ParkinsonsNET, with significant funding committed for ParkinsonsNET in the coming years.

Fight Parkinson's closed the financial year with strong net assets of $5.382 million. The budget forecast for the next financial year is a surplus, supporting continued investment in community, research, and program growth while maintaining a strong financial position.

Fight Parkinson's Board

The board sets our strategic direction, providing leadership and guidance. Its members are committed to our mission of enabling people living with Parkinson's to lead active and full lives and to support development of more effective treatments, and a cure, for Parkinson's.

The board has four committees to ensure it satisfactorily discharges its responsibilities and duties: Research, Governance and Risk, Finance and Investment, and Consumer Engagement and Advisory Committee.

Philip Thomas
Board Chair

Member Governance and Risk Committee

M ComLaw, BBus, GradDip CSP, ASA, FCSA, FCIS, FFin

Appointed: June 2016

Professor David Finkelstein

Chair Research Committee

BSc, GradDip (Scientific Instrumentation), MSc, PhD

Appointed: May 2014

Jason Karametos

Chair Finance and Investment Committee

B Com/LLB (Hons), LLM

Appointed: April 2018

Professor Jennifer McGinley

Chair Governance and Risk Committee

Member Research Committee

BAppSci (Physiotherapy), GradDip (Neurosci), PhD, GAICD

Appointed: February 2021

Sheenagh Bottrell

Chair Consumer Engagement and Advisory Committee

Registered Nurse experience

Appointed: 17 August 2023

Peter Wylie

Member of Finance and Investment Committee

Member of Consumer Engagement and Advisory Committee

Cert Accounting, BBus, CPA

Appointed: 27 February 2025

Alecia Rathbone

Member of Finance and Investment Committee

BCom, GradCert (MgtNFP), FCPA, GAICD

Appointed: 21 September 2023

Resigned: 1 May 2025

Auditor's report

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT
TO THE MEMBERS OF PARKINSON'S VICTORIA LIMITED

Opinion

We have audited the financial report of Parkinson's Victoria Limited ("the Company"), which comprises the:

- Statement of Financial Position as at 30 June 2025;
- Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income;
- Statement of Changes in Equity;
- Statement of Cash Flows for the year then ended;
- Notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies; and
- Directors' Declaration.

In our opinion the financial report of Parkinson's Victoria Limited has been prepared in accordance with *Division 60 of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 (ACNC Act),* including:

(a) giving a true and fair view of the Company's financial position as at 30 June 2025 and of its performance and cash flows for the year ended on that date; and

(b) complying with accounting policies to the extent described in Note 1, and Division 60 the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulation 2022*.

Basis of Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the '*Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report'* section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's 'APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants'* (Including Independence Standards) (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Responsibilities of the Directors for the Financial Report

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to Note 1 to the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared for the purpose of fulfilling the Company's financial reporting responsibilities under the ACNC Act. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose.

Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT
TO THE MEMBERS OF PARKINSON'S VICTORIA LIMITED (Continued)

Directors' Responsibilities for the Financial Report

The Directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view and have determined that the basis of preparation described in Note 1 to the financial report is appropriate to meet the requirements of the ACNC Act, and for such internal control as the Directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of a financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the Directors are responsible for assessing the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

The Directors of the Company are responsible for overseeing the Company's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Directors.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the Directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Company to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the Group to express an opinion on the financial report. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the Company audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT
TO THE MEMBERS OF PARKINSON'S VICTORIA LIMITED (Continued)

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report (Continued)

We communicate with Directors of the Company regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide the Directors with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, actions taken to eliminate threats or safeguards applied.

Walker Wayland Advantage

WALKER WAYLAND ADVANTAGE AUDIT PARTNERSHIP
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

AWAIS UR REHMAN
PARTNER

Dated in Melbourne on this 21st day of October 2025

Financials

STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025	2025 $	2024 $
INCOME		
Revenue	2,680,063	1,882,641
Research Revenue	282,000	35,300
Government Grants	354,735	354,270
TOTAL INCOME	**3,316,798**	**2,272,211**
EXPENDITURE		
Employee Benefits Expense	(1,771,676)	(1,598,326)
Depreciation And Amortisation Expenses	(9,588)	(10,564)
Finance Costs	(20,432)	(15,078)
Research Grant Expenses	(70,000)	(10,000)
Other Operating Expenses	(846,861)	(735,824)
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	**(2,718,557)**	**(2,369,793)**
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR BEFORE INCOME TAX	**598,241**	**(97,582)**
Income tax expense	-	-
NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR	598,241	(97,582)
TOTAL OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR	-	-
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO MEMBERS OF THE COMPANY	**598,241**	**(97,582)**

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOW FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025	2025 $	2024 $
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Receipts from Donations, Bequests and Other Income	2,004,389	1,215,796
Research Receipts	282,000	35,300
Government Grant	354,735	354,270
Payments to Suppliers and Employees	(2,543,973)	(2,539,845)
Interest Received	6,857	6,878
NET CASH GENERATED FROM / (USED IN) OPERATING ACTIVITIES	**104,008**	**(927,601)**
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Purchase for Plant and Equipment	(6,593)	(5,733)
Purchase of financial assets	(6,067,916)	(1,083,605)
Proceeds from sale of investment	5,997,255	1,646,397
Withdrawal from Financial Assets	(200,000)	(700,000)
Dividend received	168,314	290,154
Net cash received / (spent) in Investment account	369,820	736,415
Management Fees for Financial Assets	(18,163)	(12,747)
NET CASH GENERATED FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	**242,717**	**870,881**
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES	-	-
NET CASH GENERATED FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES	-	-
Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash Held	346,725	(56,720)
Cash and Cash Equivalents at the Beginning of the Financial Year	736,175	792,895
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR	**1,082,900**	**736,175**

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2025	2025 $	2024 $
ASSETS		
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	1,082,900	736,175
Trade And Other Receivables	24,632	23,865
Other Current Assets	112,413	143,057
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	**1,219,945**	**903,097**
NON-CURRENT ASSETS		
Plant and Equipment	8,543	11,538
Financial Assets	4,606,692	4,262,424
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS	**4,615,235**	**4,273,962**
TOTAL ASSETS	**5,835,180**	**5,177,059**
LIABILITIES		
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Trade And Other Payables	223,394	191,897
Provisions for Employee Benefits	209,777	179,451
Revenue Received in Advance	-	6,815
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	**433,171**	**378,163**
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Provisions for Employee Benefits	20,208	15,336
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES	**20,208**	**15,336**
TOTAL LIABILITIES	**453,379**	**393,499**
NET ASSETS	**5,381,801**	**4,783,560**
MEMBERS' FUNDS		
Members' Funds	4,529,098	4,112,737
Research Fund Reserve	852,703	670,823
TOTAL MEMBERS' FUNDS	**5,381,801**	**4,783,560**

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025	Members' Funds $	Research Funds $	Total Members' Fund $
Balance as at 30 June 2023	**4,243,409**	**637,733**	**4,881,142**
Comprehensive income			
Deficit for the year	(97,582)	-	(97,582)
Other comprehensive income for the year	-	-	-
Total comprehensive income attributable to members of the Company	**(97,582)**	**-**	**(97,582)**
Transfer between Members' Funds and Research Funds	(33,090)	33,090	-
Balance as at 30 June 2024	**4,112,737**	**670,823**	**4,783,560**
Comprehensive income			
Surplus for the year	598,241	-	598,241
Other comprehensive income for the year	-	-	-
Total comprehensive income attributable to members of the Company	**598,241**	**-**	**598,241**
Transfer between Members' Funds and Research Funds	**(181,880)**	**181,880**	**-**
Balance as at 30 June 2025	**4,529,098**	**852,703**	**5,381,801**

How you can help

Give
Your donations mean we can continue to offer vital information and support services to those impacted by Parkinson's.

Leave a gift in your will
A gift in your will is a valuable way of helping to create a brighter future for people living with Parkinson's.

Fundraise
Get involved in one of our fundraising events or organise your own.

Partner with us
There are many ways we can work together to help more people with Parkinson's live their best life possible. Find out how your organisation can be part of our achievements.

Volunteer
There are many ways you can volunteer with us. Help with administrative tasks, share your professional skills or help at an event. Contact us for more information.

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