

Congratulations to Professor [Philayrath Phongsavan](#) from [Prevention Research Collaboration](#), Charles Perkins Centre and [Medicine and Health - University of Sydney](#), awarded \$4 million in funding under the [NSW Health](#) Prevention Research Support Program (PRSP).

PRSP funding is awarded to New South Wales research organisations to support prevention and early intervention research, collaborating with NSW Health and other services to translate research into policy and practice, enhancing the state's prevention research capacity.

The Prevention Research Collaboration leads Stream 1: Preventive Health – Obesity, diabetes and physical activity focusing on embedding a population health and preventive care approach to obesity and diabetes prevention and management, as well as focus on primary and secondary prevention approaches for adults and children to increase physical activity. The PRSP award advances the [University of Sydney](#)'s 2032 Strategy by working alongside government, policy partners and communities to address complex health problems.

Professor Phongsavan works with wide team of experts including members of the Charles Perkins Centre, Sydney Health Partners [Western Sydney Local Health District](#), [Nepean Blue Mountains Local Health District \(NBMLHD\)](#), [South Western Sydney Local Health District](#), [Sydney Local Health District](#), [Western NSW Local Health District](#), [Macquarie University](#), [University of Newcastle](#), [Institute for Musculoskeletal Health](#), as well as Ms [Candace Angelo](#), Professor [Louise Baur](#), Associate Professor [Josephine Chau](#), Dr [Katrina Champion](#), Professor [Melody Ding](#), Associate Professor Sam Hocking, Professor [David Lubans](#), Dr Gideon Meyerowitz-Katz, Associate Professor [Stephanie Partridge](#), Associate Professor [Louisa Peralta](#), Professor [Tim Shaw](#), Professor [Stephen twigg](#) and Dr [Kathryn Williams](#).



Congratulations to our Australian Systems Approaches to Physical Activity (ASAPa+) team for receiving the FMH Makers and Shapers Outstanding Research Team Award!

Embedded within the Prevention Research Collaboration (PRC) at the [Sydney School of Public Health](#), the ASAPa+ team of Prof [Melody Ding](#), Dr [Katherine Owen](#), Dr [Philip Clare](#), Dr [Binh Nguyen](#), Dr [Mengyun \(Susan\) Luo](#) and [Tracy Nau](#) is a standout group bridging research and policy. Their mission-oriented approach integrates government and community priorities with bold, systems-informed inquiry in physical activity research.

ASAPa+ has built a strong international reputation for physical activity research, with high-impact publications and global engagement. Their work delivers meaningful knowledge gains and practical insights for policymakers and practitioners, earning the trust of stakeholders that include [NSW Health](#), [WSYD Moving](#), and political leaders who see their systems work as directly informing efforts to promote and sustain physical activity for chronic disease prevention.

They're also a fun and friendly bunch to work with – and we're excited to share a behind-the-scenes team photo that captures just that!



Congrats to our Dr [Philip Clare](#), who is named as one of the CI's on a MRFF Alcohol and Other Drugs grant.

Philip will be a lead analyst working with Associate Professor [Amy Peacock](#) and UNSW colleagues on: 'The IMPACT (identifying Mental and Physical Alcohol access-related Consequences in Teens) Study: Reducing harm for Australia's young people'.

IMPACT is a collaboration which includes [Deakin University](#), [Curtin University](#), [La Trobe University](#), [University of Sydney](#), [Menzies School of Health Research](#), [University of Tasmania](#) and [University of Melbourne](#)

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