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Proposal Title: Support for McGrath Foundation

Cluster: Health

## General Government Sector Impacts

	2018-19 \$'000	2019-20 \$'000	2020-21 \$'000	2021-22 \$'000	4 year Total \$'000
Expenses (ex. depreciation)	-	100	100	100	300
Depreciation	-	-	-	-	-
Less: Offsets	-	100	100	100	300
Revenue	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Net Operating Balance:</b>	-	-	-	-	-

Capital Expenditure	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Offsets	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Net Capital Expenditure:</b>	-	-	-	-	-

<b>Net Lending/(Borrowing):</b>	-	-	-	-	-
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## Total State Sector Impacts

<b>Net Lending/(Borrowing):</b>	-	-	-	-	-
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## Notes and costing assumptions

This policy proposes to allocate \$3.7 million for grants to the McGrath Foundation to support the recruitment of up to six additional Breast Care nurses, as well as funding for professional development of existing nurses.

### Professional development

The policy also proposes to allocate \$100,000 per annum, not indexed, to the McGrath Foundation over three years from 1 July 2019 for professional development. The policy states that these costs will be met from within the existing resources of NSW Health, so there is no budget impact.

### Breast Care nurses

The policy proposes to allocate funding to the McGrath Foundation for an additional six Breast Care nurse full-time equivalents (FTEs) per annum over four years, from 1 July 2019. These nursing costs are based on a Clinical Nurse Consultant Year 2 position, which costs \$137,914 per FTE per annum (inclusive of on-costs and leave loading). This cost is escalated by 2.5% per annum over the forward estimates, based on the NSW Public Sector Wages Policy.

The PBO estimates the cost to be \$2.6 million over the forward estimates, and \$900,000 in 2022-23. However, funding for the additional nurses is excluded from this costing, as it will be delivered under a separate *5,000 Nurses and Midwives* policy. As the McGrath Foundation is a private, charitable organisation, the PBO has assumed, in both this costing and the *5,000 Nurses and Midwives* policy, that the funding for both the nurses and professional development will be paid as a capped grant from NSW Health.