# Ethan Davies Fellowship

**Guidelines for Applicants**

The Ethan Davies Fellowship creates an exciting opportunity to enable a paediatric brain cancer researcher to advance our understanding and knowledge in paediatric ependymoma.

**BACKGROUND**

The Ethan Davies Fellowship was established by Shannon and Christie- Lee Davies in recognition of their son Ethan, who suffered from paediatric ependymoma. The Fellowship aims to enhance the collaborative research strategy of the Telethon Kids Cancer Centre by providing support for “inbound” and “outbound” visiting Fellows, to undertake a body of work for a period of four to eight weeks, preferably research relevant to paediatric ependymoma. The overall aim of this Fellowship is for recipients to establish collaborative links with paediatric ependymoma researchers worldwide for the benefit of the Telethon Kids Cancer Centre and the international cancer research community.

**ELIGIBILITY**

**Outbound Fellows**

Outbound Fellows are those from the Telethon Kids Cancer Centre who wish to undertake a body of work for four to eight weeks within renowned research centres/ facilities outside of Western Australia. Researchers within the Centre who are involved in research directly or indirectly relevant to paediatric brain cancer are eligible to apply for the Outbound Fellowship.

Preference will be given to applicants who, regardless of their particular research interests, intend to undertake a program of work specifically relevant to paediatric ependymoma. Applicants who are not involved specifically in this research field but do intend to spend the Fellowship period at an institution where research into paediatric ependymoma is conducted are eligible to apply.

**Inbound Fellows**

Inbound Fellows are defined as researchers from outside Western Australia who wish to spend dedicated time at the Institute for a period of four to eight weeks to pursue their research interests in partnership with the Telethon Kids Cancer Centre. Inbound Fellows will be identified by the Centre as being excellent scientific collaborators involved in research directly or indirectly relevant to paediatric brain cancer and they will be invited to submit a fellowship application for consideration.

Preference will be given to applicants who have research interests relevant to paediatric ependymoma.

**FUNDING**

Fellowship recipients will receive up to AUD $25,000 for a period of no less than four weeks and not more than eight weeks. Fellowship funding is provided to support travel, accommodation, subsistence and research consumables.

The Fellowship must be undertaken within 12 months of award.

**APPLICATION PROCESS**

Applicants are required to complete the prescribed application form detailing the proposed budget expenditure.

**ASSESSMENT PROCESS**

Applications will be assessed by a panel comprising of at least three senior members of the Telethon Kids Cancer Centre, and at least two members of the Cancer Centre Consumer Reference Group. The panel will be convened and chaired by the Institute’s Associate Director of Research. The panel’s decision will be final and they may choose not to make an award depending on the merit of the applications.

Selection Criteria

Project

* Quality of the proposed project

Collaboration and Benefit

* How the fellowship will enhance collaborations with the Telethon Kids Cancer Centre?
* How the fellowship will benefit the applicant’s career in cancer research?

Expected Outcomes

* Significance of the expected outcomes
* Dissemination of findings

**REPORTING**

A final report must be submitted within 3 months of completion of the visit describing how their research has benefitted from the Fellowship.

**SUBMISSIONS**

Applications close **12.00** **pm, Monday 13th February 2017. Late applications will not be accepted.**

Applications should be sent to: awards@telethonkids.org.au

Queries should be directed to: awards@telethonkids.org.au

A copy of the applicants CV and a Letter of Support from the host institution must be included with the application form, combined as a single PDF file named EDF[Surname].pdf.