



## **Call for Proposals**

### **Key Dates**

*Expression of interest with outline proposal: 17:00BST, Friday 13 May 2022*

*Notification of outcome. Invitation to submit detailed proposal: Friday 10 June 2022*

*Submission of detailed proposal: 17:00BST, Friday 29 July 2022*

*Announcement of awards: Friday 26 August 2022*

### **Summary**

Following our successful calls for research proposals in 2020 and 2021 and the funding of four studies, the Elizabeth Casson Trust is releasing our annual research call for 2022.

Awards will be offered to individuals or groups of individuals for studies that meet the scope outlined below. Our driving intent is to support studies that will deliver clear value to the occupational therapy profession, and its service users and services. Studies that offer the potential for significant impact on practice and policy development and, where possible, those which include a health economics evaluation will be viewed more favourably.

Requests can be for projects ranging from £10,000 to £100,000 with an essential requirement for value for money to the Trust; applicants are therefore strongly advised to present competitive costings for their study. Studies should be completed within a maximum of 2 years.

### **Scope**

Proposals are expected to address a clearly defined area within occupational therapy that demonstrates *innovation*. However, priority will be given to applications that address one of the following themes: *a workforce for the future* (e.g. projects demonstrating advanced practice development), *occupational therapy in mental health*, *occupational therapy in social care*.

### **Research capacity building**

The Trust would like to support the career development of early researchers, practitioner/ clinical academics and post-doctoral occupational therapists and welcomes proposals that give consideration to this.

### **Research impact**

The Trust's overarching research intention is 'further development of the evidence base of occupational therapy in order to strengthen the understanding of the efficacy, utility and unique contribution of occupational therapy'<sup>1</sup>. Study proposals should address this aim through high quality research design and articulate potential impact.

### **How to apply**

Expressions of interest and an outline proposal (<https://bit.ly/OutlineProposal2022>) should be submitted to Pam Anderson at [secretary@elizabethcasson.org.uk](mailto:secretary@elizabethcasson.org.uk), copying Suzanne at [admin@elizabethcasson.org.uk](mailto:admin@elizabethcasson.org.uk), by the **call deadline of Friday 13 May 2022, 17:00BST**. Applicants successful at this stage will be invited to submit a detailed proposal (further dates noted above in Key Dates).

### **Contact**

Please contact Pam Anderson at [secretary@elizabethcasson.org.uk](mailto:secretary@elizabethcasson.org.uk) with queries about applying for this funding.

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<sup>1</sup> <https://elizabethcasson.org.uk/about-us/#operationalintentions>