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AAMRI welcomes expansion of Microsoft's Charity Program

The Association of Australian Medical Research Institutes (AAMRI) today welcomed changes to the eligibility criteria of Microsoft's Charity Volume Licensing Program to include independent medical research institutes.

"Australia's independent medical research institutes provide an invaluable service to the community, undertaking crucial research to better understand diseases, develop pioneering treatments, and provide solutions to the health problems of tomorrow," said AAMRI President, Professor Julie Campbell.

Until today, Australia's not-for-profit medical research institutes have not been eligible for discounted software under Microsoft's Charity Program.

"I am delighted that AAMRI's negotiations with Microsoft have come to fruition and Australia's independent medical research institutes are recognised for their contribution to the community."

The changes announced today, together with the expansion of Microsoft's Donation Program (delivered through DonorTec) announced in 2011, mean that independent medical research institutes can apply for a limited number of free software licences under the Microsoft Donation Program, and purchase remaining licenses through Microsoft's Charity Volume Licensing Program.

For more information, see Microsoft's updated Australian Eligibility Guidelines for Charity Organisations

(www.microsoftvolumelicensing.com/userights/DocumentSearch.aspx?Mode=3&DocumentTypeId=19) (section 2.2.f.), or visit Microsoft's Donation Program (www.donortec.org/microsoft) and Charity Volume Licensing Program (www.microsoft.com/licensing/licensing-options/for-industries.aspx#tab=4).

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