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## ISAAC Australia

[ISAAC Australia](#) is the Australian Chapter of the [International Society for Augmentative and Alternative Communication](#) (ISAAC). ISAAC Australia is an Australian not-for-profit organisation.

ISAAC is a membership organisation working to improve the lives of children and adults who cannot rely on speech alone to be heard and understood. These people need Augmentative and Alternative Communication (AAC) to communicate – and unfortunately not all of them have it.

ISAAC's goal is to create worldwide awareness about how AAC can help individuals who need it. ISAAC accomplishes this by sharing information and promoting innovative approaches to research, technology and literacy through AAC.

ISAAC's Vision is that AAC will be recognised, valued and used throughout the world.

ISAAC's Mission is to promote the best possible communication for people who need AAC.

## ISAAC Australia Small Grants

ISAAC Australia is offering some small grants in 2025. These are aimed at projects that would otherwise be limited by the constraints of other funding programs. The project must directly or indirectly assist, involve and benefit people who need AAC. Applications that are particularly innovative are encouraged. In addition, projects that add to the body of knowledge in the field of AAC are regarded as favourable. Applications can be up to the value of \$7,000.

## Who Can Apply?

Eligible applicants must meet the following criteria:

- The applicant must be a [current member of ISAAC Australia](#).
- The applicant must be conducting or planning to conduct research in the field of AAC that aligns with ISAAC's goal, vision and mission (see above).
- The applicant should demonstrate a sound knowledge of the content area within the field of AAC that they will be building on through the research.
- The applicant must demonstrate how they will obtain the research support and expertise necessary to conduct and complete the project.
- The applicant needs to prepare and deliver a webinar on their project when it is completed, to be hosted by [AGOSCI](#).

## ↘ Additional Criteria

In addition, applications must meet the following criteria:

- Research funded must be conducted in Australia
- ISAAC Australia requires that successful applicants acknowledge the organisation's contribution in all publications, presentations, and media releases relating to the research.
- The research project must be completed within two (2) years of the date of grant payment. If the recipient is unable to complete their research project, all grant funds received must be returned to ISAAC Australia.
- Within 2 months of receiving grant approval, the recipient will be required to write a brief report containing an overview of the project for the ISAAC Australia website.
- A final statement showing expenditure of funds provided by ISAAC Australia must be submitted to ISAAC Australia on completion of the project.
- Copies of any presentation or papers arising from the project must be provided to ISAAC Australia.
- Funds will not be provided until at Ethics Clearance from the organisation hosting the research is obtained. A copy of the ethics application and clearance must be lodged with ISAAC Australia by October 2026 at the latest. Failure to provide this will result in the funding offer being withdrawn.

## ↘ Restrictions

The following are ineligible for funding:

- Projects that are not related to the field of AAC
- Projects that have commenced or been completed
- Projects that are not based in Australia
- Projects that include higher degree enrolment fees, travel or conference registration, or accommodation.
- Limited and Propriety Limited companies which are for-profit organisations
- Applications for funding beyond \$7000 will not be considered



## Timeline

	Date
<b>Applications Open</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> August, 2025
<b>Applications Close</b>	15 <sup>th</sup> September, 2025
<b>Applicants notified of Outcome</b>	October 2025



## Submitting an Application

The application form is available from [Small Grants - ISAAC Australia](#)

Please email an electronic copy of the application form by the 15<sup>th</sup> of September 2025 to:

ISAAC Australia Secretary: [secretary@isaacaustralia.com](mailto:secretary@isaacaustralia.com)



## Any Questions?

For any inquiries on this grant, reach out to:

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