

Australia accelerates diabetes and CVD research

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The Australian government is backing cutting-edge research into two of the most prominent health conditions that affect millions of Australians – diabetes and cardiovascular disease (CVD).

The government will invest \$47 million over four years into a new program to accelerate research into preventing, diagnosing and treating the conditions.

Minister for Health Greg Hunt said the program would bring together industry, researchers, clinical organisations, businesses and philanthropists to deliver results.

Minister for Industry, Science and Technology Karen Andrews said the nature of the investment meant there was also great economic potential.

MTPConnect – one of the Federal Government's Industry Growth Centres – will deliver this initiative in collaboration with an independent Board of experts.