

## Frequently asked questions (FAQ)

 Is the visit to Australia component mandatory, or can the program be completed entirely in Taiwan?

The Australia visit is not mandatory for completing the program. While ten PETALS participants will have the opportunity to visit Australia in March 2027, the core program consists of online modules and face-to-face workshops in Taiwan. However, Griffith University strongly encourages participating in the visit to Australia to get the most out of PETALS.

2. Eligibility criteria: Are Non-Government Organisations (NGOs) and related organisations from the health/aged-care sector with a minimum 2 years of relevant work experience eligible to apply?

The program is designed for early-career clinical and administrative healthcare professionals who aim to lead future climate resilience initiatives. Candidates must have at least 2 years of relevant work experience, and healthcare and aged-care NGOs and related organizations are eligible to apply.

3. Are aged-care service providers eligible to apply?

Yes, healthcare and aged-care related organisations are eligible to apply.

- 4. What costs are associated with participation?
  - Online modules: PETALS modules are available online and offered at no cost to successful applicants.
  - Face to face workshops: Catering is provided for all face-to-face workshops hosted in Taiwan. Participants will need to cover any costs associated with travel/lodging to attend these workshops.
  - Taiwanese health leaders' visit to Australia: Selected participants will engage in site visits to hospital and health services in Australia. Flights, accommodation and per diem expenses will be covered.



- 5. **Is there a minimum attendance requirement for the face-to-face workshops?** Each module includes a two-day intensive workshop in Taiwan. While there are no specific attendance requirements, we strongly encourage participants to attend all workshops to maximise benefits from PETALS.
- 6. Do participants need to complete learning assessments?

Each module contains two assessment tasks that are incorporated into the online learning content. Participants must complete two assessments to be eligible to attend the in-person workshops.

- 7. Will certificates be provided upon completion of the program? Yes.
- 8. Will there be opportunities for networking with Australian healthcare leaders? Yes, particularly during the Australia visit in March 2027, which includes visits to hospitals and healthcare facilities in Brisbane and Melbourne.
- **9.** Is there ongoing support or mentoring during or after program completions? The program includes regular face-to-face workshops that provide opportunities to network with other participants.
- 10. What's the benefit for my institution?

Participating institutions will benefit from having staff trained in climate resilience and sustainability leadership. This program helps institutions prepare for climate-related challenges while improving operational efficiency. The international visits provide valuable networking opportunities with Australian counterparts and exposure to global best practices.

