



Shining a light  
on Schizophrenia



Your bequest can help find a cure



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## Your gift could mean so much to so many young people in the future.

Have you ever considered leaving a gift to the Schizophrenia Research Institute in your will?

Leaving a bequest is your gift to those people and causes that are close to your heart. In one single act of generosity, you could make a huge difference to future generations suffering from schizophrenia and help us find better ways to manage this terrible disease.

### **Why choose the Schizophrenia Research Institute?**

The Schizophrenia Research Institute is the only national medical research institute solely dedicated to discovering the ways to prevent and cure schizophrenia.

- **Schizophrenia is the third leading cause of disability in young people.**
- **30 percent attempt suicide, five percent die.**
- **Schizophrenia can arise in any family.**
- **One in every hundred young people will develop schizophrenia.**
- **There is no cure and improved and new treatments are urgently needed.**

Medical research is the only way we can make real advances in helping people with schizophrenia - and your gift could help in so many ways.

### **What could your gift do?**

We need to educate young researchers to ensure the work continues. Your gift could go towards a scholarship, an education grant or supporting the salary of one of our key scientists. You can be assured that your gift will be used wisely and 100 percent will go directly to the research, and in time will help future generations diagnosed with schizophrenia.



*"I chose to leave a gift in my will to the Schizophrenia Research Institute because it is a terrible disease and mental illness has not been given the attention that it deserves. It has been a great experience over the last 12 years to watch the growth of the Institute but they need our help to continue this urgent work. I hope you'll join me in leaving a gift in your will to this very worthy cause."* **Judy Gibson**

## The Judy Gibson Society

Judy Gibson along with her late husband Jack have been loyal supporters of the Institute since its inception.

By joining Judy Gibson in confirming a bequest to the Schizophrenia Research Institute, you will become a member of The Judy Gibson Society.

Being a member of this group of special supporters acknowledges the shared mission for the Institute, to discover the ways to find the causes and a cure for schizophrenia.

Membership benefits include personal invitations to regular tours, morning teas and information sessions.

*"I thought that my schizophrenia was a punishment - then I discovered that when I'd mess up it was because I had schizophrenia not the other way around. Being part of the Australian Schizophrenia Research Bank I felt that I was able to contribute; I felt really useful.*

*I am becoming the person I always wanted to become. I'm on the road to that."*

**Katrina Clutterbuck** Schizophrenia patient

## What should you do next?

Making a will should not be complicated but we recommend you do so with the advice of your solicitor or trustee.

There are three simple steps:

1. **Discuss your gift with your family and your solicitor or trustee.**
2. **Ensure the wording is correct (see next page) and lodge your will or revised will with your solicitor or trustee.**
3. **Once you have confirmed your will, write to us and let us know your intentions (see form on back page) so that you can be part of the Judy Gibson Society and we can acknowledge you accordingly.**

The Schizophrenia Research Institute has been endorsed by the Australian Taxation Office as a deductible gift recipient and an income tax exempt charitable entity for tax purposes.

If you are a solicitor and you have a client who would like to leave a bequest to the Schizophrenia Research Institute, we would be happy to speak to you and to your client personally about this.

**Please contact Helen Connealy on (02) 9295 8692 or Email [h.connealy@schizophreniaresearch.org.au](mailto:h.connealy@schizophreniaresearch.org.au)**

## The wording of your bequest

It is important that your bequest is worded correctly and the following is recommended as a guide. You may wish to give this wording to the solicitor who is preparing your Will.

### 1. THE RESIDUE OF YOUR ESTATE

The residue is the amount left over after you have looked after your loved ones and outstanding debts.

*"I give and bequeath to the Schizophrenia Research Institute, (ABN: 31 068 846 319), 405 Liverpool Street, Darlinghurst, NSW 2010, in aid of that institution and for its general purposes, the residue of my estate for which the receipt of the Treasurer or other authorised Officer shall be an absolute discharge."*

### 2. A PERCENTAGE OF THE RESIDUE OF YOUR ESTATE

*"I give and bequeath to the Schizophrenia Research Institute, (ABN: 31 068 846 319), 405 Liverpool Street, Darlinghurst, NSW 2010, in aid of that institution and for its general purposes, xx percent of the residue of my estate for which the receipt of the Treasurer or other authorised Officer shall be an absolute discharge."*

### 3. A PERCENTAGE OF YOUR TOTAL ESTATE

If you have no dependent family, you may choose to give a percentage of your total estate.

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## About the Institute

Established in 1996 as Australia's first virtual medical research Institute, the Institute conducts and supports schizophrenia research in hospitals, universities and research institutes across the country and internationally. With over 60 employees and 140 scientific affiliates, the Institute drives a proactive research agenda, has invested over \$25 million and has had numerous successes to date.

In 2007, the Institute launched the Australian Schizophrenia Research Bank, the largest ever national brain research project in schizophrenia, which is collecting wide-ranging data on patients and controls for use in research programs.

The Institute is NHMRC accredited and is funded by government grants (NSW Health & NHMRC) and corporate and private donations. A registered charity throughout Australia, further donations can be given at [www.schizophreniaresearch.org.au](http://www.schizophreniaresearch.org.au) or by phoning (02) 9295 8688.



Professor Cyndi Shannon Weikert, the Macquarie Group Foundation Chair of Schizophrenia Research\*.

\*The Macquarie Group Foundation Chair of Schizophrenia Research based at the Schizophrenia Research Laboratory is a joint initiative of the Schizophrenia Research Institute, University of NSW, Prince of Wales Medical Research Institute, and the Macquarie Group Foundation. It is supported by NSW Health.

Thank you for taking the time to complete  
and return this information to us.

## My Bequest

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- ☐ I am considering leaving a bequest to the Institute.
- ☐ I would like to meet an Institute representative to discuss making a bequest.
- ☐ I confirm I have made a gift to the Institute in my will and would like to receive more information.

Title:\_\_\_\_\_Name:\_\_\_\_\_

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The best time to contact me is

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