



Leaving a Gift in Your Will

Thank you for considering a gift in your will to Open Medicine Foundation Australia. A gift of this kind helps fund medical research into ME/CFS, Long COVID and related chronic complex diseases, helping to sustain that work for future generations. Open Medicine Foundation Australia is a registered charity with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission, and part of the global Open Medicine Foundation research network.

Our legal details:

Full legal name: **Open Medicine Foundation Australia Limited**

ABN: **81 635 273 415**

Please use our full legal name and ABN in your will. This is what identifies the Foundation without ambiguity, even if our trading name changes over time.

A note for you and your solicitor

The wording below is provided as a guide only. Your solicitor can advise which type of gift best suits your circumstances and can adapt any of the clauses to fit the rest of your will.

Suggested wording

1. A specific gift

I give the sum of \$_____ to Open Medicine Foundation Australia Limited (ABN 81 635 273 415), and I declare that the receipt of an authorised officer of the Foundation shall be a sufficient discharge to my Executor.

2. The whole of the residuary estate

The residuary estate is what remains of your estate after debts, expenses and any specific gifts have been paid.

I give the whole of my residuary estate to Open Medicine Foundation Australia Limited (ABN 81 635 273 415), and I declare that the receipt of an authorised officer of the Foundation shall be a sufficient discharge to my Executor.

3. A percentage of the residuary estate

I give _____% of my residuary estate to Open Medicine Foundation Australia Limited (ABN 81 635 273 415), and I declare that the receipt of an authorised officer of the Foundation shall be a sufficient discharge to my Executor.

4. A gift of real property

I give all my interest in the property situated at _____ to Open Medicine Foundation Australia Limited (ABN 81 635 273 415), and I declare that the receipt of an authorised officer of the Foundation shall be a sufficient discharge to my Executor.

Please note: A gift of a particular property or asset may fail if you no longer own it at the date of your death. For this reason, many people choose to leave a percentage of their residuary estate instead.

5. A gift of shares or other assets

Publicly listed shares

I give all my shares in publicly listed companies to Open Medicine Foundation Australia Limited (ABN 81 635 273 415), and I declare that the receipt of an authorised officer of the Foundation shall be a sufficient discharge to my Executor.

Private company shares

I give all my shares in XYZ Pty Ltd to Open Medicine Foundation Australia Limited (ABN 81 635 273 415), and I declare that the receipt of an authorised officer of the Foundation shall be a sufficient discharge to my Executor.

Artwork or collectibles

I give my artwork known as _____ by _____ to Open Medicine Foundation Australia Limited (ABN 81 635 273 415), and I declare that the receipt of an authorised officer of the Foundation shall be a sufficient discharge to my Executor.

Other assets, such as managed investments or valuable collections, may also be gifted. Your solicitor can advise on the most appropriate wording.

Using your gift where it will have the greatest impact

Many supporters choose to leave an unrestricted gift, which allows the Foundation to direct funds to the areas of greatest need at the time and to respond to new scientific opportunities as they arise. If no particular purpose is specified, the gift will be applied wherever it can make the most difference.

If you have a particular area of research or care in mind, we welcome a conversation before your will is finalised. This helps us honour your intentions while retaining sufficient flexibility to apply your gift where it can have the greatest impact as circumstances change.

Future-proofing the gift

To help ensure your gift can always be honoured, we suggest including the following provision:

If Open Medicine Foundation Australia Limited has changed its name or merged with another charitable organisation pursuing substantially similar charitable purposes at the date of my death, this gift shall take effect as if made to that successor organisation.

Further information

If you are considering a gift in your will and would like to discuss your wishes confidentially, we would be glad to hear from you.

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