

## Media release

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### 2011 ACCAN Grants Scheme projects announced

Peak communications consumer advocacy body ACCAN has today announced the six successful projects it will fund through the 2011 Round of the [ACCAN Grants Scheme](#).

ACCAN Director of Research & Grants Ryan Sengara said the organisation had received 71 applications from a wide range of non-government, research and community organisations.

“The high quality of applications was noted by our Independent Grants Panel who said that the 2011 Round of the ACCAN Grants Scheme was highly competitive,” said Mr Sengara.

“ACCAN would like to congratulate the successful applicants and extend our thanks to all who applied. We look forward to working with the recipients to further our research and consumer education work and to building our relationships with all applicants.”

The successful applications are:

- **The Australian Health Workforce Institute (Dr Louise Greenstock)**  
Connecting people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds and general practitioners through telecommunications: How can consumers be informed, represented and safeguarded?
- **Footscray Community Legal Centre**  
Refugee Communities Telecommunications Education Program
- **Media Access Australia**  
Social Media Accessibility: Resources supporting consumers with disabilities
- **University of Melbourne (Dr Rowan Wilken)**  
High-Speed Broadband and Household Media Ecologies
- **University of Wollongong (William Tibben)**  
Government ICT Purchasing – what differences do accessibility criteria make for people with disabilities?
- **Woman’s Legal Services NSW**  
Cyber Bullying: Untangling the Web

The ACCAN Grants Scheme, now in its third year, provides \$250,000 in funding per year for projects that align with the organisation’s vision of available, affordable and accessible communications for all Australians.

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Further detail regarding the 2011 Grants Scheme projects can be found at [www.accan.org.au/grants](http://www.accan.org.au/grants)

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#### About ACCAN

ACCAN (Australian Communications Consumer Action Network) is Australia's peak communications consumer organisation. ACCAN's goal is available, accessible and affordable communications that enhances the lives of consumers. The operation of ACCAN is made possible by funding provided by the Australian government.