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ADF welcomes National Centre for Farmer Health funding

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[Australian Dairy Farmers](#) (ADF) has welcomed a total of \$625,000 funding from the Victorian and Commonwealth Governments for the world-renowned [National Centre for Farmer Health](#) (NCFH).

ADF President, Noel Campbell, said the funding, comprising \$375,000 from the Commonwealth and \$250,000 from the Victorian Government, would enable the centre to run for a further 12 months.

“The National Centre for Farmer Health has made an important contribution towards improving the health, safety and well-being of farm men and women, farm workers, their families and the communities in which they live,” Mr Campbell said.

“The centre is located in Hamilton in Western Victoria and is a partnership between the Western District Health Service and Deakin University.

“An example of the NCFH’s work includes the internationally-recognised and nationally-run [Sustainable Farm Families Program](#).

“The NCFH has undertaken too much good work, like the Sustainable Farm Families Program, to be allowed to close its doors for a simple lack of funding.

“As such, ADF welcomes the Commonwealth and Victorian Government’s funding contributions as an important indicator of their support for the centre’s work.

“However, we note that this funding has been provided on a one-off basis, and ADF earnestly hopes that a longer term and sustainable funding arrangement can be put in place.”

Mr Campbell congratulated NCFH staff, the National Farmers’ Federation (NFF), the Victorian Farmers Federation (VFF) and the Federal Member for Wannon, Dan Tehan MP, for their efforts in securing funding.

“Building on their efforts, ADF had previously advocated for funding on the centre’s behalf in our pre-budget submission to the Federal Government,” he said.

“We look forward to a productive 12 months ahead for the NCFH in promoting the physical and emotional well-being of farmers and farming communities.”

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