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GAP(HS) SUPPORTS & QUERIES

Thinking About Applying to the Fall 2016 Foundation Competition?
It is not too early to start thinking about your Program of Research. If you are thinking about applying to the Fall 2016 Foundation competition we would be interested to hear from you. For those planning to apply in Fall 2016 to the Foundation competition we can:

- Organize a Program Vision Meeting, this is an opportunity to discuss your research program with colleagues including if desired a CIHR reviewer or virtual chair from the 2014 or 2015 competition;
- Share funded Foundation applications; and
- Calculate your baseline budget using the algorithm CIHR used in the 2015 Foundation competition.

Please contact Joanne Simala-Grant at jls24@ualberta.ca or 780-492-1566 for additional information.

Were you a Stage 1 Foundation Reviewer or Virtual Chair?
If you were a reviewer or virtual chair in fall 2015 for Stage 1 of the Foundation 2015 competition we would be interested to hear from you. We are interested in creating a list of Stage 1 Foundation reviewers so that we may contact individuals in the coming months regarding the possibility of reviewing Foundation 2016 applications from the University of Alberta as part of the Grant Assist Program (Health Sciences) grant review process, to provide feedback for creation of a resource, or to speak at a workshop. CIHR will not provide us with the list of Stage 1 reviewer names until 60 days after the Foundation 2015 results are released (July 15, 2016). Contacting us does not oblige you to service. Please contact Joanne Simala-Grant at jls24@ualberta.ca or 780-492-1566.

Request for Feedback on the Project Competition
As a follow up to our phone discussions with CIHR, we have been requested to write up a list of suggestions for CIHR as they move into planning for the next Project competition. Consequently, we are requesting your constructive feedback. All feedback will be compiled into
an anonymous summary that will be forwarded to CIHR. The feedback will also be brought forward at the upcoming University Delegate meetings.

To provide your feedback, please email cihrggrants@ualberta.ca or call Joanne Simala-Grant at 780-492-1566

Joanne Simala-Grant Director, Grant Assist Program, Health Sciences; and Christian Beaulieu, University of Alberta CIHR University Delegate will compile the feedback for submission to CIHR.

Additionally, applicants are also encouraged to complete CIHR’s applicant questionnaire which was sent by email on March 15 and is due April 8.

CIHR ANNOUNCEMENTS

CIHR and NSERC to Continue Support for Collaborative Health Research
CIHR and NSERC have signed a new memorandum of understanding that will support the Collaborative Health Research Projects initiative for the next five years. CIHR will continue to provide administrative support for the delivery of the CHRP initiative, in collaboration with NSERC. The funding level will remain consistent with the amount identified in the previous MOU. The launch date for the 2016-17 competition will be announced in the coming weeks. For further information, please contact support@cihr-irsc.gc.ca

Tri-Agency Statement of Principles on Digital Data Management
CIHR, NSERC, and SSHRC have issued a draft Statement of Principles on Digital Data Management. These agencies support the creation of a robust and efficient environment for data stewardship in Canada. The Statement outlines:

- Expectations regarding research data management; and
- Responsibilities of researchers, communities, institutions and funders.

At this time, the draft statement can be considered as a guide only, and there are no Agency-wide requirements. However, the Agencies do plan to pilot data management plan requirements in selected programs. The Agencies will engage the research community on how best to realize the principles expressed in the Statement.

CIHR FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Opportunities Posted Since March 1, 2016

Catalyst Grant - Musculoskeletal Rehab and ME/Chronic Fatigue Syndrome Network Grant Application Due: 2016-05-03

Team Grant - Preterm Birth Network Application Application Due: 2016-09-06

Team Grant - More Years / Better Lives Application Due: 2016-04-12

Operating Grant - Active and Assisted Living Joint Programme (AAL JP) 2016 - Dementia Application Due: 2016-05-26

Chair - The Wilfred and Joyce Posluns Chair in Women’s Brain Health Application Due: 2016-09-06

CIHR Gold Leaf Prize for Impact Application Due: 2016-09-06

CIHR Gold Leaf Prize for Outstanding Achievements - Early Career Investigator Application Due: 2016-09-06

CIHR Gold Leaf Prize for Transformation: Patient Engagement Application Due: 2016-09-06
RESEARCH SUPPORTS

AB SPOR SUPPORT Unit Knowledge Translation Platform
The Alberta SPOR KT Platform is now providing consultation services for Alberta-based health science researchers in the areas of knowledge synthesis, knowledge translation (KT) and implementation science. Expertise is available in the following areas:

- Knowledge synthesis expertise (e.g. meta-analyses, systematic reviews, scoping reviews, etc.);
- Guidance on writing end-of-project KT plans for grant applications;
- Assistance in designing research incorporating the principles of integrated KT or implementation science;
- Assistance in designing research to develop and/or evaluate KT strategies and interventions.

Contact Meghan Sebastianski for knowledge synthesis consultations. For KT and implementation science consultations, contact Gabrielle Zimmermann.

STANDING ITEMS

Support for CIHR Competitions
The Grant Assist Program (Health Sciences) offers support for applications to all competitions at CIHR (except trainee competitions). Please contact us to engage cihrgrants@ualberta.ca

CIHR University Delegate News
The most recent minutes from the monthly University Delegate Teleconference with CIHR are available for download.

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About the Grant Assist Program (Health Sciences)
Overview
The Grant Assist Program (Health Sciences) supports applicants as they apply to CIHR through the delivery of feedback processes, workshops, resources, bridge funding, editing and general assistance. This initiative is jointly supported by the Office of the Vice-President Research, Office of the Provost, Faculty of Medicine & Dentistry, Alberta Innovates-Health Solutions, and the Women & Children's Health Research Institute.

Other Grant Assist Program Streams
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