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CIHR ANNOUNCEMENTS

Appointment of Dr. Brian Rowe as Scientific Director of the CIHR Institute of Circulatory and Respiratory Health

CIHR is pleased to announce the appointment of Dr. Brian Rowe as Scientific Director of the CIHR Institute of Circulatory and Respiratory Health. Dr. Rowe holds a Tier 1 Canada Research Chair in Evidence-Based Emergency Medicine, and is a member of the Department of Emergency Medicine. He is also a clinical Emergency Medicine Physician at the Walter C Mackenzie Health Sciences Center.

Recruitment of New Institute Advisory Board Members

CIHR is launching a recruitment campaign to fill up to 75 positions within the five new Institute Advisory Boards (IABs). An open nominations process is the most appropriate and transparent way to attract the ideal mix of expertise for the new IABs. CIHR is committed to ensuring the applicant nomination pool is inclusive and diverse enough to ensure capacity for independent, expert and relevant advice enriched by perspectives from a wide range of stakeholders.

The deadline for submission is **February 10, 2016**. Please refer to the following for more information:

- Formal announcement from CIHR regarding the new IABs: [http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/49555.html](http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/49555.html)
- Questions and Answers regarding the IABs: [http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/49097.html](http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/49097.html)
- How to apply to become an IAB member: [http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/26486.html](http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/26486.html)

PROJECT COMPETITION
Project Competition Resources
Project competition resources can be found here. These include a Mock Project Application, the Project Application Strategic Checklist, and a summary of the Project Competition Peer Review Manual.

Project Competition: Internal UofA Deadline
The Research Services Office (RSO) has set an internal UofA deadline of 5:00pm (Edmonton Time) on Thursday, February 18, 2016 for submission of CIHR Project Applications to ResearchNet. Applications must be submitted on ResearchNet prior to the deadline. Submitted applications will be reviewed and returned on ResearchNet to allow applicants to make any required/desired changes prior to the CIHR Application Deadline of 10:00am (Edmonton Time) on Tuesday, March 1, 2016.
Applicants will also need to create a new proposal using their Researcher Home Page and eTRACK account. Complete instructions on how to create a new proposal in eTRACK can be found here. Note that applicants are responsible for completion of the signature page(s), which, after signatures have been obtained, must be scanned and emailed to rsohs@ualberta.ca by the internal deadline. Further information may be obtained from your Research Facilitator.

OTHER FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES AND WEBINARS

Alberta Innovates – Health Solutions (AIHS) Health Research New Investigator Award
AIHS is pleased to announce the launch of the AIHS Health Research New Investigator Award, developed in partnership with provincial universities. The award supports the recruitment of outstanding junior researchers to build translational capacity in areas of provincial need in health research and innovation. The goal of the AIHS Health Research New Investigator Award is to sustain the high calibre of research at our universities by attracting the best and brightest to their first academic appointment at an Alberta university. The award is open to researchers currently working in Alberta as well as researchers outside the province. The award supports the province’s priorities of job creation and the health of families and communities, as the research generated through the award will address health and health care needs of Albertans. For more information, please email Tara McCarthy or see the AIHS website.

CIHR-IHSPR Barer-Flood Prize 2016
The CIHR - Institute of Health Services and Policy Research (IHSPR) is dedicated to fostering excellence and innovation in health services and policy research and to catalyzing the application of research findings to policies, practices and programs that provide real-world benefit and enhance the provision of high-quality health care for Canadians. We are pleased to announce that nominations are now open for the 2016 Barer-Flood Prize. The award is named in honour of the leadership, vision and innovative contributions of the first two Scientific Directors of the Institute, Morris Barer and Colleen Flood. Application deadline: May 2, 2016 Application instructions can be found here.

RESEARCH SUPPORTS

Subscribe to the AB SPOR SUPPORT UNIT KT Platform Communiqué
The Knowledge Translation platform of the Alberta SPOR Support Unit distributes a communiqué detailing their KT supports and resources. Researchers can subscribe to the communiqué here.

WCHRI – Biostatistics Service
The Women and Children's Health Research Institute (WCHRI) offers a Biostatistics Service to aid researchers in ensuring their research studies have methodological rigour and will meet the standards set by peer-reviewed journals. Services are tailored to meet specific project requirements and are provided on a cost-recovery basis. Fees are subsidized through the generosity of the Stollery Children's Hospital Foundation (SCHF) and supporters of the Lois Hole Hospital for Women (LHHW). The WCHRI Biostatistics Service includes:

- Suggesting statistical methods best suited to answer specific research questions
- Sample size and power calculations
- Statistical analysis planning/writing
- Randomization schedules
- Data cleaning
- Data analysis
- Interpretation of results
- Tables and graphs for presentation
- Checking statistical sections of funding applications and manuscripts
- Statistical software advice and training, including a SPSS online tutorial

To access these services, please complete the WCHRI project engagement form. Priority is given to WCHRI members and projects that are aligned with WCHRI's mission.

**WCHRI Lunch and Learn: Secondary Use Data Project - Plans and Progress**

Over the last year, multiple organizations within Alberta have been working together to create plans and recommendations aimed at improving the access to and use of secondary use data. This information session will provide the audience with an overview of the vision for the Secondary Use Data Project, progress made to date, and plans for moving ahead with Phase 2.

**Speaker:** Tim Murphy, MBA, is Vice President, Alberta SPOR SUPPORT Unit & Provincial Platforms. He has more than 20 years of senior executive leadership experience in the health care sector.

**Time & Date:** 12:00-1:00pm on February 22, 2016

**Location:** 1-182 ECHA

**Registration:** [https://redcap.med.ualberta.ca/surveys/?s=GXFXyILBFw](https://redcap.med.ualberta.ca/surveys/?s=GXFXyILBFw)

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**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 cihrgtants@ualberta.ca

**CIHR University Delegate News**

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

**Subscribe to CIHR's Funding News**

CIHR sends out a monthly e-bulletin "CIHR's Funding News" which provides updates on CIHR programs and peer review, and information about upcoming funding opportunities and policies. To obtain a free electronic subscription please visit "CIHR's Funding News" and email Research-News@cihr-irsc.gc.ca to subscribe.

**Subscribe to the Grant Assist Program (Health Sciences) E-bulletin**

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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**
- **Grant Assist Program (Natural Sciences & Engineering)**
- **Grant Assist Program (Social Sciences & Humanities)** Click [here](https://www.mailoutinteractive.com/Industry/View.aspx?id=754246&q=0&qz=480cda) to subscribe to the GAP-SSH listserv

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