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### WORKSHOPS

**Workshop: Knowledge Translation for Basic Scientists**

Are you a basic science researcher wondering what knowledge translation means? Wondering about how knowledge translation (KT) fits into the CIHR project scheme? Understanding how KT concepts are applied in the basic sciences and navigating KT in grants can be challenging for researchers. Join this session to hear about basic concepts and tips for mastering KT in the 2016 1st Live Pilot CIHR Project Scheme competition.

**Speaker**: Kelly Mrklias, KT Implementation Scientist, Research Priorities and Implementation, Alberta Health Services

**Time & Date**: 10:30-11:45 am, Monday, January 11 2016

**Location**: 1-040 Oborowsky Degner Seminar Hall, Li Ka Shing Centre for Health Research Innovation
Grant Assist Program (Health Sciences) January 2016 E-bulletin

**Project Competition**

Interest is expected to be launched shortly.

**CIHR Announcements**

**Workshop: Insights into CIHR: Upcoming Changes & a Discussion on How Can We Make a Difference**
Join us to hear from Dr. Lori West, Member, CIHR Governing Council. She will share with us the governing structure of CIHR, how decisions are made, what additional changes we can anticipate at CIHR, and how we can make a difference.

**Speaker:** Dr. Lori West
**Time & Date:** 10:15-11:15 am, Friday January 15, 2016
**Location:** 1-040 Oborowsky Degner Seminar Hall, Li Ka Shing Centre for Health Research Innovation

**Workshop: An Introduction to Patient-Oriented Research**
The Alberta SPOR SUPPORT Unit Career Development Platform will be holding a workshop entitled “An Introduction to Patient-Oriented Research”. There is no charge for the session.

**Speakers:** Dr. Marilyne Hebert (Career Development Platform Lead), and guest speaker Dr. Braden Manss (University of Calgary)
**Time & Date:** 4:30-6:00 pm on January 27, 2016
**Location:** Edmonton Clinic Health Academy (ECHA), Room 2-140
Contact Melanie Rosario to register, or register to join the workshop online here.

**Webinar: Evaluating Research Impact**
This Webinar organized by the SPOR Knowledge Translation Platform will provide an overview of research impact evaluation, from planning, to implementing, to understanding and using the results.

**Speakers:** Dr. Anne Bergen and Elizabeth Shantz
**Time & Date:** 2:00-3:00 pm (Edmonton time), Wednesday, 20 January 2016 from
Click here to register. For more information, contact Janna Priest.

**Become a CIHR Institute Advisory Board Member**
The recruitment campaign to fill up to 75 positions within the five new CIHR Institutes Advisory Boards (IABs) has begun. Comprised of five horizontal boards serving all 13 CIHR Institutes, this new advisory model will boost collaboration across Institutes and within our multitude of stakeholder communities by bringing together a wide range of perspectives within each IAB. The five new IABs are:

- IAB on Research Excellence, Policy and Ethics
- IAB on Health Innovation
- IAB on Indigenous Peoples’ Health
- IAB on Health Promotion and Prevention
- IAB on Chronic Conditions

Online applications can be submitted on ResearchNet before February 3, 2016. Details can be found here.

**Expression of Interest - CIHR College of Reviewers Chairs**
CIHR is seeking to fill nine Chair positions in the College of Reviewers. The role of these College Chairs will be to provide strategic guidance in the building of the College as a national resource. Candidates must be: (i) internationally-recognized health research leaders who have a strong understanding of their research and knowledge translation communities; (ii) committed to advancing excellence in peer review; (iii) experienced peer reviewers in a diversity of roles with knowledge of a variety of funding organizations in Canada and abroad. An Expression of Interest is expected to be launched shortly.

**Project Competition**

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Project Competition: Finalized Application Instruction Documents
Finalized documents for the March 2016 Project Competition are available. See the following links: Application Instructions (includes adjudication criteria) and Peer Review Manual.

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: Partnered / Integrated Knowledge (iKT) Special Consideration
CIHR has established a "special consideration" to incentivize the meaningful engagement of partners and knowledge users in research. This means that CIHR has allocated a portion of the Project Scheme budget for knowledge translation or commercialization projects that have a partner and/or knowledge user. To be deemed eligible for this consideration, applicants will have to: self-identify their project as incorporating a knowledge user or an integrated knowledge translation (iKT) component. Eligible applications may be assessed by both researcher and knowledge user reviewers. Further information can be found here.

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 uploaded onto ResearchNet prior to the deadline. Uploaded 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 can be obtained from the RSO.

Project Competition: CIHR Q & A Webinars
Questions and Answers webinars will be available as per the dates listed below. To register, click the link of the online session you wish to register for. Please note that upon registering, you will receive an email confirming your registration which will include all information required to join the webinar, including a direct link to the session and session password.

- Thursday, January 21 from 10:00-11:00am Edmonton time (English)
- Friday, January 22 from 10:00-11:00am Edmonton time (English)
- Tuesday, January 26 from 10:00-11:00am Edmonton time (English)
- Thursday, January 28 from 10:00-11:00am Edmonton time (English)
- Friday, January 29 from 10:00-11:00am Edmonton time (English)
- Monday, February 1 from 11:30am-12:30pm Edmonton time (English)
- Wednesday, February 3 from 10:00-11:00am Edmonton time (French)
- Friday, February 5 from 10:00-11:00am Edmonton time (English)

FOUNDATION 2015 COMPETITION SUPPORT

Stage 2 Foundation Application: CIHR Q & A Webinars
CIHR is holding a series of Questions & Answers webinars on the Foundation Scheme: 2015 2nd Live Pilot competition Stage 2 application. These are intended to answer applicant questions, with applicants being able to pose questions during the webinars. Additional information, and webinar registration instructions can be found via the following links:
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- [Thursday, January 7 from 11:30am – 12:30pm](#) Edmonton time (English)
- [Thursday, January 14 from 11:30am – 12:30pm](#) Edmonton time (English)
- [Thursday, January 21 from 11:30am - 12:30pm](#) Edmonton time (French)

**Stage 2 Foundation Application: Budget Discussion**
Join us to discuss strategies for completing the budget section of the Stage 2 Foundation Application.

**Time & Date:** 9:30-10:45 am, Thursday, January 7, 2016

**Location:** 6-52 Heritage Medical Research Center

**Stage 2 Foundation Application: Resources**
Resources for Stage 2 of the Foundation competition can be found [here](#). Resources include a Strategic Checklist, Summary of the Peer Review Manual and Stage 2 Foundation Application Review Analysis.

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**OTHER FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES AND WEBINARS**

**CIHR Roadmap Signature Initiative on Pathways to Health Equity for Aboriginal Peoples**
The [CIHR Roadmap Signature Initiative on Pathways to Health Equity for Aboriginal Peoples](#) aims to develop a better understanding of how to design, implement and scale-up population health interventions. The recently launched [Implementation Research Team (JRT)](#) Component 2 (enhancement and adaptation) grants will support research teams aimed at strengthening the effectiveness or scalability of population health interventions through community-informed enhancements or adaptations in one of the identified Pathways exemplar areas: Suicide prevention, Diabetes/obesity, Tuberculosis and Oral Health.

This funding opportunity will be comprised of two stages. The first stage will be a Letter of Intent (LOI), deadline February 15, 2016. Successful LOI applicants will be invited to submit full applications in fall 2016. The maximum grant amount from CIHR is $225,000/year for up to 3 years. Application details can be found [here](#).

**CIHR-IPPH Trailblazer Award in Population Health Solutions**
CIHR-IPPH (Institute of Population and Public Health) is pleased to announce the [Trailblazer Award in Population Health Solutions](#). Up to two awards of $15,000 each will be given to exceptional researchers at different career stages (early-mid career and late career). Applicants must have made substantial impacts on the field of population health and its use in policy and/or practice in Canada and/or internationally. The award also recognizes the leadership, mentorship, and innovative contributions of the recipients.

Successful applicants must attend the [Sparkling Population Health Solutions: Research for a Healthier Future Summit](#). CIHR-IPPH will cover travel (economy fare) and accommodation costs for the successful applicants to attend the Summit separately from the award.

The application deadline for this award has been extended to January 14, 2016.

**Embedded Clinician Researcher Salary Award Webinar**
A webinar describing the new [CIHR Embedded Clinician Researcher Salary Award](#) will take place on January 18, 2016 at 11:00 am, Edmonton Time. To register, click [here](#).

**GACD Lung Diseases Team Grant**
This funding opportunity on [Implementation Research on the Primary Prevention of Chronic Lung Diseases in Low and Middle Income Countries (LMICs)](#) is the third joint research program of the [Global Alliance for Chronic Diseases (GACD)](#) (GACD). It is sponsored by CIHR in partnership with [Canada’s International Development Research Centre (IDRC)](https://www.idrc.ca). With the burden of chronic non-communicable diseases rapidly increasing, the GACD partnership is launching a call for proposals with a focus on implementation research, which examines interventions that aim to prevent chronic lung diseases in LMICs, and in vulnerable populations in high-income countries

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(HIC) such as indigenous populations in Canada and Australia. The primary focus of all proposals must be on tobacco control policies (across sectors), and how these are not addressing the equity gap (gender, indigenous populations, other minority populations) that currently exists in patterns of tobacco use and related disease outcomes. The total amount available for this funding opportunity is $5,000,000, enough to fund approximately two grants. The maximum amount per grant is $400,000 per annum for up to five years.

Deadline for applications: March 30, 2016.

**RESEARCH SUPPORTS**

**Learn About Patient-Oriented Research through the Alberta SPOR Support Unit Career Development Platform**

Learn about patient-oriented research in a combined in-person and online setting across Alberta. The [Alberta SPOR SUPPORT Unit Career Development Platform](http://www.healthresearch.alberta.ca) is hosting eight sessions focused on a variety of topics on patient-oriented research to will take place one Wednesday afternoon a month from January-May and September-November of 2016. The sessions are open to anyone interested in learning about patient-oriented research. The first session “An Introduction to Patient-Oriented Research” with Career Development Platform Lead, Dr. Marilyne Hebert and guest speaker Dr. Braden Manns takes place on January 27, 2016 from 4:30-6:00 p.m. There is no charge for the sessions, but online registration is requested.

In-person facilitated sessions will be held each month at the University of Alberta, University of Calgary and University of Lethbridge. These sessions promote relationship building, discussion and mentorship. Participants across the province will also be able to access and engage in the sessions remotely. Speakers will be present at the broadcast site, which will rotate among the three universities throughout the training year. If you would like to learn more or register for the upcoming session in January contact [Melanie Rosario](mailto:melanie.rosario@ualberta.ca).

To access platform services visit [reserachalberta.ca](http://www.healthresearch.alberta.ca) and click the SPOR portal. Once there, researchers will have their needs assessed and will be connected to one or more of the platforms.

**WCHRI - Support Platforms for Integrated Research (SPIR)**

The Women and Children's Health Research Institute ([WCHRI](http://www.healthresearch.alberta.ca)) offers a range of grant funding competitions as well as expert research support services. Through its Support Platforms for Integrated Research ([SPIR](http://www.healthresearch.alberta.ca)), WCHRI can assist researchers by providing project consultation and implementation services. Researchers can choose a single service or a combination of services for start-up through to completion or for a particular phase of their project. SPIR's integrated services are enhanced by in-house expertise in pediatric, maternal and women's health research and in working with industry-sponsored as well as investigator-initiated clinical trials. 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](http://www.healthresearch.alberta.ca)) and supporters of the Lois Hole Hospital for Women ([LHHW](http://www.healthresearch.alberta.ca)).

WCHRI SPIR services include:

- Biostatistics (study design, data analysis and interpretation)
- Data Management and Informatics (REDCap database and survey development, data management)
- Research Coordination (budget development, ethics, clinical trial/research coordination)
- Knowledge Translation (KT plan development and implementation)
- Community-Based Participatory Research (equitable inclusion and engagement of community members and patients in research)
- Qualitative Research (study design, data collection, analysis)
- Knowledge Synthesis (literature searches, systematic reviews)
- Clinical Research Unit, Lois Hole Hospital for Women (study support at LHHW)
- Cord Blood for Research (access to cord blood from LHHW)
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.

Alberta Clinical Research Consortium (ACRC) Research Supports
The Alberta Clinical Research Consortium provides a number of research supports. For example, their December e-Bulletin has advice on how to prepare for a funding agency site visit.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Disambiguate Yourself! - Sign up for an ORCiD ID
ORCiD provides a persistent digital identifier that distinguishes you from every other researcher and, through integration in key research workflows such as manuscript and grant submission, supports automated linkages between you and your professional activities. An ORCiD ID is a unique number assigned to researchers, which can be used to identify your publications, rather than variant forms of your name. Many scholarly journals now request that authors use ORCiD IDs. Signing up is fast and simple - just go to the ORCiD site to sign up https://orcid.org/register. Once you have registered there is a straightforward process for connecting your publications listed in Scopus to your ORCiD ID.

Who is my Research Facilitator?
Research Facilitators (RFs) are your first point of contact for all your research administration needs. When it comes to grant deadlines, they play a critical role in ensuring that all documentation is completed and signatures obtained before applications are submitted to funding agencies. It is important to know who your research facilitator is early in the submission process, as they can answer many of your questions and help guide you through the process.

Who your Research Facilitator is depends on your faculty and department. Contact information can be found here.

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 cihgrants@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**

- [Grant Assist Program (Natural Sciences & Engineering)]
- [Grant Assist Program (Social Sciences & Humanities)] Click [here](https://www.mailoutinteractive.com/Industry/View.aspx?id=743560&q=0&qz=02030c) to subscribe to the GAP-SSH listserv.

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