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FALL 2016 PROJECT COMPETITION NEWS & SUPPORT

Project Funding Opportunity Details
We are awaiting the Fall 2016 CIHR Project Funding Opportunity Details that were to be posted on ResearchNet on June 30, 2016.

CIHR has confirmed the following dates:
Project Registration Due: August 23, 2016
Project Application Due: September 20, 2016

We will send out an off-cycle e-bulletin as soon as the funding opportunity details are released along with notes regarding changes since the last competition, and additional information about support for applicants (feedback processes, resources and editing).

Project Competition Workshop
Preparing a CIHR Project Application
We will have the opportunity to hear Dr. Kathy Hegadoren (CIHR Project Virtual Chair), Dr. Ordan Lehmann (CIHR Project Reviewer) and Dr. Sarah Hughes (CIHR Project Reviewer) share their insights into the CIHR Project application and review process.

Time & Date: 1:30 - 3:00 PM, Tuesday, July 26
Location: 1-040 Li Ka Shing (Oborowsky Degner Seminar Hall)

FALL 2016 FOUNDATION COMPETITION NEWS & SUPPORT
Fall 2016 Foundation Funding Opportunity Details
We are awaiting the Fall 2016 CIHR Foundation Funding Opportunity Details that were to be posted on ResearchNet on June 30, 2016.

CIHR has confirmed the following dates:
Foundation Registration Due: August 9, 2016
Stage 1 Foundation Application Due: September 13, 2016

We will send out an off-cycle e-bulletin as soon as the funding opportunity details are released along with notes regarding changes since the last competition, and additional information about support for applicants (feedback processes, resources and editing).

Foundation Application Workshop
Preparing a CIHR Stage 1 Foundation Application
We will have the opportunity to hear Dr. Michelle Graham (CIHR Foundation Stage 1 Virtual Chair), Dr. Paul Melançon (CIHR Stage 1 Foundation Reviewer) and Dr. Lonnie Zwaigenbaum (CIHR Foundation Awardee) share their insights into the CIHR Stage 1 Foundation application and review process.
**Time & Date:** 9:00 - 10:30 AM, Friday, July 22, 2016
**Location:** 1-040 Li Ka Shing (Oborowsky Degner Seminar Hall)

COMPETITION ANNOUNCEMENTS

CIHR Funding Opportunities Posted on ResearchNet in June 2016
See ResearchNet for all current CIHR Funding Opportunities.

**Operating Grant - SPOR Innovative Clinical Trial Multi-Year Grant** - Application Due: September 27, 2016

**New Investigator Salary Award - Clinical Rehabilitation** - Application Due: September 27, 2016

**Doctoral Research Award - 2016-2017** Application Due: October 4, 2016

**Doctoral Research Award - Fall 2016 Priority Announcement (Specific Research Areas)** Application Due: October 4, 2016

**Team Grant - Perinatal Health Care System Improvement** Application Due: October 18, 2016

** Prize - IHDCYH Talks (2016)** Application Due: October 18, 2016

**Catalyst Grant - SPOR Innovative Clinical Trials** - Application Due: October 25, 2016

**Fellowship - 2016-2017** Application Due: November 1, 2016

**Fellowship - Fall 2016 Priority Announcement (Specific Research Areas)** Application Due: November 1, 2016

**Doctoral Research Award - Vanier Canada Graduate Scholarships (2016-2017)** Application Due: November 2, 2016

**Note that we are still waiting for the Fall 2016 Project and Foundation Funding Opportunity Details which were to be released by CIHR on ResearchNet on June 30, 2016.**

**Pre-announcement: Innovation Grants – Health Services and Health Economics Research for Cancer Control**
The CIHR Institute of Cancer Research (ICR) is pleased to announce a new funding opportunity: Health Services and Health Economics Research for Cancer Control. This opportunity aims to support evidence-informed decision making related to policies, programs and practices in cancer care (including screening and prevention). The application of knowledge
gained from this research will assist in making improvements in care across the cancer control continuum (from prevention to palliation). Projects that examine vulnerable or underserved populations are encouraged.

Research area eligible for funding include:

- Disease management across the cancer continuum
- Development of mechanisms for timely adoption and implementation of research findings
- Investigation and development of solutions to overcome barriers to data access to integrate cancer health service delivery
- System sustainability through divestment (i.e., choosing wisely) and its promotion

This funding opportunity represents ICR’s first activity in support of its new Strategic Plan 2015-2020: Capturing Innovation to Prevent Cancer and Improve Cancer Control for Canadians.

**Call for Applications:** Summer 2016

**Full Application Deadline:** November 2016

**Anticipated Funding Start Date:** March 1, 2017

**The Health Outcomes Improvement Fund**
The Maternal, Newborn, Child and Youth (MNCY) Strategic Clinical Network (SCN), with support from Nutrition and Food Services at Alberta Health Services, has announced a Request for Proposals for a new funding opportunity – **The Health Outcomes Improvement Fund.** The mission of the MNCY SCN is “to bring together people, evidence and data to achieve the best possible health outcomes for mothers, newborns, children and families within a sustainable, publicly funded health care system.” The funds for this call are to facilitate this mission.

**Registration deadline:** 4:00 PM on July 15, 2016.

**Application deadline:** October 3, 2016

More information about the funding call, eligibility criteria, areas of focus and registration process can be found [here](#).

For additional information about the funding opportunity, please contact Seija Kromm (780-902-2940).

**Grand Challenges Canada Funding Opportunities**
Two new Grand Challenges funding opportunities are open to applicants across Canada. These are:

- **Stars in Reproductive, Maternal, Newborn, and Child Health:** seeking bold ideas for products, services and implementation models that could transform how persistent challenges in reproductive, maternal, newborn and child health are addressed in low- and middle-income countries. Successful proposals will be awarded seed grants of up to $100,000 CAD over a maximum of 12 to 18 months. **Application deadline:** July 19, 2016, at 3:00 PM ET

- **Saving Brains:** seeking bold ideas for products, services and implementation models that protect and nurture early brain development in a sustainable manner. Successful proposals will be awarded seed grants of up to $250,000 CAD over a maximum of 24 months. **Application deadline:** July 29, 2016, at 3:00 PM ET

More information on these funding opportunities can be found [here](#).

**TRIAGENCY NEWS**

**Federal Government Review of Fundamental Science Support**
The federal government has announced an independent review of federal funding of the basic sciences. This will assess the program machinery that is currently in place to support science and scientists in Canada. The scope of the review will include the three funding agencies (CIHR, NSERC and SSHRC), as well as additional agencies such as the Canada Foundation for Innovation. Outputs from this review will be core components of the federal government's Innovation Agenda.

**Tri-Agencies Adopt Statement of Principles on Digital Data Management**

Canada's three federal research granting agencies—the CIHR, NSERC and SSHRC—have adopted the Tri-Agency Statement of Principles on Digital Data Management as an important step towards strengthening research data management in Canada and maintaining Canada's research excellence. More information can be found [here](#).

**CIHR NEWS**

**$30 Million Federal Budget Allocation to CIHR**

Alain Beaudet (CIHR president) has announced in an open letter that the $30 million in additional funding to CIHR announced in [Budget 2016](#) will be entirely directed to the current and future Project Grant competitions, with a focus on early career investigators.

**CIHR 2014 Foundation Grant "Live Pilot" Report**

CIHR has compiled and released a report on the 2014 Foundation Grant "Live Pilot". This describes overall success rates and how the program feedback has been used to generate improvements in the 2015 Foundation Grant application and evaluation process. Related documents are available from CIHR:

- Letter from Alain Beaudet, CIHR President
- Appendices of the report, including figures and tables, can be requested [here](#).

**CIHR Announces Inaugural College of Reviewers Chairs**

CIHR has announced the appointment of an Executive Chair and fifteen College Chairs of the College of Reviewers. Further information can be found [here](#).

**Call for Nominations – CIHR HIV/AIDS Research Advisory Committee**

CIHR is seeking qualified individuals to join the CIHR HIV/AIDS Research Advisory Committee (CHARAC). CHARAC is comprised of members with expertise in various HIV/AIDS research pillars (biomedical, clinical, health services and policy research and population health research), government and HIV/AIDS community organizations. The committee has a mandate to provide advice to CIHR regarding research programs and priorities for HIV/AIDS. Membership on CHARAC requires a comprehensive knowledge of HIV/AIDS research, as well as a thorough understanding of the dynamics of the Canadian HIV/AIDS stakeholder and research community. Details of the nomination process can be found [here](#). The deadline for nominations is July 29, 2016.

**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](mailto: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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