**PROJECT & FOUNDATION UPDATES**

**Project & Foundation Application Deadlines & Resources**
The Project & Foundation Funding Opportunity Details are available on ResearchNet.

The **Project Deadlines** are as follows:
- Internal University of Alberta Deadline: 5:00 PM Edmonton time, October 5, 2016
- Application Deadline: October 18, 2016

The **Foundation Deadlines** are as follows:
- Internal University of Alberta Deadline: 5:00 PM Edmonton time, October 5, 2016
- Application Deadline Stage 1: October 13, 2016

Application instructions may be found here:
- Project Application Instructions
- Foundation Application Instructions

The Project Peer Review Manual is not yet available, thus we were not able to design a strategic checklist specifically for Project Grants. However, applicants may wish to download the Strategic Checklist for Unstructured Grant Proposals and/or Guidelines for Writing Research Proposals.
Final Update from the Working Group on the Project Competition
Dr. Paul Kubes, Chair of the CIHR Peer Review Working Group has released the final update of recommendations for the review of Fall 2016 Project Competition applications. These recommendations are summarized here and two recent recommendations are found below:

- **Four reviewers per application at Stage 1, two at Stage 2.** Of the original four reviewers, two will be chosen on the basis of the needed expertise to participate in Stage 2, which will comprise face-to-face discussions in Ottawa. The identities of all reviewers will be available to those taking part in the Stage 2 discussions.
- **Selection of applications proceeding to Stage 2.** Approximately 40% of applications will be selected to proceed to Stage 2. Based on their score, ~30% of applications will be selected to proceed to Stage 2. The remaining applications will selected using additional criteria (e.g. applications with large scoring discrepancies, those flagged by Competition Chairs). The final breakdown of the ~40% will depend on the actual applications submitted to the project competition.

Lifting the Restriction on Applying to both Foundation & Project Competitions
Applicants are reminded that CIHR has lifted the restriction that limits researchers to applying to either the Foundation Grant or Project Grant competition. The following policies remain in place, however:

1. If applicants receive a 2016 Project grant as a Nominated Principal Applicant and go on to receive a Foundation grant as a Program Leader in future years, their Project grant will be rolled into their Foundation grant as is the case for all CIHR Investigator-Initiated grants.
2. Applicants cannot submit the same or similar application to overlapping competitions. If, at Stage 2 of the Foundation Grant competition, it becomes obvious that the same application has been submitted to the Project Grant competition, applicants will be asked to withdraw one of the applications.

The CIHR notice describing these changes can be found here.

Peer Review Process for Fall 2016 Indigenous Project Applications
CIHR is working with a Reference Group on Appropriate Review Practices for Indigenous Health Research to implement an interim iterative peer review process for applications relevant to Indigenous Health for the Fall 2016 Project Grant competition. More details can be found here.

List of Peer Reviewers from the Last Foundation & Project Competitions
The list of reviewers who made the last Foundation and Project Grant competitions possible is available.

**2015-2016 – Foundation Grant**
- Stage 1 – Virtual Chairs
- Stage 1 – Members
- Stage 2 – Virtual Chairs
- Stage 2 – Members
- Stage 3 – Chair, Scientific Officer, Members

**2016 Project Grant**
- Stage 1
- Stage 2

The Foundation Peer Review Manual is available, as is a Strategic Checklist for Stage 1 CIHR Foundation Applications. Information and instructions for Foundation Stage 1 Foundation reviewers can be found here.
Tag Cloud Analyses of Funded Foundation & Project Grant Titles
Have you ever wondered which words occur most frequently in funded CIHR Foundation and Project grant applications? We analyzed titles of funded 2014 and 2015 Foundation grants (270 applications) and funded 2016 Project grants (617 applications) using the Wordle™ algorithm. A wordle is a tag cloud representation of words in a compilation (e.g. a list of application titles) wherein the size of a word is representative of the relative frequency of its occurrence.

- Funded Foundation Grant Title Wordle
- Funded Project Grant Title Wordle

WORKSHOPS / WEBINARS

Project Competition Workshop Update
Because CIHR changed both the application structure and peer review process for the fall 2016 Project competition, we are not hosting a Project workshop in preparation for the fall competition. However, anyone who would like to discuss the upcoming Project competition or their Project application may feel free to contact Joanne Simala-Grant (Director, Grant Assist Program [Health Science]) at jls24@ualberta.ca or 780-492-1566.

Preparing a Stage 1 Foundation Application Workshop
Join us to hear from Dr. Paul Melançon (CIHR Stage 1 Foundation Reviewer) and Dr. Evangelos Michelakis (CIHR Foundation Awardee and Reviewer), who will be sharing their insights into the CIHR Stage 1 Foundation application and review process.
**Time & Date:** 1:30 - 2:45 PM, Thursday September 29, 2016
**Location:** Oborowsky Degner Seminar Hall, 1-040 Li Ka Shing Centre for Health Research Innovation

Q&A Project Competition Webinars
CIHR is holding a series of webinars on the Fall 2016 Project competition. These webinars allow individuals the opportunity to ask any questions they may have about the application.

In advance of the webinar, participants are invited to consult the Project Grant web pages, which include updated supporting material and resources. Use the following links to register:

- **Tuesday, September 27 from 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM** Edmonton time (English)
- **Thursday, September 29 from 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM** Edmonton time (French)
- **Monday, October 3 from 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM** Edmonton time (English)
- **Tuesday, October 4 from 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM** Edmonton time (French)
- **Thursday, October 6 from 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM** Edmonton time (English)
- **Friday, October 7 from 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM** Edmonton time (French)
- **Tuesday, October 11 from 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM** Edmonton time (English)

Q&A Foundation Competition Webinars
CIHR is holding a series of webinars on the 2016 Stage 1 Foundation application. These webinars allow individuals the opportunity to ask any questions they may have about the Stage 1 application. In advance of the webinar, participants are invited to consult the Foundation Grant web pages, which include updated supporting material and resources. Use the following links to register for the webinar:

- **Wednesday, September 28 from 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM** MST (English)
- **Friday, September 30 from 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM** MST (French)
- **Wednesday, October 5 from 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM** MST (English)
- **Wednesday, October 12 from 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM** MST (French)

Lecture: Understanding Data Access in Alberta
The University of Alberta School of Public Health is hosting a lecture on the changing landscape of data access in Alberta. A diverse group of expert panel members, including Dean Eurich (Joint-lead Career Development Platform, Alberta SPOR SUPPORT Unit & School of Public Health), Stafford Dean (Alberta Health Services), Finlay McAllister (Data Platform Lead, Alberta SPOR SUPPORT Unit & Faculty of Medicine & Dentistry), Tim Murphy (Alberta Innovates-Health Solutions) and David Onyshchuk (Alberta Health), will be discussing the opportunities and challenges associated with accessing data repositories in Alberta.

- When: Wednesday, September 28: 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM
- Where: 1-182 Edmonton Clinic Health Academy

### FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

#### Training Modernization Start-up Grants in Health Services & Policy Research

The Start-Up Grant in Health Services and Policy Research (HSPR) is a one-year program that provides seed funding from the CIHR Institute of Health Services and Policy Research (CIHR-IHSPR) to catalyze a new era of impact-oriented, experiential (“hands on”) training for individuals with a PhD in HSPR or a related field with the goal of supporting stronger career readiness and enhanced health system impact.

The CIHR-IHSPR will host an information webinar for interested applicants on Wednesday, October 12th, 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM MST. Please click on this link to join the session, and for audio, dial: 1-866-827-6872 (conference code: 1081872#).

#### Pre-Announcement: Canadian Community Health Survey, Nutrition Analysis Operating Grants

The CIHR Institutes of Nutrition, Metabolism and Diabetes and Circulatory and Respiratory Health, in partnership with Health Canada, Statistics Canada, and the Canadian Nutrition Society are pleased to launch Canadian Community Health Survey – Nutrition Analysis Operating grants. This funding opportunity will support research related to the use of the 2015 CCHS data to answer population health questions. There will be a webinar describing this opportunity on October 6, 2016 (English 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM; French 12:30 PM to 1:30 PM MST). To register, email INMD Comms. Only registered participants will be sent a WebEx invite a week prior to the webinar.

#### Distinguished Lecturer in Respiratory Sciences Award Nominations

The CIHR Institute of Circulatory and Respiratory Health (ICRH) and the Canadian Thoracic Society (CTS) have established an annual Distinguished Lecturer in Respiratory Sciences Award in recognition of an outstanding contribution to respiratory sciences in Canada. The award will be presented at the 2017 Canadian Respiratory Conference where the recipient will give a keynote lecture. The recipient of the award will receive a $5,000 award in addition to coverage of travel expenses to the conference. To make a nomination, please complete the Distinguished Lecturer in Respiratory Sciences Award – Nomination Form and submit it to Laura McQuillan no later than Monday, October 24, 2016.

#### CIHR Funding Opportunities Posted Since August 1, 2016

See ResearchNet for all current CIHR Funding Opportunities

- Catalyst Grant - Health Services and Economics Research in Cancer Control - Registration: September 27, 2016; Application: November 22, 2016
- Catalyst Grant - Work Stress and Wellbeing Hackathon - Application: October 18, 2016
- SPOR Mentorship Chair in Innovative Clinical Trials - Application: November 15, 2016
- Population Health Intervention Research - Application: November 15, 2016
- Team Grant : Healthy Life Trajectories Initiative (HeLTI) – India - Letter of Intent: October 18, 2016; Application: February 14, 2017
- Social Inclusion of Individuals with Dementia and Carers - Application: September 27, 2016
- Canadian Community Health Survey – Nutrition Analysis - Application: November 15, 2016
- Health Services & Policy Research Training Modernization Start-Up Grant - Application:
November 22, 2016

Master's Award - 2016-2017 - Application: December 1, 2016
Improved Immunization Coverage Initiative - Application: December 6, 2016
Patient-Oriented Research Collaboration Grants - Application: December 13, 2016

CIHR NEWS

University of Alberta Appointments to CIHR Institutes Advisory Boards
The following University of Alberta researchers have been appointed to CIHR Institutes Advisory Boards (IABs):

- Jason Dyck (Faculty of Medicine & Dentistry) to the IAB on Chronic Conditions
- Greta Cummings (Faculty of Nursing) to the IAB on Research Excellence, Policy & Ethics

Canada's Fundamental Science Review - Call for Feedback
On June 13, the Federal Government launched an independent review of Canadian fundamental science funding. This will assess the program machinery that is currently in place to support science and scientists. An independent panel of research leaders has been charged with completing the review. This panel has been seeking input from the research community and wider society on how to optimize investigator-led science in Canada. Discussions have already taken place with the stakeholder groups that define Canada's scientific ecosystem.

If you haven’t already done so, please provide your feedback via the Science Review website by September 30, 2016.

Harmonization of Tri-Agency Training Post-Award Policies
The harmonized Tri-Agency Research Training Award Holder's Guide is now available in English and French.

STANDING ITEMS

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

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 cihrgroup@ualberta.ca

Subscribe to CIHR's Funding News
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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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