

## CIHR Project Grant Spring 2024

### Sponsor

Canadian Institutes of Health Research

### For More Information

Please see [CIHR's Update to the Spring 2024 Project Grant Competition](#) [1]. Please see key information regarding attachments that will no longer be accepted as part of the application package. Additionally, CIHR has confirmed they will be more stringent in their format review and compliance requirements. Faculty should ensure all applications are formatted according to [CIHR's guidelines](#) [2].

For additional information, please visit the [CIHR Project Grant website](#) [3]for:

- Program guidelines
- Application forms
- Full application instructions
- Evaluation criteria

**Webinar:** CIHR will be hosting webinar(s) to support participants with the requirements of this funding opportunity and to answer questions. To find out more information and to register, visit the [Webinars](#) [4] page.

### Description

The Project Grant program is designed to capture ideas with the greatest potential for important advances in fundamental or applied health-related knowledge, health care, health systems and/or health outcomes by supporting projects or programs of research proposed and conducted by individual researchers or groups of researchers in all areas of health. The best ideas may stem from new, incremental, innovative and/or high-risk lines of inquiry or knowledge translation approaches.

### Research Areas

The Project Grant program is open to applicants in all areas of health research that are aligned with the CIHR mandate: "To excel, according to internationally accepted standards of scientific excellence, in the creation of new knowledge and its translation into improved health for Canadians, more effective health services and products, and a strengthened Canadian health

care system."

The Project Grant program is expected to:

- Support a diverse portfolio of health-related research and knowledge translation proposals at any stage, from discovery to application, including commercialization
- Promote relevant collaborations across disciplines, professions and sectors
- Contribute to the creation and use of health-related knowledge.

**Priority Announcements** (PAs) offer additional sources of funding for highly rated applications that are relevant to specific research areas. Refer to the [Project Grant: Spring 2024 Priority Announcement](#) [1].

## Eligibility

For an application to be eligible, all the requirements stated below must be met:

1. The Nominated Principal Applicant (NPA) must be one of the following:
  1. an [independent researcher](#) [5] or a [knowledge user](#) [6] affiliated with a Canadian postsecondary institution and/or its affiliated institutions (including hospitals, research institutes and other non-profit organizations with a mandate for health research and/or knowledge translation) at the time of funding. If the Nominated Principal Applicant is a knowledge user, there **must** be at least one Principal Applicant who is an independent researcher OR
  2. an individual affiliated with an Indigenous non-governmental organization in Canada with a research and/or knowledge translation mandate. OR
  3. an Indigenous non-governmental organization in Canada with a research and/or knowledge translation mandate.
2. The NPA (individual) must have their [substantive role in Canada](#) [7] for the duration of the requested grant term.
3. The Institution Paid must be [authorized to administer CIHR funds](#) [8] before the funding can be released (see [Administration of Funds](#) [9]).
4. Principal Applicants must be independent researchers or knowledge users (inclusion of one or more Principal Applicants is optional). Individuals in the principal applicant role may not be a trainee or be in a subordinate position (i.e. directed or supervised by another), with respect to the subject matter of the proposed research/activities.
5. Co-Applicants can be one of the following (inclusion of one or more is optional):
  1. independent researchers
  2. knowledge users
  3. [trainees](#) [10]
  4. other.
6. An individual or an organization **cannot submit more than two Project Grant applications per competition as a Nominated Principal Applicant**. If the Nominated Principal Applicant submits more than two applications, CIHR will automatically withdraw the last application(s) submitted based on time-stamp of submission.
7. Applicants must comply with [CIHR's Policy on Identical / Essentially Identical](#)

[Applications](#) [11]

8. Individuals who hold a Foundation Grant in the role of Program Leader are eligible to apply to the Project Grant competition in the role of Nominated Principal Applicant or Principal Applicant [only 18 months prior to their grant expiry date](#) [12]. Please [contact CIHR](#) [13] if you have questions about your eligibility.

**Note: Inclusion within the ECR cohort is based on the ECR eligibility status of the Nominated Principal Applicant, at the application deadline.**

## Funding Availability

The total amount available for the Fall 2023 and Spring 2024 Project Grant Competitions is \$650M.

## Maximum Project Value

Within the investment allocated to each Project Grant competition, there will be a funding envelope of:

- \$16.25M dedicated to large grants. Large grants are defined as those within the top 2% largest total grant amount requested by all applicants within the competition and varies with each competition. This budget envelope is not intended for series of projects to be bundled together for long-term support. Individual grant applications requesting a total of more than the total dedicated amount for the competition will be withdrawn.
- \$14.95M (4.6%) dedicated to supporting applications with an Indigenous health research focus.
- a portion of the competition budget will also be reserved to **ensure that the proportion of grants funded is at least equal to the proportion of applications submitted by [early career researchers \(ECRs\)](#) [14], female applicants and for applicants submitting applications written in French.** Should the full amount set aside not be required, all remaining funds will be returned to the Project grant competition to further increase the number of grants funded.

## Indirect Costs

0%

## Deadlines

**If College-level review is required, your College will communicate its earlier internal deadlines.**

Type	Date	Notes
<b>External Deadline</b>	Wednesday, February 7, 2024 - 8:00pm	<b>Registration:</b> NPI to submit registration directly to sponsor

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		<p>via <a href="#">online application system ResearchNet</a> [15]. Application form will open once registration has been submitted.</p> <p>More information on this funding opportunity and <a href="#">Registration instructions</a> [16] can be found on the <a href="#">CIHR Project Grant website</a> [17].</p>
<b>Internal Deadline</b>	Wednesday, February 28, 2024 - 11:59pm	<p><b>Application:</b> NPI to submit a copy of application, routing slip and signed Participant Signature pages (if applicable) along with a complete OR5 form to <a href="mailto:research.services@uoguelph.ca">research.services@uoguelph.ca</a> [18].</p> <p>NPI must hit "submit" on ResearchNet on or before the internal deadline. The application will then be accessible to the Awards and Agreements Officer to review.</p>
<b>External Deadline</b>	Wednesday, March 6, 2024 - 4:30pm	<p><b>Application:</b> This funding opportunity follows the <a href="#">eApproval process</a>. [19] This means that when the applicant submits an application, it will be directed electronically to the Research Institution which the applicant has identified as the Institution Paid. The Research Institution will review the application and submit their approval electronically to CIHR on behalf of the applicant.</p> <p>To complete your application,</p>

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		<p>follow the <a href="#">instructions</a> [20] for this program along with any additional specific instructions and submission requirements list on the <a href="#">CIHR Project Grant website</a>. [17]</p> <p><b>NOTE:</b> Applications not following the <b>required</b> <a href="#">Grant application formatting</a> [2] will be removed from the competition</p> <p><b>Attach Other Application Material</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Letters of Support:</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◦ For applicants with a <b>pending appointment</b> including, but not limited to, early career researchers, a letter of support is required from the Dean of the Faculty indicating the date the appointment is expected to take effect. The appointment must commence by the effective date of funding.</li></ul></li><li>• <a href="#">CIHR Biosketch – Quick Reference Guide</a> [21]</li><li>• <a href="#">Project Grant: Frequently Asked Questions</a> [22]</li></ul>

## How to Apply

### Specific Instructions

- All participants listed, with the exception of collaborators, are required to:
  - Have/obtain a [CIHR PIN](#) [23]
  - Complete the [Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Self-identification Questionnaire](#) [24]
  - Although not required, **it is important to provide a PIN number for Collaborators.**
- **Indigenous Health Research (IHR):** For an application to be considered for review by the IHR committee and for the IHR peer review members to assess the level of engagement as required by the [TCPS 2 - Chapter 9 on Research Involving the First Nations, Inuit and Métis Peoples of Canada](#) [25] and Indigenous partnering community/organization ethical guidelines:
  - Select "yes" to the question regarding the TCPS 2 – Chapter 9 ("*Does your proposal address the TCPS 2 - Chapter 9 Research Involving the First Nations, Inuit and Métis Peoples of Canada and Indigenous partnering community/organizational ethical guidelines?*")
  - Provide a detailed justification in the related text field to indicate how the proposal addresses the principles of the TCPS 2 – Chapter 9
  - Select the Indigenous Health Research (IHR) committee as the first suggested peer review committee in Task 5.

## Information For Co-applicants

If you need to meet a deadline set by the lead institution for this opportunity, please ensure that you provide the Office of Research with at least five days in advance of the lead institution's deadline to review the application, or your proposed component of the project. Please be in touch with the Office of Research (contact information below) ahead of the deadline if it looks like it will be difficult for you to submit all the required documentation on time (i.e. budget, proposal, OR-5 Form).

For Questions, please contact

CIHR Contact Centre

Telephone: 613-954-1968

Toll Free: 1-888-603-4178

Email: [support-soutien@cihr-irsc.gc.ca](mailto:support-soutien@cihr-irsc.gc.ca) [26]

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### Links

- [1] <https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/53700.html>
- [2] <https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/29300.html>
- [3] <https://www.researchnet-recherchenet.ca/rnr16/vwOpprtntyDtls.do?prog=3961&view=currentOpps&org=CIHR&type=EXACT&resultCount=25&sort=program&all=1&masterList=true&language=E>
- [4] <http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/45096.html>
- [5] <http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/34190.html#r6>
- [6] <http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/34190.html#k4>
- [7] <https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/51197.html>
- [8] <https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/50805.html#g-4>
- [9] <https://www.researchnet-recherchenet.ca/rnr16/vwOpprtntyDtls.do?prog=3961&view=currentOpps&org=CIHR&type=EXACT&resultCount=25&sort=program&next=1&all=1&masterList=true#moreinformation>
- [10] <https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/34190.html#t2>
- [11] <https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/50805.html#g-5>
- [12] <https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/51600.html>
- [13] <https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/9833.html>
- [14] <https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/34190.html#r14>
- [15] <https://www.researchnet-recherchenet.ca/rnr16/LoginServlet?language=E>
- [16] <https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/49503.html>
- [17] <https://www.researchnet-recherchenet.ca/rnr16/vwOpprtntyDtls.do?prog=3961&view=currentOpps&org=CIHR&type=EXACT&resultCount=25&sort=program&p;next=1&all=1&masterList=true>
- [18] <mailto:research.services@uoguelph.ca>
- [19] <https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/38314.html>
- [20] <https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/49560.html>
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- [22] <https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/50762.html>
- [23] <http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/38201.html>
- [24] <http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/50959.html>
- [25] [https://ethics.gc.ca/eng/tcps2-eptc2\\_2022\\_chapter9-chapitre9.html](https://ethics.gc.ca/eng/tcps2-eptc2_2022_chapter9-chapitre9.html)
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