Dear All,

As part of the OSR Refresh process a total of $150,000 is being made available per year for the next three years to assist with furthering research within Sections. The $150,000 available will be allocated between sections to help with capacity building of research within individual sections, including resident research programs.

If your section would like to be allocated a portion of the funds available for 2019, please send a one-page proposal to osr@ucalgary.ca or to Maria Fernando, Department of Surgery Research Facilitator maria.fernando2@ahs.ca by October 5, 2018. If the funds are oversubscribed, the OSR Research Committee will review proposals and allocate the funds available.

Examples of what the funds can be used for include Research Assistants/Co-ordinators, funding of specific areas of research focus within your section, resident research funding (including conference travel), biostatistical support, research training etc.

The proposal should contain:

- Total request (you can request up to the full amount available, but if you request $150,000 you will likely not be allocated your full request)
- Budget
- What funds are going to be used for
- Timeframe for use
- Proposed deliverables (if any)

At the end of funding period each Section who have been allocated funds will be required to provide a report on how the funding was used and any publications, conference presentations or abstracts etc that can be attributed to the OSR funding. Proposals are made on behalf of a Section, therefore each Section can only submit one request per year for these funds.

Priority will be given to Sections who plan to utilize funds for support of young researchers, resident research or to general capacity building activities.

Sections are encouraged to match OSR funding with Value Adds or other Section funds and these applications will be given priority.

OSR funds cannot be carried forward year on year by Sections, any unspent funds at the end of the year will return to OSR.

If you would like further details or have any questions please contact Maria Fernando (Maria.Fernando2@ahs.ca), myself or Dr Claire Temple-Oberle.

Thank you.