Good Morning,

Planning is well underway for the CIHR Project Grant Fall 2020. A couple of important items:

1. **Research Services Office (RSO) Internal Deadline**: RSO has advised the following: Given the unfortunate timing with the Thanksgiving holiday, RSO staff will be working over the weekend to process the high volume of applications. *In this one instance only*, for those who need additional time RSO will accept applications until noon on Sunday, October 11, 2020. This flexibility reflects our efforts to accommodate the campus community in providing as much time as possible for application development. *Applications sent to RSO after this time will not be submitted to the agency.*


3. CIHR has announced they are temporarily adjusting the period of eligibility for an Early Career Researcher (ECR). *All those who held ECR status as of March 1, 2020, or who secured their first academic appointment after this date, will have their status extended by one year.*

4. You will have an additional 1 page in your application to discuss the impact of COVID-19 on the reduced ability to conduct research during the lockdown and progressive return to work - how the applicants were affected, depending of their stage of career, personal situations and area of research.

5. A reminder of the upcoming information sessions being done by our office. We will be hosting two opportunities to learn more about the preparation of your registration and full application, the content will be similar in both sessions. Please register by emailing Sara Mahjor (smahjor@ucalgary.ca).
   1. September 9th, 10:00am – 11:30am Register
   2. September 21st, Noon - 1:30pm Register

As always please don’t hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns you have related to your application.
Best,

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