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OADR Grant Development Office Weekly Digest

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Funding Opportunities

Canadian Cancer Society/CIHR/Brain Canada: Spark Grants: Novel Technology Applications in Cancer Prevention and Early Detection

Spark Grants will support preliminary research to establish proof of principle in novel cancer prevention and early detection approaches. The goal is to fund high risk, high reward studies, that provide sufficient rationale and/or preliminary data to convince reviewers of the novelty and feasibility of the proposed work. Spark grants are intended to support the development of new partnerships and the exploration of highly novel concepts, involving researchers from any research area, and particularly from non-traditional cancer fields, such as engineering, AI, robotics, physics, nanoscience, statistics, informatics, computer and data sciences, behavioural science, and any other discipline poised to seed the next generation of disruptive technologies in cancer control.

Specifically, the goals of this funding opportunity are:

- The development and/or application of a truly novel “out-of-the-box” technology to prevent cancer, or improve the sensitivity and/or specificity of primary diagnosis or detection of recurrence
- The novel repurposing of existing technologies from other research fields or sectors, that could be applied to cancer prevention or early detection
- Establishment and development of new multidisciplinary collaborations, including those that bring together individuals with skill sets not generally applied in the cancer field to address prevention or early detection

- Projects that, if successful, would disrupt existing methods and replace the status quo for cancer prevention and early detection

Please note that this competition will be part of the new Research Management System (RMS), and approvals will be obtained electronically. An abstract registration is required by CCSRI by August 28, 2020; the full application and approvals must be routed through RMS and reach Research Services by **NOON on October 14, 2020.**

Funding Deadline Calendar

Upcoming OADR Grant Development Webinar

Money, money, money: All about grant budgets

Wednesday, August 26, 2020, 11:00 AM - Noon

Learn how you can use your budget and budget justification to enhance your research proposal and get tips and tricks for creating your grant budget.

Presenter: Brandi Povitz, Research Grants Development Office, OADR Grant Development Office

With insights from: Ray Turner, Associate Dean Research, Cumming School of Medicine and **Deborah Marshall**, Internal Peer Review Lead, O'Brien Institute for Public Health

Send your budgeting questions in advance to [Brandi Povitz](#). View past OADR Grant Development Webinars on our [Internal Peer Review Website](#).

[Register for Webinar](#)

SSHRC Insight Grant Information Session

Tuesday, August 18, 2020, 1:30 PM

Join **Dr. Penny Pexman**, Associate Vice-President (Research) and UCalgary Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) Lead, along with the **External Grants and Knowledge Engagement team from Research Services**, for an information session on SSHRC Insight Grants including a deep dive into the knowledge mobilization requirements.

Topics to be covered include:

- Institutional perspective on SSHRC applications
- Overview of the Insight Grants competition, including:
 - success rates
 - eligibility of applicants
 - subject matter eligibility
 - application content
 - SSHRC web-based CV

- Knowledge mobilization and impact planning
- Deadlines and resources

This session will be offered through Zoom. Attendees will receive a Zoom URL upon registration.

Register for Webinar

Everyone is welcome. Please mute yourself and turn off your video for the duration of the call to ensure stability for the call. Questions can be asked in the chat box and the moderator will present them to the panelists during the Q&A period.

Additional resources: For more information please about the internal process for applying to this competition, please visit the funding calendar or contact [Gary Markoski](#)

CIHR Institute of Indigenous Peoples' Health News

Pre-announcement: Indigenous Peoples and COVID-19 Knowledge Synthesis, Evaluation and Assessment Grants Rapid Research Funding Opportunity

This funding opportunity will provide research funding for Indigenous communities (i.e., First Nations, Inuit, Métis and/or Urban Indigenous communities), Indigenous organizations and researchers of Indigenous ancestry (or researchers who provide evidence of having **meaningful and culturally safe involvement** with Indigenous Peoples) in Canada who are responding to the unique health and well-being needs of Indigenous Peoples as they relate to the COVID-19 pandemic. More specifically, this opportunity will support strengths-based, solutions-focused research that is bold, innovative, Indigenous community-led, and that addresses the immediate, intermediate, and/or long-term consequences of COVID-19 and/or informs future preparedness.

Anticipated Timeline:

Launch: Fall 2020

Application Deadline: December 2020

Notice of Decision: March 15, 2021

Funding Start Date: March 2021

Funds Available:

The total amount available for this funding opportunity is \$2M.

- The maximum amount per grant for **Knowledge Synthesis** grants is \$100,000 for one year.
- The maximum amount per grant for **Evaluation and Assessment** grants is \$200,000 for one year.

Knowledge Synthesis Grants: This stream will fund knowledge synthesis activities related to COVID-19 such as literature reviews (e.g. integrative review/structured review; synthesis of qualitative research; realistic review; meta-analysis of quantitative research; systematic review; and scoping review), needs

assessments, environmental scans, and knowledge gaps or strength identification (including community engagements, or arts-informed events, with Indigenous Elders and/or Knowledge Keepers, youth, decision-makers, etc.).

Evaluation and Assessment Grants: This stream will fund the evaluation and assessment of new or on-going initiatives, programs, policies or interventions related to COVID-19, including but not limited to, community-based and/or cultural initiatives, arts-based interventions, proof of concept, pilot studies, and social or economic impact studies.

For more information please see the [full announcement](#).

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