### Manitoba Centre for Nursing and Health Research (MCNHR)

B. W. Fallis Parkinson’s Care Research Grant

# Purpose

The B.W. Fallis Parkinson’s Care Research Grant provides funding for both qualitative and/or quantitative research examining the physical and/or psychosocial aspects of Parkinson’s disease (PD). This includes but is not limited to projects aimed at improving quality of life and care for persons living with Parkinson’s and/or their families; examining ethical issues that arise during the care of people living with PD, increasing our understanding and treatment of non-motor and motor symptoms of PD; addressing issues related to family caregiving, and facilitating access to services and supports for people living with Parkinson’s disease and their families. Research can focus on any phase of the illness trajectory of Parkinson’s disease from early diagnosis to end-of-life care. Biomedical and/or bench research in Parkinson’s disease is not eligible for this funding opportunity. There is one (1) award of $4,500 available for funding.

# Eligibility Criteria

1. The Principal Investigator must be a research affiliate or professional affiliate of the MCNHR. Information on applying for membership can be found on the MCNHR website.
2. Research team members do not have to be members of the MCNHR.
3. Projects related to graduate student thesis or dissertation research are eligible, but the principal applicant must be the academic supervisor and the academic supervisor must hold a primary academic appointment with the College of Nursing in the University of Manitoba.
4. Have submitted the highest-rated grant proposal for research related to Parkinson’s care, as determined by the MCNHR Research Grant Review Committee.
5. Preference will be given to applications that are from a nurse (be it a graduate nursing student, nursing faculty member or nurse in practice). If there are no applicants meeting this preference, the grant will be awarded to an applicant who meets the eligibility requirements as set out above.
6. The Principle Investigator cannot hold more than one (1) MCNHR Grant concurrently.

# Funding Guidelines

1. Funding to a maximum of $4,500 will be provided over a 2-year period. Applications requesting more than $4,500 will not be considered. If, at the end of 2 years, the funds are not expended and the project is not completed, consideration will be given to an applicant’s request to extend the termination date for one additional year. A request for extension of the grant must be made to the Associate Dean Research, College of Nursing, at least one (1) month prior to expiry of the grant. If funds are not expended or the project is terminated, all remaining funds must be returned to the MCNHR.
2. Funding is to cover direct research costs only, which may include personnel, equipment, supplies, travel for data collection purposes, and travel to one conference (up to a maximum of $1,000). Any equipment purchased is the property of the College of Nursing, University of Manitoba. No portion of the grant is to be used as salary for the principal investigator or graduate student (if applicable). Requests that are **solely** for the purpose of dissemination activities (ie. Conference travel, open access publishing, development of knowledge translation products etc) are not eligible.
3. Grant funds will be administered by the University of Manitoba. For applicants who do not hold professorial rank appointments at the University of Manitoba, the Associate Dean Research, College of Nursing, will have signing authority over the grant.
4. Receipt of funds is conditional upon approval of the research proposal by an appropriate University of Manitoba Research Ethics and or Animal/Biosafety Board. Ethics (and/or animal /biosafety) approval certificates must be obtained within 6 months of the award start date, or the grant will be forfeited. A three (3)-month extension of this requirement will only be provided if applicant(s) have submitted their ethics (and/or animal/biosafety) application and are awaiting approval. Exceptions will only be made to this guideline in cases where ethics approval is not required for the project (i.e., when the proposed project activities does not involve any of the following: human participants stem cells, animal, or biological samples).
5. A final project summary must be provided to the MCNHR at the within three (3) months of the end of the grant term.
6. Publications and presentations arising out of the research must acknowledge the funding support of the **B. W. Fallis Parkinson’s Care Research Grant**.
7. Applicants who receive funding will also be required to present their project within six (6) months at an MCNHR organized event such as the MCNHR Research Seminar Series or Annual Graduate Student Poster Competition.
8. Requests for full funding of a project will be given higher priority than requests for partial funding. If requests are for partial funding, applicants must explain their plans to secure additional funding to ensure their projects will be successfully implemented.
9. Research grants must be used for the project and purposes described in the application. Grant-holders wanting to transfer funds from one budget category to another in response to changing research needs or to use funds for a new budget item must secure the prior written approval of the MCNHR.
10. The Principal Investigator may replace, add, remove or promote individuals/team members on existing grants, provided that the rationale for replacing, adding, removing or promoting individual(s) has been deemed justifiable by the MCNHR. If you are adding or promoting team member(s), please provide a brief explanation of their expertise and proposed contributions to the project.

# Application Process

One complete electronic copy of the online application is required and should be submitted through the online submission portal at

<https://umnursing.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_dgxJNcZQ34TLMHP> .

Applicants must complete the research grant application and include a description of the project, not to exceed five (5) typewritten, single-spaced pages (excluding appendices and references).

**Application deadline is: April 15th.**

**NOTE:** In the event that April 15th falls on a statutory holiday or weekend, the deadline will be extended to the next business day.

# Review Process

Applications will be reviewed by the MCNHR Research Grant Review Committee. Proposals will be assessed on the basis of:

* Alignment of the project with the aims and goals of the research grant
* Scientific merit
* Significance/Relevance of the proposed project.

All applicants will be notified of the results within 2 months of competition deadlines.

**B.W. FALLIS PARKINSON’S CARE RESEARCH GRANT -APPLICATION FORM**

**TITLE OF RESEARCH PROPOSAL:**

**Principal Investigator:**

**E-mail:**

**Telephone:**

**Additional Co-Investigators: (List names)**

**ETHICAL REVIEW:**

Ethics Approved:  Yes  No

Pending:  Yes  No

Date of ethical approval received/or expected:

**ADDITIONAL FUNDING**

Do you currently hold any other funding, or have you applied for any other funding for this project?

 Yes

 No

If yes, please provide funding details (agency name, amount funded, funding period, % of overlap with the current project and describe the extent of overlap).

**PARTIAL FUNDING**

**Please Note:** Requests for full funding of a project will be given higher priority than requests for partial funding. If requests are for partial funding, applications must explain their plans to secure additional funding to ensure their projects will be successfully implemented.

Does your project involve a request for partial funding?

 Yes

 No

If yes, please explain your plans to secure additional funding to ensure your project will be successfully implemented.

**BUDGET**

**Summarize your budget. All items must be detailed in the Budget Justification and Explanation Section. Please ensure this information is comprehensive and accurate. Please consult the MCNHR for current rates for personnel. MCNHR will not provide additional funding for costs incurred above what is outlined in your budget.**

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| **Item** |  **Amount** |
| Salaries  |  |
| Materials/Supplies |  |
| Equipment |  |
| Travel |  |
| Other |  |
|  Total Project Costs |  |
|  Total Amount Requested  |  |

**Applications requesting more than $4,500 will not be considered.**

**Budget Justification and Explanation Section**

Provide a clear and detailed justification for each budget item and relate it to the objectives and requirements of the proposed research (maximum 2 pages).

**RESEARCH PROPOSAL**

Provide a description of the project, not to exceed five (5) typewritten, single-spaced pages (excluding appendices and references). Applicants must use 12-point font and a minimum 2-cm margin around all attached documents, including the project description.

**The 5-page research proposal should address:**

* Statement of the Research Problem/Purpose/Objectives
* Review of the Literature
* Conceptual Framework (if applicable)
* Methods: Design, Sample, Setting, Measurement, Procedure, Time Frame
* Data Analysis Plan
* Dissemination Plan
* Relevant research experience of the PI and or team
* Significance/Relevance for physical care and/or psychosocial aspects of Parkinson’s disease.
* For faculty/research affiliates:

\*Fit of the project within the applicant’s program of research

\*Plans for future funding

**Additional pages may be used for appendices and references.**

* Appendices should be limited to relevant support documents, such as copies of data collection forms and consent forms.
* References

To submit your application, go to the following link:

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APPLICATION FORM CHECKLIST

**CHECK OFF (** ✔**)**

 Application form is completed.

 Letter of approval by Research Ethics Board attached or status noted.

 Budget completed.

Body of the research proposal (excluding appendices and references) is not more than 5

single-spaced typed pages.