Researchers must follow their unit’s new electronic grant submission process.

All proposals applied for must be accompanied by a Funding Application Approval Form (FAAF) and must follow the deadlines (unless otherwise posted):

As a reminder, below are the ORS deadlines for submitting research proposals and FAAFs.

For large, complex grant applications (e.g., tri-agency major programs, those that require matching funds and/or additional institutional support, etc.)

- 10 working days in advance of agency deadline

For other regular and/or ‘rolling’ and one-time grants:

- 5 working days in advance of agency deadline

Also as a reminder, researchers should work with the University’s Research Facilitators early in the proposal development stage.

TRI- AGENCIES:

CANADIAN INSTITUTES OF HEALTH RESEARCH (CIHR):

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➤ Chair: 2018 Women Heart and Brain Health (WHBH) Chair Awards Application

Heart disease and stroke are a leading cause of death and disability among Canadian women. In fact, most Canadian women have at least one risk factor for heart disease and stroke – yet many women are not aware of this threat and do not know how to recognize the symptoms until it is too late. In comparison to non-Indigenous women, Indigenous women have a higher cardiovascular disease mortality rate.

The Canadian Federal Budget 2016 provides for an investment of $5 million over five years to Heart & Stroke to support with its partners, targeted research on women’s heart and brain health and to promote collaboration between research institutions across the country.

Relevant Research Areas
The sponsors are launching the Women Heart and Brain Health (WHBH) Chair Awards competition to support early and mid-career investigators who demonstrate a long-term commitment to women’s heart and brain health. The Knowledge Translation and Exchange (KTE) and research priority areas that this competition supports include proposals relevant to cardiovascular and/or cerebrovascular health in women. The Chairs are focused on CIHR’s Research Themes 3 (Health Services Research) and 4 (Social, Cultural, Environmental, and Population Health Research).

Four grants are available, one each to support a single:

i. Chair in Indigenous Women’s Heart and Brain Health – (early career)
ii. Chair in Indigenous Women’s Heart and Brain Health – (mid-career)
iii. Chair in Women’s Heart and Brain Health – (early career)
iv. Chair in Women’s Heart and Brain Health – (mid-career)

**Funds Available**

The total amount available for this funding opportunity is $3,375,000, enough to fund the following:

- Up to four (4) Chair, with a per grant maximum value of $150,000/year for 5 years.
- An additional supplement to support the salary of the successful applicant within the early career Chair in Indigenous Women’s Heart and Brain Health, with a maximum value of $75,000/year for 5 years.

**Registration Deadline:** February 28, 2018
**Application Deadline:** April 27, 2018
**ORS Deadline:** April 20, 2018
**ORS Contact:** Bryn Jones Square, Research Grants Office (CIHR), bryn.jonessquare@umanitoba.ca

**Development Grants for Network Environments for Indigenous Health Research (NEIHR) Pre-Announcement:**

This funding opportunity aims to address the CIHR strategic research priority area of *Health and Wellness for Aboriginal Peoples* by establishing a solid foundation for Indigenous health research driven by and grounded in Indigenous (First Nations, Inuit and Metis) communities in Canada. This will be accomplished by supporting 12 one-year development grants, which will bring together Indigenous Peoples/Communities/Organizations and other members of the research team, including researchers, knowledge-users and/or partners, to undertake initial planning and proposal development in preparation of an anticipated future CIHR full NEIHR Network grant RFA. The Development Grants will provide support for proposal preparation activities, community personnel support, and travel support to attend gatherings of Indigenous communities, researchers, knowledge users, stakeholders, and/or partners. The expected development activities include a preliminary review of the literature, and other information sources, along with a local and/or regional assessment to determine readiness, priority areas of interest and capacity within the community to develop a full NEIHR application to CIHR.

Looking ahead, the expected next step will be the launch of full NEIHR Network grants, which, at a minimum, will support one grant in each of the following regions: British
Columbia, Alberta Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Ontario, Quebec, Atlantic, and the North (represented by the three territories). Furthermore, one of the funded NEIHR grants will have the opportunity to serve as a national/international NEIHR coordinating centre for all of the funded NEIHR grants. This National/International NEIHR Coordinating Centre will need to liaise with the National/International CIHR Indigenous Mentorship Network (IMN) Coordinating Centre.

- Anticipated launch of the NEIHR Development Grant request for application: Winter 2018
- Anticipated deadline: Spring 2018
- Anticipated funding start date: Fall 2018

**Funds available**

The total amount available for this funding opportunity is $900,000, enough to fund approximately 12 grants.

The maximum amount per grant is $75,000 per year for up to 1 year.

**Application Deadline:** TBA
**ORS Deadline:** TBA
**ORS Contact:** Bryn Jones Square, Research Grants Office (CIHR), bryn.jonessquare@umanitoba.ca

- **Network Grant on Global Governance for Infectious Diseases - Pre-announcement:**
  This spring, CIHR’s Institute of Infection & Immunity (III) and Institute of Population & Public Health (IPPH) are launching a joint Network Grant funding opportunity focused on global governance of infectious diseases.

  This Network Grant aims to foster research collaborations on developing global governance arrangements and best practices for managing public health threats and infectious diseases. The Network Grant is meant to facilitate the creation of an interdisciplinary Canadian research network that can generate and apply new knowledge about effective global governance for health. The established Canadian network will be expected to connect to and build upon the work of a European Commission-funded International Network of Social Science Research Centres Hub, which serves to coordinate social science efforts that respond to the needs of global policymakers on infectious disease preparedness and antimicrobial resistance (AMR). With a focus on governance, oversight, and regulation from a global perspective, the established Canadian network will work with other networks in other countries to respond to and prevent the spread of infectious diseases.

  This grant opportunity will have two phases.

  **Letter of intent (LOI) stage:** The maximum amount available for a single planning grant at the LOI stage is $25,000 for up to one year. Up to five planning grants will be funded. These planning grants are intended to support the preparation of competitive proposals at the full application stage.

  **Full application stage:** The maximum amount available at the full application stage is $500,000 per annum, for up to four years, for a total of $2,000,000. One grant will be
awarded.

Full details for this opportunity are anticipated to be available on ResearchNet starting early May 2018. IPPH and III will provide further information about this opportunity closer to the launch date.

**Application Deadline:** TBA  
**ORS Deadline:** TBA  
**ORS Contact:** Bryn Jones Square, Research Grants Office (CIHR), bryn.jonessquare@umanitoba.ca

- **Operating Grant: SickKids-CIHR-IHDCYH New Investigator Grants in Child and Youth Health (2018)**  
The SickKids Foundation-CIHR-IHDCYH New Investigator Research Grants in Child and Youth Health program seeks to strengthen Canada’s capacity and knowledge to respond to children’s health challenges and needs. The grants are jointly sponsored by SickKids Foundation and the CIHR Institute of Human Development, Child and Youth Health (IHDCYH). New investigators (also referred to by CIHR as early career investigators) may obtain up to three years’ support for research in biomedical, clinical, health systems and services, population and public health sectors that has the potential for significant impact on children’s health outcomes.

**Research Areas**

This funding opportunity will support projects relevant to both SickKids Foundation’s mission and IHDCYH’s mandate: SickKids Foundation’s Mission is to improve the lives of children and their families in Canada and around the world.

IHDCYH’s mandate is to support research that ensures the best start in life for all Canadians and the achievement of their potential for optimal growth and development. This broad mandate covers defined time periods and a wide range of issues pertaining to human development: pre-conception; fertilization; embryonic and fetal development; the health of the mother and father; and the health and development of infants, children and youth (up to 25 years of age).

**Funds Available**

The total amount available for this funding opportunity is $1,800,000, enough to fund approximately six (6) grants. The maximum amount for a single grant is $100,000 per annum for up to three (3) years.

- Of this $1,800,000:
  - IHDCYH’s contribution is $300,000;
  - SKF’s contribution is $1,500,000.

**Application Deadline:** April 20, 2018  
**ORS Deadline:** April 13, 2018  
**ORS Contact:** Bryn Jones Square, Research Grants Office (CIHR), bryn.jonessquare@umanitoba.ca
CANADIAN FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- The Agriculture Funding Consortium (AFC) – Call for Letters of Intent
  Please be advised this is a month earlier than in previous years - LOI forms will be updated by the date of the call opening (March 1st, 2018) and will vary slightly from previous years format.
  Please visit the AFC website for important details and updates, as well as important information provided by each AFC member organization: http://www.fundingconsortium.ca/
  Priorities from each AFC member organization have been provided on the website.
  Applicants, please note it is highly recommended that you review the priority areas listed for each relevant AFC member prior to writing and submitting a Letter of Intent and should clearly communicate the priorities that are to be addressed by the proposed project.

  LOI Deadline: April 13, 2018 - 12:00PM (Noon)
  Invites to Full Proposals Sent to Applicants: May 11, 2018 – by 4:00PM
  Agency Full Proposal Deadline: August 10, 2018
  ORS Full Proposal Deadline: July 27, 2018
  ORS Contact: Holly Musto, Research Contract Coordinator, holly.musto@umanitoba.ca

INTERNAL GRANTS:

- UM/SSHRC Explore Grants Program
  Formerly known as the UM/SSHRC RGP, this program provides support for small-scale research projects in the social sciences and humanities. Open to researchers in SSHRC-supported disciplines.

  Application Deadline: April 1, 2018 at 4:30 pm
  ORS Contact: Jenna Silva, Research Grants Officer (Institutional): jenna.silva@umanitoba.ca

- UM/SSHRC Exchange Grants Program
  Formerly known as the UM/SSHRC TGP, this program provides support for researchers to participate in international conferences of major scholarly significance. Open to researchers in SSHRC-supported disciplines.

  Application Deadline: April 1, 2018 at 4:30 pm
  ORS Contact: Jenna Silva, Research Grants Officer (Institutional): jenna.silva@umanitoba.ca

- University Research Grants Program (URGP)
  This program stimulates and supports the growth of research at the university. New faculty are particularly encouraged to apply. The Spring competition is intended for established faculty.

  Application Deadline: April 1, 2018 at 4:30 pm
  ORS Contact: Jenna Silva, Research Grants Officer (Institutional): jenna.silva@umanitoba.ca
INTERNATIONAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **Academics Without Borders call for proposals**
  Academics Without Borders/ Universitaires sans frontières (AWB - USF) is seeking project proposals from faculty members and staff at universities in the AWB-USF network such as the University of Manitoba for capacity building projects in an institution of higher learning in the developing world. Projects could focus on health, teaching and learning methodology, academic disciplines, student services or university back office operations, that is, any area in which universities are involved. The partner institution must be an accredited, public or private, non-profit institution of higher learning in a developing country (ask for the list of eligible countries) that is willing to enter into a partnership with AWB-USF. The initiative must contribute to sustainable institutional development and have the support of the partner institution. You may obtain the complete call for proposals by contacting Cameron.Zywina@umanitoba.ca

**Information sessions:**
- 3 pm, Wednesday, March 7 - 141 Apotex Centre
- 3 pm, Thursday, March 8 - 210 Helen Glass Centre

**Agency project proposal (first of 2 steps) deadline:** March 30, 2018

**International Centre deadline** (submit to Cameron.Zywina@umanitoba.ca): March 19, 2018

For more information on ORS procedures and who to contact, please visit the ORS website at [http://www.umanitoba.ca/research/ors](http://www.umanitoba.ca/research/ors)