



## CDTRP Trainee Travel Award - Terms of Reference 2024

### OBJECTIVES AND SCOPE

This collaborative effort between the CDTRP and our partners is intended to provide travel support to trainees in the transplant and donation field travel to the CDTRP Annual Scientific Meeting to present their work at a national conference.

For the 2024 competition, the CDTRP is offering \$10,800 to support trainee travel and registration costs, committed through its Research Services Platform to successful CDTRP researchers' grant applications. We are proud to offer support to 24 trainees through this program.

In addition, CDTRP is proud to partner with the following organizations to provide funding to support at least five \$1,000 trainee travel awards provided to the highest-ranked abstracts:

- Canadian Institute of Health Research
- Simon Fraser University

The CDTRP developed the guidelines for the competition, will receive and process the abstracts, and will evaluate and rank the applications through a competitively reviewed process facilitated by the CDTRP Education and Career Development platform.

Each award will be issued to the successful applicant(s) via the partnering institution.

### KEY DATES

Abstract Open: May 1

Abstract Deadline: July 26

Notification Date: Early Fall

### ELIGIBILITY AND RELEVANCE

The CDTRP shall receive and process abstracts and evaluate the submitted abstracts for relevance and eligibility to the competition before peer review. Abstracts will be deemed eligible and relevant based on the following:





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The Trainee must:

- Be a graduate student, medical student, post-doctoral researcher or clinical fellow at a Canadian University or research institution.
- Must be a participating CDTRP [Education and Career Development Platform](#) member to receive an award.

The Abstract must:

- Address CDTRP's mission, which is to drive advances in Canadian donation and transplantation research and mobilize knowledge so that every wish to donate is fulfilled and transplantation is transformed from a treatment to a lasting and sustainable cure.
- Align with at least one of the [5 Themes of the CDTRP](#).

#### **CONDITIONS OF THE CDTRP TRAINEE TRAVEL AWARDS**

- The trainee must attend and present their work at the CDTRP Annual Scientific Meeting in person.
- Participate or attend the Cross-Talking Plain Language session.

#### **REVIEW CRITERIA**

All abstracts will first be reviewed by the CDTRP management team to ensure eligibility and relevance to the terms of the competition. Applications deemed either not eligible or not relevant to the competition will be removed from the competition and will not be evaluated by the Peer Review Committee. If a member of the CDTRP Peer Review committee is involved in the project or is deemed in conflict, he or she will recuse themselves from the decision-making process.

A peer review committee, which will include CDTRP Education and Career Development platform co-leads and patient partners members of the Annual Scientific Meeting planning committee, will evaluate all relevant abstracts based on the following criteria:





## ABSTRACT EVALUATION

### Objectives/Outcomes 25%

- Does the abstract address the significance of the project/research within the context of ODT?
- Are the objectives/outcomes of the presentation clearly defined and measurable?
- Does the content align with these objectives/outcomes?

### Clarity of the Abstract 25%

- Is the abstract concise and to the point, and does it depict a whole picture?
- Are the aims, methods, results, and conclusions presented?
- Does the abstract clearly outline what the presentation would cover?

### Innovation and Novelty 25%

- Does the abstract introduce new ideas, methodologies, or findings that are of interest and relevance to the field of ODT?
- Is the project/research original, and does it contribute new knowledge or perspectives?
- How well does the project/research contribute to advancing the goals of the selected theme?

### Potential Impact 25%

- Does the abstract indicate a potential for a significant impact on ODT?
- Are the implications of the research or project meaningful and relevant?

