

Next Ten Years of Transforming Lives

Objectives: Support research teams to secure large-scale funding for ambitious, highimpact research projects that will have a concrete impact on the lives of patients, families, and donors, that both leverage and continue to invest in the infrastructure of the CDTRP.

Eligibility:

- 1. Applicants must be applying to a large-scale grant funding opportunity (>\$2M) with an expected submission date in 2024 or 2025.
- 2. For the pilot phase of this program, a current CDTRP Executive Member must be the NPA or endorse the proposal and be a member of the research team. The NPA must be a CDTRP member at the time of application.
- **3.** The proposed project must build on a successful, completed CDTRP-supported project. The successful completed project could be an Innovation Grant, CDTRP-funded project, completed CIHR Planning and Dissemination project supported by the CDTRP, or any other project where CDTRP has made an important contribution. "Successful" means there is a tangible output, such as a publication or report.
- Teams are expected to be pan-Canadian and can have international members. Due to the source of funding, the team must include researchers based in Ontario.
- 5. International funding opportunities such as Horizon Europe are welcome.

On offer:

- Up to \$15,000 in CDTRP staff time to support development of the project and grant application, including brokering partnerships and collaboration, strategic planning, writing support, and coordination of administrative elements (e.g., CVs, support letters, and signatures).
- CDTRP staff can assist in applying for a planning grant to increase the funding available for proposal development.
- Up to 20 hours (\$1000) of Patient, Family, Donor partner compensation to apply to the development of the grant application.
- Up to \$50,000 in matching funds for the project budget to be used for the direct costs of research (equipment, supplies, salaries, travel, etc.). These funds can be described as committed match funding in the submitted project budget but will be provided only if the large grant proposal is successful.
- Support to work with CDTRP's partners (foundations, institutions) to assess their interest in pledging additional match funding.







Conditions of funding: Projects must contribute to building value within the CDTRP network

- Applications must include at least 5X the match funding amount (i.e., minimum \$250,000) in their project budget for activities integrated into CDTRP Platforms. CDTRP staff can help determine what platforms would best benefit the project.
- Applicants must include PFD Partnerships, including coordination and execution of the project's PFD engagement strategy
- Applicants may include any combination or number of the following platforms:
 - Research Services, such as project management and knowledge mobilization staff support for the project
 - Indigenous Platform, to support Indigenous-led activities as determined by Platform priorities
 - \circ $\;$ Education Platform, to support activities that benefit CDTRP trainees
- Successful applicants may be requested to participate in CDTRP and partner events. Funding provide by each organization must be acknowledged in any resulting presentations and publications.

Timeline and awards available:

- Phase 1 (Pilot): 2 awards available, applications open June 1, 2024
- Phase 2: 3 awards available, timeline to be determined after Phase 1 is complete

Application and selection process:

- CDTRP Executive member submits an application and short CV to info@cdtrp.ca. Questions prior to submission can be addressed to Katie Bain at <u>katie.bain@cdtrp.ca</u>. The application is free-form, maximum 2 pages that includes the name of the NPA and other confirmed team members, a project overview, statement of the target grant opportunity and anticipated submission deadline, and a list of CDTRP Platforms that would benefit the project.
- In the pilot phase, applications will be reviewed as received, and awards approved to those that meet the eligibility criteria and are felt to have strong potential for success.
- Applications will be approved by a committee of at least 3 individuals appointed by the CDTRP Board, including academic and PFD members not in conflict. A representative from relevant partner organizations will be invited to join the committee to assess whether they wish to support the proposal.
- Members of the CDTRP Board are not eligible to be the NPA for Phase 1.







Opportunity for partner organizations to participate:

- Partner organizations are invited to participate in this program by establishing an MOU with CDTRP outlining their scope of engagement.
- Mechanisms of engagement for partners are flexible, and could include offering additional pre-award support to selected projects (cash or in-kind), joining project proposals as collaborators, and/or offering match funding to projects.

Phase 1 evaluation:

- This program will be evaluated after the grant competition results are announced for the two pilot phase submissions.
- Specific elements for evaluation include: NPA eligibility criteria, minimum size of the project, level and types of match funding support provided, budget required for CDTRP-engaged activities, application and selection process, and program timeline.
- Evaluation will be completed by the CDTRP Executive with feedback from contributing partner organizations.



