

## **Programmatic Research to Tackle Health and Health Equity**

### **Announcement**

The CIHR Institute of Population and Public Health and its partners announce a strategic initiative entitled "Programmatic Research to Tackle Health and Health Equity".

The purpose of this funding opportunity is to support programmatic operating grants in population and public health research. Programmatic research involves connected sequences of conceptually related research projects, executed by the same group of investigators and their decision-making partners. This initiative will support programs of research in the following areas: 1) pathways to health equity, 2) population health interventions, and 3) implementation systems for population health interventions in public health and other sectors.

For more information on these themes, please consult the IPPH Strategic Plan (2009-2014): <http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/27322.html>

### **Objectives**

Support programmatic research that contributes new knowledge to improve health and health equity at a population level;

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- Facilitate effective knowledge translation approaches that enhance the integration and use of new and existing knowledge to inform decision-making in public health and other sectors.

### **Example**

Programmatic research to study population health interventions to improve household food security among the working poor

The program might include the examination of the relative impacts of housing, social assistance and food subsidy policy and program interventions on household food security; research on comparative policy intervention studies with another country or between jurisdictions within Canada, and active involvement of relevant social policy actors.

### **Value and term**

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- The maximum amount awarded for a single grant is \$400,000 per year for up to five years
- Equipment funds may be requested and will be awarded in year one.
- Developmental grants of up to \$15,000 may be offered, if requested, to successful applicants at the Letter of Intent stage (see Letter of Intent Instructions).

### **Important dates**

Letters of Intent Deadline	July 2, 2010
Letters of Intent Decision	November 1, 2010
Complete Application Deadline	February 2, 2011
Anticipated Application Decision	TBD (2011)
Funding Start Date	TBD (2011)

### **Web link**

Please visit <http://www.researchnet-recherchenet.ca/rnr16/vwOpprtntyDtIs.do?prog=976&&view=currentOpps&org=CIHR&type=AND&resultCount=25&sort=program&all=1&masterList=true> for more information.

### **Virtual capacity-building sessions**

To support the research community in effectively responding to this Funding Opportunity, IPPH is planning a series of one-hour virtual capacity-building sessions for interested applicants.

1- **Wednesday, May 19th** , 2010 from 10:00 - 11:00 AM (EDT)

Question and answer session in English and French

Hosted by Allison Jackson , Deputy Director, Program Delivery, Targeted Initiatives Branch, Canadian Institutes of Health Research

2- **Friday, June 4th** , 2010 from 1:00 - 2:00 PM (EDT)

The presentation will be in French only but we can accommodate questions in both English and French

Hosted by Dr. Jennifer O'Loughlin , Département de Médecine Sociale et Préventive Université de Montréal Centre de Recherche du CHUM

3- An additional session hosted in English is being planned. Date and time will be confirmed shortly.

The “virtual” nature of these sessions means that all one needs is a telephone and internet connection to participate and no travel is required. We hold the sessions in partnership with CHNET-Works! <http://www.chnet-works.ca/> and take advantage of innovative desktop sharing technology called Bridgit to support the virtual discussions.

To register, please visit: [http://www.chnet-works.ca/index.php?option=com\\_rsevents&view=events&Itemid=6&lang=en](http://www.chnet-works.ca/index.php?option=com_rsevents&view=events&Itemid=6&lang=en) (choose the session of interest, create a login account, login and register. For assistance contact [ipph-ispp@uottawa.ca](mailto:ipph-ispp@uottawa.ca) )

We will answer your questions following the presentation. We kindly request that you submit any questions you might have in advance of the session: [ipph-ispp@uottawa.ca](mailto:ipph-ispp@uottawa.ca)

For more information please contact [ipph-ispp@uottawa.ca](mailto:ipph-ispp@uottawa.ca)

Who Should Attend? Interested applicants from across Canada.