

Current Funding Opportunities Weekly Update
(October 6, 2017)

Note: This is a weekly brief that will be distributed to Faculties and Centres at the University of Manitoba about new funding opportunities and other funding agency news items as appropriate. While we continue to work on effective means to communicate information to researchers within our University community, we welcome your comments.

As a reminder, below are the ORS deadlines for submitting research proposals and FAFs (Funding Application Approval Form):

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

- **2 weeks in advance of agency deadline**

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

- **7 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.

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

TRI-COUNCIL AGENCIES:

CANADIAN INSTITUTES OF HEALTH RESEARCH (CIHR):

To get more CIHR news, please follow our CIHR University Delegate, Dr. Yvonne Myal. To subscribe to her CIHR University Delegate email list-serve, please send an email to Yvonne.Myal@umanitoba.ca.

To subscribe to *CIHR Funding News*, a free bulletin emailed to subscribers approximately once a month with the latest news on CIHR funding opportunities, decisions, policies and workshops, please visit the [CIHR Funding News webpage](#).

➤ **[SPOR – Patient-Oriented Research Collaboration Grants](#)**

The goal of this funding opportunity is to support research teams that contribute to capacity building efforts in patient-oriented research, as identified in the SPOR Capacity Development Framework, and catalyze opportunities for new/early career investigators to learn in the context of patient-oriented research teams. Examples of activities may include,

but are not limited to: planning or team-building activities that assist potential teams in working together to identify research questions or emerging issues and priorities or design a project or study which includes meaningful roles for all team members, including patients; Stand-alone patient-oriented research projects; Enhancing existing research projects to become patient-oriented in nature.

The team must include at least one member each of: independent researcher, patient, and healthcare professional or policy-maker. Applications led by early-career investigators will be given priority for funding. Applicants must secure partner contributions from non-federal sources to match the CIHR contribution at a minimum of 1:1 ratio. The maximum amount per grant is \$40,000 per year for up to one year.

Application Deadline: November 14, 2017

ORS Deadline: October 31, 2017

ORS Contact: Jackie Cooney-Birch, Research Grants Officer (CIHR), Jackie.Cooney-Birch@umanitoba.ca

➤ [Operating Grant : SPOR iCT Rewarding Success](#)

The Rewarding Success Initiative is an experimental funding model in which multidisciplinary teams will partner with payers of health services (e.g. Ministries of Health, Regional Health Authorities, insurers, hospitals, etc.) and/or charities and philanthropic organizations to design, implement, and evaluate interventions in healthcare delivery organizations to produce healthcare cost savings and/or improved health system efficiency. Teams will take advantage of innovative clinical trial designs to institute complex interventions that will allow them to iterate to improve the likelihood of success. If agreed-upon outcomes are achieved, the payer will redistribute a portion of the savings to the multidisciplinary research team and/or redirect the savings into an Innovation Fund.

The current deadline is for Phase 1, the submission of an “Idea Brief”. The Idea Brief provides applicants with the opportunity to outline their proposed idea to enhance value-based care, and/or address novel ways to equitably scale and spread successfully implemented innovations that improve value for money. The Idea Brief must address specific provincial priorities, outlined in detail in the funding opportunity.

All relevant Idea Briefs will be reviewed by the participating [SPOR SUPPORT Units](#) in partnership with their respective Ministries of Health. The selected Idea Briefs from each province will be invited to an “Ideathon” (Phase 2) to pitch their idea to a review panel and, if successful, will receive funding to develop a business case. A Phase 3 Team Grant, released through a separate funding opportunity, will be available for those projects funded through the Ideathon.

Application Deadline: November 21, 2017

ORS Deadline: November 14, 2017

ORS Contact: Jackie Cooney-Birch, Research Grants Officer (CIHR), Jackie.Cooney-Birch@umanitoba.ca

➤ [Operating Grant: Opioid Crisis Knowledge Synthesis](#)

This funding opportunity will support expedited knowledge synthesis grants to rapidly inform policies on opioids related to one or more pillars of the Canadian Drugs and Substances Strategy (i.e. prevention, treatment, harm reduction and enforcement). All forms of knowledge synthesis are eligible, including systematic reviews, realist syntheses, narrative syntheses, meta-analyses, meta-syntheses and meta-ethnography. Syntheses that are intended to lead to the development of practice guidelines are also eligible. The maximum amount per grant is \$110,000 for up to 6 months. Scoping reviews are also eligible under this opportunity for a maximum grant of \$60,000 for up to 6 months.

An [informational webinar](#) on this opportunity is available on October 17 at 12:30 CST.

Application Deadline: December 5, 2017

ORS Deadline: November 28, 2017

ORS Contact: Jackie Cooney-Birch, Research Grants Officer (CIHR), Jackie.Cooney-Birch@umanitoba.ca

INTERNAL GRANTS:

- [Research Grants Program \(UM/SSHRC RGP\)](#)
- [International Conference Travel Grants Program \(UM/SSHRC TGP\)](#)
- [University Collaborative Research Program \(UCRP\)](#)
- [University Indigenous Research Program \(UIRP\)](#)
- [University Research Grants Program \(URGP\)](#)

For more information, consult the Internal Funding Opportunities page:
http://umanitoba.ca/research/ors/um_funding.html

Application Deadline: October 15, 2017 at 4:30 pm

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jenna.silva@umanitoba.ca

MANITOBA FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

➤ **Canadian Paraplegic Association (Manitoba) Inc. [2017 Operating Grants](#)**

The Manitoba Spinal Cord Injury Research Committee (MSCIRC) is currently accepting applications for spinal cord injury research projects in Manitoba. Grants provided through this initiative aim to increase understanding of spinal cord function, reduce the disability related to spinal cord injury, increase functional capacity after spinal cord injury, and increase the quality of life and community integration after spinal cord injury. In addition, funding is available for projects that will clearly lead to reduced SCI-related health care costs and projects that have the potential to address SCI-related research and health delivery gaps in Manitoba. Grants will not exceed \$50,000 in value for one (1) year.

Full details, including the application forms, can be found at this website:

<http://www.cpamanitoba.ca/>

Application Deadline: November 24, 2017 at 4:00 pm

ORS Deadline: November 17, 2017

ORS Contact: Michelina Violi, Research Grant Officer (Health),

Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.ca

NETWORKS OF CENTRES OF EXCELLENCE (NCE):

➤ [AGE-WELL Riverview Health Centre Award](#)

AGE-WELL NCE Inc. and Riverview Health Centre Foundation have partnered to support one doctoral candidate or postdoctoral fellow pursue research on technologies to improve the quality of life 1) of persons living in personal care homes and/or 2) of staff working in these facilities to support the lives of residents. Projects that include a focus on Alzheimer's disease are of particular interest. The award is intended to enhance existing funding to a promising new scholar in the amount of \$30,000* over one (1) year.

Full details, including the application, can be found at this website: <http://agewell-nce.ca/opportunities>

Application Deadline: October 13, 2017

ORS Deadline: October 10, 2017

ORS Contact: Michelina Violi, Research Grant Officer (Health),

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OTHER FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

➤ [Canadian Agricultural Automation Cluster Calls for Proposals](#)

Vineland Research and Innovation Centre (Vineland) is inviting research proposals to join a large scale initiative for a Canadian Agricultural Automation Cluster with a goal to **improve labour productivity in Canadian agriculture**. The cluster will be seeking funding from Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada under their Agri-Science Clusters Program.

Projects in this new cluster must encompass **pre-commercial applied research**, with products approximately 2-5 years from commercialization. Research projects that address any part of the agriculture sector (e.g. livestock, dairy, poultry, field crops, horticulture and food processing) are welcome to apply.

Funding: Projects must include investment from industry which will be matched at a 2:1 ratio. Applicants may request funding from \$200,000 to \$2 million per project.

For more information, see:

http://www.vinelandresearch.com/sites/default/files/automation_cluster_call_for_proposals.pdf

Agency Deadlines: October 23, 2017 for LOI, November 14, 2017 for full proposal

ORS Deadline: October 16, 2017 for LOI, November 6, 2017 for full proposal

ORS Contact: Krista Sanger, Contracts Coordinator krista.sanger@umanitoba.ca

WORKSHOPS, EVENTS, MEETINGS:

SSHRC will be holding a series of webinars for applicants and research administrators on upcoming competitions. The webinars will be held via Adobe Connect at the following times:

Webinar	Date
Partnership Development Grants (English)	Tuesday, October 17 th , 2017, 14:00-16:00 ET
Partnership Grants – Stage 1 (English)	Wednesday, October 18 th , 2017, 12:00-14:00 ET
Partnership Development Grants (French)	Thursday, October 19 th , 2017, 14:00-16:00 ET
Partnership Grants – Stage 1 (French)	Friday, October 20 th , 2017, 12:00-14:00 ET
Connection Grants (English)	Wednesday, November 8 th , 2017, 12:30-15:00 ET
Connection Grants (French)	Thursday, November 9 th , 2017, 12:30-15:00 ET

Please note that you do not need to register in advance and a question and answer period will follow the presentation. With Adobe Connect, questions must be submitted in writing.