

APPLICANT GUIDE

DMNB Research Awards 2026/27

1. Overview

Dalhousie Medicine New Brunswick invites applications under one coordinated call for two aligned research competitions:

- Dal Med NB Health Research Award
- Chesley Family Research Award

Applicants submit a single application and may elect to be considered for either competition or both. The *purpose* of these awards is to:

- Support pilot or early-stage research
- Build sustainable research capacity
- Leverage future external funding
- Advance scholarship in New Brunswick

Total potential annual funding envelope: up to \$200,000. Range of individual awards issued: with minimum of \$20,000 and maximum of \$50,000.

2. Funding Streams

Dal Med NB Health Research Award

- Up to \$100,000 annually
- May fund one or multiple projects
- Final report submitted to DMNB

Chesley Family Research Award

- Total \$100,000 annually - Approximately \$60,000 Dalhousie endowment with \$40,000 ResearchNB matching
- Joint confirmation required
- Minimum fundability score 3.5/5
- Final report submitted via ResearchNB

3. Eligibility

Applicants must:

- Hold a Dalhousie University faculty appointment in New Brunswick
- Be eligible to hold research funds at Dalhousie University
- Conduct the majority of the proposed research activity in New Brunswick
- Principal Investigator salary is not eligible.
- All regulatory and ethics approvals must be obtained prior to release of funds, unless otherwise indicated.

4. Application Components

Applications must include:

A. Scientific Summary (Maximum 3 pages)

- Background and rationale
- Objectives
- Methods
- Feasibility
- Sustainability pathway

References may be included on a separate page.

B. Lay Summary (250 words maximum)

Plain-language explanation* including:

- The problem addressed
- Why it matters
- Anticipated impact

*May be used for announcements and communication materials.

C. Budget (1 page)

- Personnel (excluding PI salary)
- Supplies
- Equipment
- Travel
- Knowledge translation
- Statistical support Provide concise justification.

D. Impact Statement – Why This Matters (1 page)

To address:

- Strategic importance to DMNB
- Contribution to research capacity
- Future funding pathway
- Impact on New Brunswick

E. CV or CCV

Attach CV or provide CCV confirmation number.

5. Review Process

Applications will undergo peer review coordinated by DMNB using a standardized format (see below).

Chesley applications:

- Must achieve minimum overall score 3.5/5
- Ranked and shared in de-identified format
- Require joint confirmation prior to award

Dal Med NB Health Research Award applications:

- finalized internally,
- by review committee consisting of by Assistant Dean, Research, Research Manager, plus a DMNB faculty member.
- Funding decisions are subject to available funds.

6. Timeline (2026)

- Application Deadline (updated) - **April 30, 2026**
- Committee Review - May
- Award letters issued – June

7. Reporting

All recipients must submit:

- Final report
- Impact summary
- Financial confirmation

Chesley recipients submit reports via ResearchNB and MRDO as required.

Dal MED NB HRA recipients submit a final report to DMNB as required.

8. Recognition

Awardees will be recognized at the Annual DMNB Research Awards Celebration.

Funder must be acknowledged by award recipients in all poster/oral presentations and publications supported by the funding.