



March 29, 2021

## FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

From February 23 to March 29, 2021

- [Operating Grant: Emerging COVID-19 Research Gaps and Priorities Funding Opportunity](#)
- [Team Grant: Indirect Socio-Economic Burden of Inherited Diseases](#)
- [Operating Grant - CATCO Scale-Up COVID-19 Supplement Funding Opportunity](#)

### Pre-announcements

- [Pre-announcement: Healthy Cities Implementation Science Team Grants](#)

View these opportunities in the [CIHR Funding Opportunity Database](#).



## ON THE MIC WITH MIKE

In the first-ever video chat for On the Mic with Mike, Dr. Strong meets with Professor Timothy Caulfield, Canada Research Chair in Health Law & Policy from the University of Alberta. Together, they discuss the importance of fighting misinformation, building public trust in science, and finding good mentors.

On the Mic with Mike #7:

[Battling health bunk with Professor Timothy Caulfield](#)

[View previous episodes](#)

Online discussion

## Systemic Racism in Canada's health research funding system



### REMINDER: CIHR ONLINE DISCUSSION ON SYSTEMIC RACISM IN CANADA'S HEALTH RESEARCH FUNDING SYSTEM

CIHR is grateful for the participation in the online discussion on systemic racism in Canada's health research funding system thus far. There is still time to join the conversation. The online discussion is open until April 9, 2021.

To participate in the online discussion, we invite individuals to visit the [Let's Talk CIHR](#) webpage, click on "REGISTER to get involved", and follow the prompts to register for and join the online discussion. Please contact [edi@cihr-irsc.gc.ca](mailto:edi@cihr-irsc.gc.ca) if you have any questions.

A green banner for CIHR IRSC recruitment. The top left features the CIHR IRSC logo and the text "Canadian Institutes of Health Research" and "Instituts de recherche en santé du Canada". The main text reads "CIHR is recruiting members for its Institute Advisory Boards. Apply by April 12, 2021!". The background is filled with various icons representing research, technology, and industry, and silhouettes of people at the bottom.

### JOIN A CIHR INSTITUTE ADVISORY BOARD

CIHR is recruiting members to join its Institute Advisory Boards.

Applications **will be accepted until April 12, 2021**. New members will be invited to serve terms of three years beginning on September 1, 2021.

[Read more](#)

### CIHR'S STANDING COMMITTEE ON ETHICS IS RECRUITING MEMBERS

CIHR is seeking applications from qualified Canadian ethics experts to fill vacancies on the Standing Committee on Ethics.

[Learn more and apply](#)

## RESEARCH STUDY ON THE HEALTH IMPACTS OF INACTIVITY

CIHR has partnered with the Canadian Space Agency and the Canadian Frailty Network in a research study on the health impacts of inactivity. This study – a first of its kind in Canada – will examine the health impacts of inactivity on the human body and the effectiveness of physical exercises in staving off the effects of inactivity in older adults.



[Learn more](#)



## CANADA RESEARCH COORDINATING COMMITTEE (CRCC)

### 2019-2020 Progress Report

Together, CRCC member agencies and departments have taken important steps to build a stronger, more diverse and innovative research community for Canada. Read the report to learn about key actions taken and how the federal research funding agencies and the CFI are reporting on shared performance indicators for equity, diversity and inclusion and early career researcher initiatives.

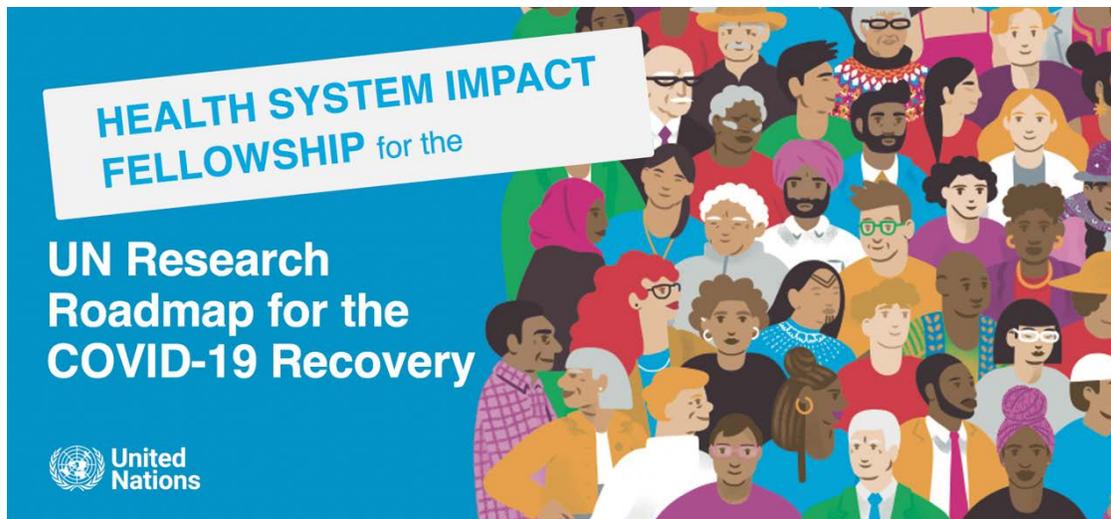
[Learn more](#)

## CANADA'S RESEARCH FUNDING AGENCIES LAUNCH RESEARCH DATA MANAGEMENT POLICY

Canada's three federal research funding agencies—CIHR, the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council and the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council —have launched the [Tri-Agency Research Data Management Policy](#). The policy promotes sound digital data management and data stewardship practices, including practices aligned with Indigenous data sovereignty.

[Learn more](#)

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## UN RESEARCH ROADMAP FOR THE COVID-19 RECOVERY: COMMENTARY AND INTRODUCTION OF SCOPING REVIEWS

The CIHR Institutes of Health Services and Policy Research and Population and Public Health are pleased to present their partnered commentary, “The Promise of Science, Knowledge Mobilization, and Rapid Learning Systems for COVID-19 Recovery”.

The article introduces five scoping reviews that informed the [United Nations Research Roadmap for the COVID-19 Recovery](#) and highlights the important contribution of innovative funding programs, such as the [Health System Impact Fellowship](#), to enable this type of rapid knowledge mobilization effort.

[Learn more](#)

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## WINTER 2021 SPOR UPDATE NOW AVAILABLE

The latest Strategy for Patient-Oriented Research (SPOR) Update newsletter is now available! Read a message from CIHR’s VP of Research Programs on the new CIHR Strategic Plan for 2021-2031, and catch up on the news from the SPOR community.

[Learn more](#)

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## MEET THE METHODS

Have you heard of [Meet the Methods](#)? The CIHR Institute of Gender and Health has introduced a new series to equip researchers and trainees with practical tips and tools to help integrate sex, gender and other identity factors into various fields of health research. In the latest issue, Greta Bauer, PhD, Epidemiology and

Biostatistics Professor at Western University and a [CIHR Sex and Gender Science Chair](#), shares her knowledge on quantitative intersectional study design and primary data collection.

[Read more](#)

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## WE WANT TO HEAR YOUR #MYVACCINATION STORY

Launched by Indigenous Services Canada on February 16, 2021, the #MyVacciNation campaign encourages Indigenous peoples to share their COVID-19 vaccine stories on social media. This is a callout for first-person testimonials about why you are planning on getting the COVID vaccine or, if you have already been vaccinated, what your vaccine experience was like.

Use the hashtag #MyVacciNation and follow Indigenous Services Canada's accounts on social media at [twitter.com/GCIndigenous](https://twitter.com/GCIndigenous), [facebook.com/GCIndigenousHealth](https://facebook.com/GCIndigenousHealth), and [instagram.com/GCIndigenous](https://instagram.com/GCIndigenous).

If you do not have a social media account or do not want to post on your account, you can send your videos/photos to [inac.ecommunications@canada.ca](mailto:inac.ecommunications@canada.ca). The digital team will review the content before posting it on the GCIndigenous and GCIndigenousHealth accounts.

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### DISCOVERIES FOR LIFE



### HEALTH RESEARCH IN ACTION

#### Hearing Our Voices: How a web-based curriculum is leading to better health care

When Dr. Naana Afua Jumah was completing the five-year Residency Program in Obstetrics and Gynaecology at the University of Toronto, she realized that something was missing.

A few years earlier, the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada had recognized the need for such residency programs to include training in Indigenous Peoples' health.

[Read more](#)

### SCIENTIFIC DIRECTORS' CORNER



**RARE DISEASE DAY**  
28 FEBRUARY 2021



### Rare Diseases: Not so rare

#### Message from Dr. Christopher McMaster

The conversation about rare diseases must continue. This time of year holds special significance for thousands of patients and families as rare diseases are almost certainly the most common disease class affecting children in Canada.

[Read more](#)

### March 24th is World Tuberculosis Day Dr. Carrie Bourassa speaks about tuberculosis among Indigenous Peoples and her personal story with the disease

Every year, March 24 provides an opportunity to raise awareness of TB, which is a serious infectious disease that affects people's lungs. TB is still not eradicated in Canada and in particular in the North among Inuit communities.

[Read more](#)



### The importance of sleep research

#### Regular Sleep, Healthy Future

Sleep disorders are a growing health concern across Canada. In addition to proper nutrition, regular exercise, and mitigation of other known health risks factors, sleep is a fundamental, albeit modifiable, contributor to a healthy lifestyle.

[Read the message from Dr. Brian H. Rowe](#)



## COVID-19

# Coronavirus disease (COVID-19)



## COVID-19 AND MENTAL HEALTH (CMH) INITIATIVE

### Key Messages: Mental health and substance use impacts of COVID-19

See important findings from research projects funded through the COVID-19 and Mental Health Initiative's [Knowledge Synthesis: COVID-19 in Mental Health and Substance Use](#) funding opportunity.

[Children, youth and families](#)

[Individuals with a chronic disease or chronic pain, and patients on waitlists](#)

## **Mental health and substance use impacts of COVID-19: Lay summary of knowledge synthesis projects**

The COVID-19 pandemic has resulted in increased mental health challenges and substance-related harms for many Canadians. This report summarizes the results of an in-depth analysis of the final reports submitted by knowledge synthesis grantees in November 2020.

[Read more](#)

### **NEWS TO KNOW**

- [Government of Canada invests \\$14.3M in new research to address COVID-19 variants](#)
- [Government of Canada invests to grow equity, diversity and inclusion capacity in the post-secondary research enterprise](#)
- [Government of Canada helps over 30,000 research staff through ongoing COVID-19 crisis](#)
- [Government of Canada invests in new COVID-19 research projects across the country](#)
- [Government of Canada announces new partnership with the Netherlands to fund type 2 diabetes research](#)

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