University Delegates (UD) Meeting Minutes – June 1, 2023

1. **From CIHR**

The Canadian Research Information System will be deactivated by August 31, 2023.

Other sources of CIHR funding decisions can be found at

Open Government
CIHR Funding Decisions Database

2. **Virtual versus In person Peer Review**
CIHR continues to consider the quality of peer review, and pros and cons of In person versus Virtual review. The Fall 2023 Peer review will be virtual.

3. **Across the Board Cuts and Peer Review Training**
CIHR aims to remove across the board cuts to budgets and is planning communication on this matter.

Increased training for Chairs and Scientific Officers are being considered.
Peer review training is evolving to increase the communities awareness of principles of the San Francisco Declaration on Research Assessment (DORA).

4. **The University Delegates discussed the need for increased funding for all CIHR programs.**

The Univeristy delegates discussed the need for investment in health research in Canada. Each University Delegate has been asked to communicate to the local community how we can collectively urge the federal government to consider increasing CIHR budgets to be closer to levels for other G20 countries. We will be communicating an opportunity for people who want express their support for investment in health research as a critical part of Canada's health and economic wellness to Members of Parliament, Ministers and Senators.

5. **Project Grant Competition Update** Spring and Fall 2023 Project Grant Competition

Application Deadline: **March 8, 2023**
Anticipated Notice of Recommendation (NOR): **July 6, 2022**
Anticipated Notice of Decision (NOD):   **July 20, 2022**
Funding Start Date: **October 1, 2022**

Fall competition Registration   **August 17, 2023**
Fall Application Deadline   **September 20, 2023**

Reminder: ResearchNet keeps a list of current funding opportunities. ResearchNet - RechercheNet