

University Delegates (UD) Meeting Minutes – December 5, 2024

Dr. Paul Hébert will join CIHR as its new President effective January 2, 2024. Dr. Hébert is a Professor at the University of Ottawa's Faculty of Medicine and previously at the Université de Montréal. He is a Clinical Scientist at the Bruyère Health Research Institute as well as a practicing palliative care and former critical care physician. [Read More](#)

Update to Notice of Recommendation and Notice of Decision templates for the Project Grant competition:

Starting in January 2025, applicants will not be informed of their rank within the committee but will be informed of the funding “zone” that the final scores fall into. The zones will be top 90-100%, 75-90%, 50-75%, 25-50% or 0-25%. Priority announcements results will be provided on Notice of Decision. Additional notes regarding formatting errors will be provided on Notice of Recommendation.

NOTE: Applicants in the 75-90% zone at the Notice of Recommendation may or may not be funded.

Guidance on the Use of Artificial Intelligence for Research Proposals: [Science.gc.ca](#)

Capstone research organization - [What We Heard Report: Canada.ca](#)

Tri-Agency CV Launch: Tri-agency CV – CIHR

The Tri-Agency CV is a narrative style CV that will replace the CCV. The [TCV](#) will continue to be piloted in select competitions in Spring 2025. CIHR, NSERC and SSHRC are meeting to review and incorporate feedback from applicants, reviewers, chairs and SOs. The TCV will **NOT** be used in Spring 2025 CIHR Projects Grants.

Update on Open Access:

2023: The tri-agency Presidents announced the review of the OA Policy, with the goal of requiring immediate OA. • 2024: [What We Heard Report](#) (summary of feedback from 2023-24 engagements)

- Next Steps: The agencies are developing a draft, Revised Policy to be released in early 2025 for public feedback. UDs are welcome to provide feedback and share with their colleagues and networks.
- End of 2025: Release of the revised OA Policy Comments or questions?

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Update on Anti Ableism:

Report released on December 3, 2024. [From Intention to Impact: The CIHR Anti-Ableism Action Plan Implementation](#)

- Continue engagement of staff in undertaking early activities and co-development of operational plans for future years.

Engagement and knowledge sharing:

- Continue to engage organizations that interact with CIHR to help us address ableism in the health research funding environment.
- Planning for a live event to promote CIHR's stance on anti-ableism, share knowledge and experiences of persons with disabilities related to ableism, and how we can collectively create an anti-ableist health research environment.

Important CIHR dates:

Current planned dates for Project Grant Webinars:

Wednesday January 22, 2025	11:00 AM -12:00PM EST (English)
Thursday February 6, 2025:	1:00 PM-2:00 PM EST (English)

Fall Notice of Recommendation (NOR): **Jan 15, 2025** -using funding zones instead of rank
Fall Anticipated Notice of Decision (NOD): **Jan 29, 2025**
Funding Start Date: **April 1, 2025**

Spring Registration **Feb 5, 2025**
Spring Deadline **March 5, 2025**
Spring Notice of Recommendation (NOR): **July 3, 2025**
Spring Anticipated Notice of Decision (NOD): **July 17, 2025**
Funding Start Date **Oct 1, 2025**

Reminder: ResearchNet keeps a list of Current Funding Opportunities and Priority Announcements.
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