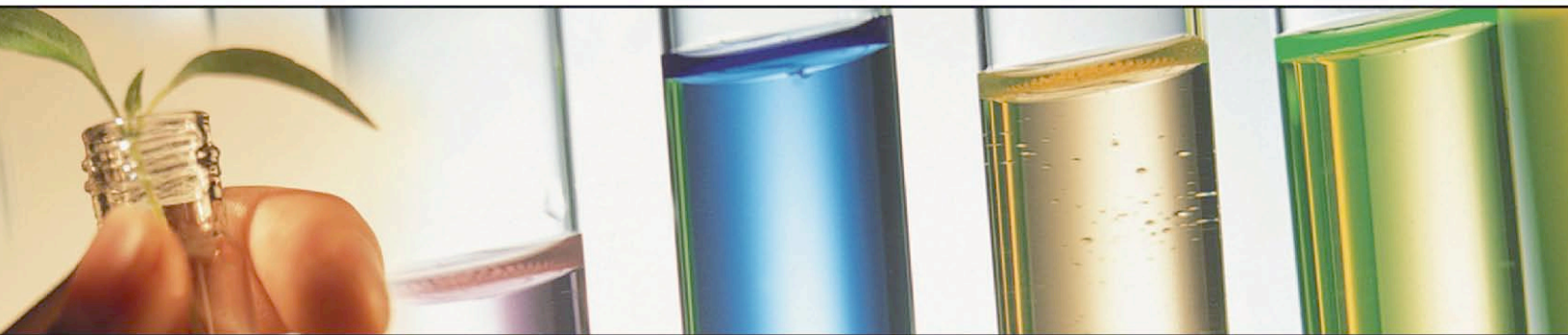


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BACKGROUND

The Nova Scotia – CIHR Regional Partnerships Program (RPP) is a funding opportunity for researchers at Nova Scotia academic and health care (research) institutions. Under the RPP, research funding applications that are judged to be of high scientific merit through CIHR peer review (scoring 3.5 and above), but are beyond the funding capacity of CIHR's base budget in the CIHR regular competitions, may be eligible to receive funding.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- The nominated principal applicant must hold an academic appointment at a Nova Scotia academic or health care (research) institution during the time of the grant award
- Only CIHR's bi-annual operating grant competition is RPP-eligible (new and renewals). Please note previously funded RPP grants are not eligible for renewal under RPP, consecutive RPP funding is not allowed for the same project
- The nominated principal applicant may not hold more than a total of four (4) years of RPP funding (effective April 1, 2008)
- The nominated principal applicant must demonstrate the relevance of the research project to the mandate of the NSHRF through the potential impact of the proposed research on the health of Nova Scotians

FUNDING DETAILS

- Operating grants, new and renewals, will be considered concurrently and funded based on scientific excellence in ascending percentile rank order of those applications scoring 3.5 or higher
- Operating grants may be awarded for up to three (3) years
- Grant renewals may be awarded for one (1) year (\$70,000 maximum)
- Funding must be awarded to an applicant at a Nova Scotia institution
- Applications approved for funding must provide NSHRF with a copy of the Scientific Officers Notes generated from the CIHR peer review process
- CIHR requires confirmation that all partner funding is in place before it will release funds to the host institution

APPLICATION PROCESS

- Applicants must submit to the CIHR regular competition by the CIHR deadline
- Within five (5) working days of the CIHR competition deadline, the applicant must submit an electronic application to the NSHRF via email: nshrf@gov.ns.ca for RPP consideration. This application MUST include:
 - i. A pdf copy of:
 - The CIHR application as submitted to ResearchNet including signature pages
 - ii. A cover letter in which the applicant demonstrates compliance with the eligibility criteria by:
 - Confirming that the nominated principal applicant has not requested more than three years of RPP funding for a new grant and no more than 1 year of RPP funding for a renewal
 - Noting the relevance of the research project to the mandate of the NSHRF by describing the potential impact the proposed research will have on the health of Nova Scotians

All of the above requirements are mandatory and must be complete and submitted on time to be considered eligible for RPP consideration.

When CIHR provides the results of the regular competition, the advisory committee will recommend grant funding based on fund availability.

FUNDING FORMULA

The ratio of co-funding is one CIHR dollar to one partner dollar with an annual maximum of \$1,000,000 in CIHR co-funding.

In Nova Scotia, the funding formula is: 50% CIHR, 25% NSHRF, 25% Other.

The nominated principal applicant must obtain the other 25% partner funding within seven (7) months of being approved for funding.

PROGRAM MANAGEMENT

The Nova Scotia Health Research Foundation manages the program at the provincial level. The NSHRF Research Advisory Committee oversees this program, which is responsible for approving applications for submission through the RPP. This program is also subject to CIHR RPP program policies. For more information about the RPP in Nova Scotia, please contact the Nova Scotia Health Research Foundation.

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