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BROCCOLI IS NOT HEALTHY UNLESS YOU EAT IT and research output does not become knowledge until it is put to use according to Dr. Susan Crawford, Assistant Director for the Institute of Aging (IA), Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR). Dr. Crawford offered some useful advice for both novice and experienced researchers at the recent collaborative research workshop, "Qualitative Research: What is the Point?"

First, Dr. Crawford emphasized that it is important to understand what research has already been done and how it might contribute to your work. There is an enormous amount of available but unused information, that has been produced by excellent researchers and with the right skills you may find that researchers have already answered your question.

Second, if you discover that your question has not yet been addressed, the next step is to think through how you are going to seek the answer and apply for a grant to fund your quest. Dr. Crawford suggested that novice researchers could start with local foundations, which typically do not require applicants to be successful academic researchers. As you build on your research record, you are more likely to become competitive at the national-level grants such as the ones offered by CIHR.

Finally, Dr. Crawford offered insight into how funding agencies evaluate grant applications. Reviewers will ask the following questions with each application:

1. Is this a good question and is it innovative?
2. Is the answer going to advance the health of Canadians?
3. Is the appropriate process described to get the answer?
4. Is there expertise here that will ensure this process can be carried out?
5. Is there a commitment to knowledge translation?
6. Is the budget justifiable?

If you require assistance at any stage of the research process, please don't hesitate to request a consultation with a member of the Research Capacity-building team with the "Request for Consultation" form on our web site:

http://www.viha.ca/rnd/capacity_building.htm

MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

The Research & Academic Development department successfully co-hosted the second collaborative research workshop, "Qualitative Research: What is the point?" with the Centre on Aging at the University of Victoria. The May 17th workshop attracted a mix of over 60 VIHA staff, UVic faculty and students and other health professionals from throughout British Columbia. The innovative workshop used theatre techniques to highlight the importance of the unique contributions that qualitative research can provide into health questions.



Stay tuned for details on the next collaborative research workshop in early November.

UPCOMING EVENTS

June

Enhancing Patient Safety Across the Continuum

The 2006 conference is intended to resonate across all parts of health service delivery by focusing on enhancing patient safety across the continuum.

June 8, 2006
Richmond, BC
www.whin.org

Women's Health Research Network 2006 Summer Institute

A forum for women's health researchers to share information on current research, connect with others doing women's health research, gauge new opportunities for working together, and find inspiration in the work of others.

There is no cost to attend, and travel will be supported by the Network.

June 14-15, 2006
Vancouver, BC
<http://www.whrn.ca/events.html>

Better Analysis for Better Decisions: Bridging the Gap between Economic Evaluation and Healthcare Decision-Making

June 19 & 20, 2006
Hamilton, ON

July

2006 Schizophrenia Society of Canada National Conference

July 1-15, 2006
Winnipeg, MB

Translating Research into Practice and Policy Conference

July 10-12, 2006
Washington, D.C.

August

Brain Development & Learning: Making Sense of the Science

Aug. 19-22, 2006
Vancouver, BC
www.interprofessional.ubc.ca

September

Canadian Association for Health Services and Policy Research Conference: Insight, Interaction and Innovation

September 17-19, 2006
Vancouver, BC

2006 CHSRF Primary Healthcare Network National Symposium Sustaining Primary Healthcare Renewal

September 19-20, 2006
Vancouver, BC

October

Canadian Association on Gerontology (CAG): Acknowledging our past, Building our future: Evidence-based practice in aging

October 26-28, 2006
Quebec City, QC

Canadian Rural Health Research Society Annual Conference - Taking Action Together.

October 19 - 21, 2006
Prince George, BC

November

Nursing Research Conference, Canadian Association of Schools of Nursing

- Research with Diverse Population: Culture, Gender and Health
- Research and Professional Practice: The Education / Practice Nexus
- Bridging the Gap in Health Service: Policy and Ethics

Abstract deadline: June 9
November 15-18, 2006
Victoria, BC

Research Use Week (West), Canadian Health Services Research Foundation

November 20-23, 2006
Edmonton, AB

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ONLINE RESOURCES

Grant writing tips: <http://www.bceoehn.ca/BCEOHRN-GrantWriting.html>
Critically evaluating journal articles:
<http://bmj.bmjournals.com/collections/read.shtml>
Research ethics at VIHA: http://www.viha.ca/rnd/research_ethics.htm

THE UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA PRESENTS

TWO Summer Health Promotion Institutes

July & August 2006

Location: University of Victoria

Cost: ***\$400.00 (five-day Institute)

Course Code: HSD 590

Both courses are being offered to:

Graduate students: Attending the University of Victoria for credits (1.5 units).

Community Members: For the purpose of professional development (no credit).

****This course is included in graduate students' set fees*

INSTITUTE I

Featuring Guest Speakers:

*Joan Wharf Higgins; Elizabeth Bannister;
Jennifer Mullett; Ted Reiken; Marjorie
MacDonald; and Martin Taylor*

Dates: July 12 - 18, 2006
Time: 9:00 - 4:00

**Community-Based Research and Evaluation:
Collaborative Action for Health & Social Change**

Learn how to develop and plan community-based research and evaluation (CBR&E).

Opportunities in the class will include:

- To explore the process of developing collaborative research partnerships,
- To understand the principles of CBR&E,
- To consider pertinent ethical issues,
- To choose appropriate methods,
- And to write proposals within communities.

Additionally, participants will design a research or evaluation plan that could be used in their workplace.

The five day institute will be highly interactive, will build on the experiences and needs of the participants, and will emphasize the relationship between theory and practice.

Facilitators:

Marcia Hills, RN, PhD, Professor, UVic School of Nursing and Director, Centre for Community Health Promotion Research
Simon Carroll, Research Development Coordinator, Centre for Community Health Promotion Research

For more information please contact the Centre for Community Health Promotion Research at (250) 472-5349 or ajeffery@uvic.ca.

INSTITUTE II

Featuring Guest Speakers:

*Martin Taylor; John Frank; Penny Ballem;
and David Butler Jones*

Dates: August 9 - 15, 2006
Time: 9:00 - 4:00

**Strengthening Communities While Reorienting Health
Services & Building Healthy Public Policy: Creating
Conditions for Health**

Health sector reform requires an integrated approach to reorienting health services, strengthening communities, and developing healthy policy that supports and sustains change. The five-day institute will be highly interactive, will build on the experiences and needs of the participants, and will emphasize the relationship between theory and practice.

As well, examine the issues and challenges inherent in achieving change using these three strategies of the Ottawa Charter for Health Promotion (1986) and will explore methodologies that enhance the linkage between policy, practice and research. Guest lecturers, national leaders and experts in each of the areas of health policy, health services and healthy communities will lead discussions on the latest thinking in the field.

This course will be highly interactive, providing participants with the opportunity to engage in dialogue with national leaders in the area of health promotion and health reform.

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Funding Agency	Description	Length of funding (years)	Total Funding	Registration/Letter of Intent due	Full Application due	Web site
BC Medical Services Foundation- Research	Funding is directed towards projects that will have a direct impact on health and health care in BC with a particular interest in rural and remote health and health care and value submissions from all regions of the province. Studies/projects/investigations that apply research methodology to health, the provision of health care and current practical clinical problems, population health, or health systems or services will be considered.	5	\$ 50,000	8 weeks before full grant application	First Friday in January, April and September	http://www.vancouverfoundation.bc.ca/GrantInformation/BC%20Medical/BCMRResearchFund.shtml
BC Medical Services Foundation- Development	Development grants of up to \$5000 are occasionally provided to researchers in a college, clinical or community-based setting to help them a) develop a full research proposal or b) conduct a small pilot to test the efficacy of a research project (e.g., recruitment, methods, instruments, etc.). A recipient of a development grant is eligible to reapply for the full research project.	Not specified	\$ 5,000	9 weeks before full grant application	First Friday in January, April and September	http://www.vancouverfoundation.bc.ca/GrantInformation/BC%20Medical/BCMRResearchFund.shtml
BC Mental Health and Addictions Research Network- Development Funds	Development of collaborative, multidisciplinary research teams, through networking and brainstorming activities □ Development of an application for external funding (the funding agency/program, competition deadline, and magnitude of funding sought must be specified)	Not specified	\$ 3,500	Not required	Anytime	http://www.mhanet.ca/docs/Seed_Grant_Application.pdf
BC Mental Health and Addictions Research Network- Seed grants	Foundational or exploratory work to develop rationales for research questions, experiments or methods □ Preliminary testing of methods or hypotheses □ Collection of pilot data to determine feasibility of new or risky research directions	Not specified	\$ 7,500	Not required	1-Oct-01	http://www.mhanet.ca/docs/Seed_Grant_Application.pdf
BC Mental Health and Addictions Research Network- Travel bursary	Allowable expenses under this program are travel and conference registration fees.	Not specified	Not specified	Not required	October 1, February 1	http://www.mhanet.ca/docs/TRAVEL_BURSARY_APPLICATION_FORM.doc
BC Network for Aging Research- Annual BCNAR Seed Grants	A limited amount of seed funding is available from the BC Network for Aging Research to assist BC-based researchers, working in the area of aging and health, to develop grant applications. These seed funds may be utilized for: 1) research team development (linking academic researchers with each other and/or with community-based researchers) in preparation for submitting an application for research funding or 2) conducting exploratory work to test research questions/methods or collect pilot data to support an application for research funding.	Not specified	\$ 3,500	Not required	TBD	http://www.aginghealthresearch.ca/documents/BCNARSeedGrantGuidelines2006_000.pdf

BC Occupational and Environmental Health Research Network- Research Capacity Development Grant	The BC Environmental and Occupational Health Research Network (BCEOHRN) was established in 2005 by the Michael Smith Foundation for Health Research to increase the capacity for and success of British Columbia environmental and occupational health researchers. Our Research Capacity Development Grants have two purposes: 1. To help new researchers (which includes post-secondary students) develop nationally competitive research proposals; 2. To help develop new research teams that will be able to successfully compete for research funds at the national and international level.	Not specified	\$ 10,000	Not required	1-Oct-06	http://www.bceohrn.ca/opportunities-funding.html
BC Occupational and Environmental Health Research Network- BCEOHRN Networking Facilitation Fund Grant	The BC Environmental and Occupational Health Research Network provides funding for networking facilitation for its members to a maximum of \$2,500. This fund is to assist BCEOHRN members to network in a variety of ways, including, but not limited to bringing together BCEOHRN members for the preparation of research grant applications to national or international granting agencies, relevant to environmental and occupational health research themes. Costs may include travel, teleconferencing/videoconferencing, facilitation, etc.	Not specified	\$ 2,500	Not required	1st or 15th of each month	http://www.bceohrn.ca/opportunities-funding.html
Canada Foundation for Innovation (CFI)- Infrastructure Operating Fund	The Infrastructure Operating Fund (IOF) is designed to contribute to the incremental operating and maintenance costs of infrastructure projects funded by the CFI.	Not specified	Not specified	Not specified	June 15 (annually)	http://www.innovation.ca/programs/index.cfm?websiteid=59
Canada Foundation for Innovation (CFI)- National Platform Fund	The National Platforms Fund provides generic research infrastructure, resources, services, and facilities that serve the needs of many research subjects and disciplines, and that require periodic reinvestments because of the nature of the technologies. The Fund is being established to fund High Performance Computing infrastructure, and may prove to be the best vehicle to fund other types of generic infrastructure at a later date.	Not specified	Not specified	Not specified	To be decided	http://www.innovation.ca/programs/index.cfm?websiteid=403
Canada Foundation for Innovation (CFI)- Research Hospital Fund	To address today's and tomorrow's health challenges, support is needed for research that will lead to groundbreaking discoveries and knowledge that can be translated quickly and effectively into improved health for Canadians, more effective health services and products, and a better health care system. Research hospitals are meeting these transformative challenges by forming new multidisciplinary and problem-oriented structures. To tackle research that is increasingly multidisciplinary and sophisticated, to translate research results in a timely fashion and to compete at the forefront in this area, Canada's research-hospital community requires, among other things, access to state-of-the-art research infrastructure. The Research Hospital Fund (RHF) is designed to meet these infrastructure needs.	Not specified	Not specified	Not specified	To be decided	http://www.innovation.ca/programs/index.cfm?websiteid=274

CANADIAN ASSOCIATION OF GASTROENTEROLOGY - Operating grant	Research may be basic or clinical science, or any other form of health research related to these two topics as long as it falls in the broad definition of gastroenterology. * Gastrointestinal motility (upper or lower GI tract) * Helicobacter pylori	2	\$ 90,000	Not required	15-Oct	http://www.cag-acg.org/research/cag_abbott_operating_grant.htm
Canadian Blood Services- Innovations in Blood Services Delivery – Kenneth J. Fyke Award	In order to honour the contributions of Kenneth J. Fyke, the founding Chair of the Canadian Blood Services Board of Directors, an award has been established in his name to support a research or innovation pilot project in health services delivery as it pertains to the blood system in Canada. This includes blood operations, blood utilization/conservation and the use of blood alternatives.	50,000	Not specified	Not required	29-Sep-06	http://www.bloodservices.ca/CentreApps/Internet/UW_V502_MainEngine.nsf/page/E_KenFykeAward?OpenDocument
Canadian Breast Cancer Research Alliance (CBCRA)- Knowledge Translation Linkage Grants	The KT-linkage Grants focus on the developmental phase of a research project. They are intended to facilitate linkage with relevant stakeholders(s) in order to define the research questions and methodology in such a way that is most relevant to the potential users of the research results.	1	\$ 10,000	Not required	November 1 (annually)	http://www.breastcancer.ca/cbcra_research_program/for_applicants/program_description/default.asp?load=program_other#KTA
Canadian Breast Cancer Research Alliance (CBCRA)- DEVELOPMENTAL AND EXPLORATORY (DEX) GRANTS '	The DEX research grants will support innovative exploratory projects or pilot studies in the areas of behavioural, health services, legal/ethical/social/policy and psychosocial research that has the potential to improve breast cancer control or quality of life. Applications are invited from all sectors of the breast cancer care or research continuum, from community-based groups to established researchers. DEX research grants will support small-scale short-term pilot studies or investigation of concepts to permit the investigator to explore or test out new ideas or research methods.	2	\$ 100,000	Not required	November 1 (annually)	http://www.breastcancer.ca/cbcra_research_program/for_applicants/program_description/default.asp?load=program_other&language=English
Canadian Breast Cancer Research Alliance (CBCRA)- IDEA GRANTS	CBCRA's IDEA grants support innovative, new research ideas that are speculative, but have the potential for advancing scientific knowledge. They will support small-scale pilot studies or investigations of concepts to permit the investigator to test out new ideas, which, although based on good science, are outside of existing conventional research paradigms and could be deemed speculative.	2	\$ 200,000	Not required	November 1 (annually)	http://www.breastcancer.ca/cbcra_research_program/for_applicants/program_description/default.asp?load=program_other&language=English
Canadian Breast Cancer Research Alliance (CBCRA)- Knowledge Translation Supplement Grants	KT-supplement grants focus on the end of the research project when it is appropriate to disseminate the results of the research to the potential users beyond the traditional scientific community and using methods supplementary and in addition to publication in standard scientific journals	1	\$ 10,000	Not required	November 1 (annually)	http://www.breastcancer.ca/cbcra_research_program/for_applicants/program_description/default.asp?load=program_other&language=English

Canadian Cystic Fibrosis Foundation-Clinic Incentive Award	Clinic Incentive grants are intended to enhance the standard of clinical care available to Canadians with cystic fibrosis, by providing funds to initiate a comprehensive program for CF patient care, research, and teaching; or to strengthen an existing program. Basic support for clinical care is the responsibility of	Not specified	Not specified	Not required	3-Oct-06	http://www.ccff.ca/page.asp?id=87
Canadian Cystic Fibrosis Foundation-Research	Research grants are intended to assist the scientific study of all aspects of cystic fibrosis. A principal investigator should hold a recognized, full-time faculty appointment in a relevant discipline at a Canadian university or hospital.	Not specified	Not specified	Not required	01-Oct-06	http://www.ccff.ca/page.asp?id=217
Canadian Cystic Fibrosis Foundation-Conference Grants	Grants to support small conferences that focus on subjects of direct relevance to cystic fibrosis. These grants typically supplement other funding sources.	Not specified	Not specified	Not required	Not specified	http://www.ccff.ca/page.asp?id=87
Canadian Cystic Fibrosis Foundation-Inter-clinic exchanges	Grants to assist the exchange of special expertise between larger, university-based CF clinics and smaller, more remote clinics. Requests of this type will involve fewer individuals than a medical/scientific conference	Not specified	Not specified	Not required	Not specified	http://www.ccff.ca/page.asp?id=87
Canadian Hypertension Society-Solvay/CHS travel award	Aids CHS investigators in acquiring new techniques/expertise by visiting host laboratories	Not specified	Not specified	Not required	December 15, 2006.	http://www.hypertension.ca/index_Research_va.html
Canadian Institutes for Health Research (CIHR)/Canadian Breast Cancer Research Alliance (CBCRA)- Operating Grant	The objective of the CIHR/CBCRA Operating Grant is to fund research that has relevance for prevention, early detection, diagnosis, treatment, rehabilitation and palliation for people impacted by breast cancer.	Not specified	Not specified	15-Aug-06	September 15, 2006	http://www.breastcancer.ca/cbcra_research_program/for_applicants/program_description/default.asp?load=program_grants#grants
Canadian Institutes of Health Research-International Opportunities Program - Collaborative Research Project Grants	IOP - Collaborative Research Project Grants enable Canadian researchers to participate in international research projects approved for funding by foreign entities, but, Canadian participants are not eligible for the foreign support and are required to secure their own funding in order to participate in the research collaboration.	1	\$ 100,000	15-Aug-06	September 15, 2006	http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/30802.html

Canadian Institutes of Health Research-International Opportunities Program - Development/Planning Grants	IOP - Development/Planning Grants assist Canadian researchers to explore, develop and establish new international collaborations with foreign researchers. These one-time grants support Canadian participation in the initial (pre-research) stages of international cooperation, and developmental activities (e.g. workshops, seminars, and planning meetings) designed to lead to new international collaborations.	1	\$ 25,000	15-Aug-06	September 15, 2006	http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/30812.html
Canadian Institutes for Health Research-Operating Grant	The objective of the CIHR Operating Grants program is to contribute to the creation, dissemination and use of health-related knowledge, and to help develop and maintain Canadian health research capacity, by supporting original, high quality projects proposed and conducted by individual researchers or groups of researchers, in all areas of health research.	02-May	Not specified	Not required	September 15, 2006	http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/22377.html
Canadian Institutes of Health Research-Operating Grants - Industry-Partnered	CIHR Industry-Partnered Operating Grants provide support for research projects by an individual or small group of investigators. The applicant must secure the sponsorship of an eligible company before a registration can be submitted.	Not specified	Not specified	May 15; July 1; Sept 1; Dec 15	July 15; Sept 1; Nov 1; Feb 15	http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/22488.html
Canadian Institutes of Health Research-Advancing the Science to Reduce Tobacco Abuse and Nicotine Addiction Initiative - Researcher Travel Grants	It is important that researchers attend scientific meetings and conferences in order to increase research capacity, learning and collaboration. For this reason, CTCRI offers funding for travel to relevant meetings and conferences where students and non-traditional researchers are presenting findings on tobacco abuse and nicotine addiction	N/A	\$ 3,000	Not required	30 days prior to start of meeting	http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/27510.html
Canadian Institutes of Health Research-Advancing the Science to Reduce Tobacco Abuse and Nicotine Addiction Initiative - Workshop & Learning Opportunity Grants	Researchers and research end-users benefit greatly from opportunities to learn about current research and to work together. For this reason, the CTCRI's Workshop and Learning Opportunity Grants support workshops, meetings and events which focus on building research capacity by bringing together individuals from different disciplines and sectors. Strong preference will be given to projects focusing on regions or populations in which there has been a historic lack of capacity for research.	N/A	\$ 15,000	Not required	90 days prior to meeting	http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/27512.html

Canadian Institutes of Health Research- Institute of Human Development, Child and Youth Health (IHDCYH) workshop development	To support or partially support workshops or small meetings of investigators which address key research questions in reproductive and child health. Deadline: For workshops taking place between: April 1 and December 31 applications must be submitted by this March 15. For workshops taking place between October 1 and June 30 applications must be submitted by September 15.		\$ 10,000	Not required	15-Sep-06	http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/20505.html
Canadian Institutes of Health Research- CIHR President's Fund	CIHR uses the President's Fund to provide grants that are used to: support organizations and initiatives whose goal is consistent with CIHR's vision, mandate and strategic directions; provide financial assistance for conferences, workshops, seminars, education programs and other research related events that are hosted by research, knowledge translation or educational organizations where the objectives of the event align with the interests of CIHR overall and not individual Institutes; and, to provide special, one-time grants or awards in aid of research where the circumstances fall outside CIHR's other programs.	Not specified	Not specified	Not specified	Not specified	http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/28109.html
Canadian Institutes of Health Research- Randomized Controlled Trials	Randomized controlled trial (RCT) is an experiment in which investigators randomly assign eligible subjects (or other units of study, e.g. classrooms, clinics, playgrounds) into groups to receive or not receive one or more interventions that are being compared. The results are analysed by comparing outcomes in the groups.	Not specified	Not specified	Not specified	Sept 1, Nov 1 (annually)	http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/22388.html
Canadian Institutes of Health Research- Randomized Controlled Trials - Industry-Partnered	Randomized controlled trial (RCT) is an experiment in which investigators randomly assign eligible subjects (or other units of study, e.g. classrooms, clinics, playgrounds) into groups to receive or not receive one or more interventions that are being compared. The results are analysed by comparing outcomes in the groups.	Not specified	Not specified	Not specified	Sept 1, Nov 1 (annually)	http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/22494.html
Canadian Psychiatric Research Foundation- CPRF Award	The goal of the CPRF Awards is to help young Canadian scientists launch their careers in the study of major mental illnesses and addictions. must be within the 5 year period following completion of your final doctoral degree (e.g. M.D., specialty, PhD) OR the first academic appointment as an Assistant Professor <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • must have a primary, academic appointment with a Canadian university or research institute (part time or full time, includes post doctoral fellows) 	2	\$ 80,000	Not required	24-Nov-06	http://www.cprf.ca/applying/applying.html

Canadian Psychiatric Research Foundation- 2007-2008 THE CIBC WORLD MARKETS CHILDREN'S MIRACLE AWARD	The Canadian Psychiatric Research Foundation is inviting applications for this prestigious annual award. The CIBC World Markets Children's Miracle Award is for advancing the understanding of the causes and treatment of mental illness in childhood and youth. It will be awarded to an established Canadian investigator for a project or program of research which demonstrates innovation and which has the potential for advancement in the field. Preference will be given to an investigator who clearly demonstrates a commitment to the training and development of young researchers. The spirit of this award is to "make a difference" in the lives of children and youth. The money should be made available to support a practical project with defined outcomes for a year.	1	\$ 50,000	Not required	24-Nov-06	http://www.cprf.ca/apply/apply.html
Canadian Psychiatric Research Foundation- Addiction Research Award	The Canadian Psychiatric Research Foundation is inviting applications for an award for research designed to enhance the understanding of the causes and treatment of addictions – substance related disorders and / or co-morbidity with mental illnesses. years or more after completion of candidate's final doctoral degree (e.g. M.D., specialty, Ph.D.) OR 5 years since first faculty appointment. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • must have a primary, academic appointment with a Canadian university or research institute (part time eligible) 	1	\$ 50,000	Not required	24-Nov-06	http://www.cprf.ca/apply/apply.html
Canadian Tobacco Control Research Initiative- Canadian Tobacco Control Research Initiative (CTCRI)	Tobacco control policy research helps to direct decision-making and to influence implementation of policies aimed at reducing tobacco abuse and nicotine addiction. 1. To foster excellent, timely research that will influence and guide policy decisions in tobacco control. 2. To increase the involvement of policy decision-makers at all levels in the research process. SUGGESTED RESEARCH AREAS: * The full policy process from agenda-setting and decision-making through to development and implementation, enforcement, evaluation and refinement; * All areas in which policy might be used to influence tobacco use including fiscal, legislative, regulatory and educational policies; * Public and private policy at all levels of government locale	2	\$ 80,000	Not required	October 1 annually. * Applications for fast-track Policy Research competitions may be submitted at any time	http://www.ctcri.ca/en/pages/policy-grants.htm
Canadian Tobacco Control Research Initiative- Idea grant	The pilot testing of research methods and/or hypotheses and the exploration of novel ideas. 1. To create opportunities for the testing of research methods or hypotheses which have the potential to have an impact on the study of tobacco control and nicotine addiction interventions. 2. To foster the development of excellent, well-grounded research proposals on tobacco control and nicotine addiction interventions.	1	\$ 50,000	Not required	October 1 annually	http://www.ctcri.ca/en/pages/idea-grants.htm
Canadian Tobacco Control Research Initiative- Symposium support	The NCIC provides contributions to especially worthy conferences or symposia. Applications for a contribution must show the details of the conference/symposium highlighting how the NCIC's contribution will further the cause of Canadian cancer research. It is expected that the NCIC contribution would be used preferentially to defray legitimate expenses of Canadian participants at the conference or symposium. Support of Canadian trainees is especially encouraged as a use for these funds.	N/A	\$ 10,000	Not required	6 months in advance of the proposed meeting date	http://www.ncic.cancer.ca/ncic/internet/standard/0,3621,84658243_523576432_langId-en,00.html

Canadian Tobacco Control Research Initiative- Workshop Grant	For the support of workshops, meetings and other events which aim to build research capacity. 1. To foster links between researchers or between researchers and research end-users within geographical regions or populations in Canada. 2. To build capacity for research using an innovative approach.	N/A	\$ 15,000	Not required	at least 90 days prior to the anticipated workshop or event.	http://www.ctcri.ca/en-pages/workshop-grants.htm
Canadian Tobacco Control Research Initiative- Workshop support	The intent of the Cancer Workshop Program is to facilitate the sharing of knowledge about developments in various fields of cancer research. One of the principal objectives is to bring together, for a common purpose, individuals of diverse backgrounds who would not normally interact and collaborate. The focus on cancer research should be primary rather than secondary, but the objective is to provide a multi-disciplinary approach to a cancer topic which may be biomedical, clinical, epidemiological or sociological in nature. Few other restrictions have been imposed since the formula for success may vary according to circumstances	N/A	\$ 30,000	Not required	6 months in advance of the proposed workshop date	http://www.ncic.cancer.ca/ncic/internet/standard/0,3621,84658243_523576430_langId-en,00.html
Christopher Reeve Foundation- Individual Research Grants	The CRF Individual Grants Program was founded on the understanding that effective treatments for acute and chronic spinal cord injury will involve carefully orchestrated multi-disciplinary interventions including axon growth and guidance, remyelination, cellular replacement, rehabilitation and neuroprotection	Not specified	Not specified	Not required	15-Jun-06	http://www.christopherreeve.org/site/c.ge1MLP0pGjF/b.1048711/k.6606/Individual_Research_Grants.htm
Crohn's and Colitis Foundation of Canada- Conference Sponsorship	The Research Institute of the CCFC will consider applications for financial support of a limited number of requests regarding scientific meetings relevant to inflammatory bowel disease. Interested applicants should submit a one page summary providing details of the meeting, specifically addressing how the request applies to the CCFC mission of finding the cure for IBD.	N/A	\$ 5,000	Not required	Not specified	http://www.cfc.ca/English/research/opportunities.html
Crohn's and Colitis Foundation of Canada- Innovations in IBD Research": A Special Competition	The Crohn's and Colitis Foundation of Canada invites applications for an Innovative Research Grant, to fund novel or innovative approaches to IBD research. This grant is intended to stimulate and support research which may not be encompassed within the boundaries of traditional medical research. Research proposals must conform to sound principles of research. The Foundation seeks excellence as well as innovation.	1	\$ 50,000	Not required	1-Sep-01	http://www.cfc.ca/English/research/opportunities.html
Hereditary Disease Foundation- Huntington's Disease	The focus of the Hereditary Disease Foundation is on Huntington's disease. Support will be for research projects that will contribute to identifying and understanding the basic defect in Huntington's disease. Areas of interest include trinucleotide expansions, animal models, gene therapy, neurobiology and development of the basal ganglia, cell survival and death, and intercellular signaling in striatal neurons.	1	\$ 50,000	Submit to get application	June 15 and October 15	http://www.hdfoundation.org/fundinga.htm

Michael Smith Foundation for Health Research-Team planning awards	The Team Planning award is a one-time start-up fund, to enable groups of investigators to pursue new and emerging health research opportunities on a timely basis; to investigate and develop potential new collaborations necessary to respond quickly to exceptional opportunities; and/or to develop a plan to accelerate time-sensitive research. This award will provide a mechanism for investigators to do the due diligence required to develop a business plan which clearly outlines deliverables and timelines for team activities going forward that	N/A	\$50,000	Not required	June 30; Sept 30; Dec 15	http://www.msfrh.org/sub-funding-research-guidelines.htm
Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada-Pilot Research Grants	MS Scientific Research Foundation funds small, pilot grants, which are unique among MS research approaches in Canada. They can be applied for any time a researcher has an innovative idea.	\$ 1	\$ 35,000	Not specified	April 1 - August 1	http://www.mssociety.ca/en/research/researchfunding.htm
Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council-Idea to Innovation (I2I) Program	The objective of the Idea to Innovation (I2I) program is to accelerate the pre-competitive development of promising technology and promote its transfer to Canadian companies. The program supports research and development projects with recognized technology transfer potential by providing crucial assistance to university researchers in the early stages of technology validation and market connection	3	Not specified	Not required	July 3, 2006; September 29, 2006	http://www.nserc.gc.ca/professors_e.asp?nav=profnav&lbi=b4
Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council-Research Network Grants (RNG)	Research Network Grants fund large-scale, complex research programs that involve multi-sectorial collaborations on a common research topic. The topic to be investigated can be of local concern, requiring a focused local network, or of regional or national importance, requiring a larger, more complex network.	5	Not specified	Required	Anytime	http://www.nserc.gc.ca/professors_e.asp?nav=profnav&lbi=b2
Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council-Special Research Opportunity (SRO) Program	Special Research Opportunity (SRO) grants enable researchers to pursue new and emerging research opportunities at the time they become apparent, or investigate and develop potential new collaborations necessary to respond to these national and international opportunities. What distinguishes a special research opportunity is the urgency and timeliness of the opportunity.	Not specified	Not specified	Required	Not specified	http://www.nserc.gc.ca/professors_e.asp?nav=profnav&lbi=a4
NSERC- Strategic Network grants	Advanced Communications and Management of Information; Biomedical Technologies; Competitive Manufacturing and Value-Added Products and Processes; Healthy Environment and Ecosystems; Quality Foods and Novel Bioproducts; Safety and Security; Sustainable Energy Systems (Production, Distribution and Utilization) (details to be posted on March 31st)	Not specified	Not specified	Not required	30-Jun-06	http://www.nserc.gc.ca/professors_e.asp?nav=profnav&lbi=b2
Sick Kids Foundation-Research Cross-training awards	Through the cross-training competition, researchers, policy makers and health care providers (conventional, complementary and/or alternative) may obtain a maximum of \$10,000 annually to support the increase of knowledge about research methodology and techniques, particular paediatric issues, policy/ethical issues, or some form of complementary or alternative care provision for children. The goal of the proposed cross-training must be to increase research capacity in paediatric complementary and health care in Canada.	1	\$ 10,000	15-May-06	11-Sep-06	http://www.sickkidsfoundation.com/def_grants.asp#ngpAni

Sick Kids Foundation- Research grants	SickKids Foundation offers funding for research grants in the area of complementary and alternative health care and paediatrics. In order to address the lack of research in the area of CAHC and child and youth health, SickKids Foundation requests proposals in the following topic areas: pilot research, policy issues, utilization data and synthesis of existing data	2	\$ 130,000	15-May-06	11-Sep-06	http://www.sickkidsfoundation.com/def_grants.asp#ngpAni
Sick Kids Foundation- Conference grants	The purpose of the conference grants program is to support events which are organized by and/or for families with children with health challenges, including but not limited to children with acute illness, chronic illness, and disabilities. Eligible events will have a focus on information sharing between health professionals, community organizations, and families. Academic conferences are not eligible for funding	N/A	\$ 5,000	Not required	Sept 30, January 31	http://www.sickkidsfoundation.com/def_grants.asp#ngpAni
Sick Kids Foundation- Home Care Conference Grants	As part of the Foundation's funding of the Children and Youth Home Care Network (CYHN), support is offered for conferences, workshops or symposia. The purpose of funding conference grants is to support events which are relevant to home and community care for children, youth and families.	N/A	\$ 5,000	Not required	3 months prior to event	http://www.sickkidsfoundation.com/pdfs/ngp_hc_conf_app.pdf
Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council- Community- University Research Alliances (CURA)	To support research projects jointly developed and undertaken by university-based researchers and organizations from the community	5	\$ 1,000,000	5-May-06	Formal Application (by invitation only): TBD	http://www.sshrc.ca/web/apply/program_descriptions/cura_e.asp
Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council- Aid to Research Workshops and Conferences in Canada	To support workshops and conferences in Canada	1	\$ 25,000	Not required	1-Nov-06	http://www.sshrc.ca/web/apply/program_descriptions/conferences_e.asp
Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council- Aid to Research Workshops and Conferences in Canada	To support workshops and conferences in Canada	2	\$ 50,000	Not required	1-Nov-06	http://www.sshrc.ca/web/apply/program_descriptions/conferences_e.asp

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council- Canadian Initiative on Social Statistics (CISS) Access to Research Data Centres	Research Data Centres (RDC) provide researchers with access to confidential social statistics data collected by Statistics Canada	Not specified	Not specified	Not required	Applications may be submitted at any time	http://www.sshrc.ca/web/apply/program_descriptions/ciss_research_data_e.asp
The Heart and Stroke Foundation of B.C. & Yukon- Grant-in-Aid program	The Grant-in-Aid program offers support for projects in basic biomedical, clinical, health services and health systems and population health research. This support may be granted for a one to five year term	Not specified	Not specified	Not required	1-Sep-06	http://www.hsf.ca/research/guidelines/prov/bc/bc_giaguide.html
The Stanley Medical Research Institute- Treatment Trials for Schizophrenia and Bipolar Disorder	The purpose of this program is to facilitate the direct testing of new treatments for schizophrenia and bipolar disorder.	3	\$ 900,000	Not required	1-Oct-06	http://www.stanleyresearch.org/application/applytt.htm
VIHA Child, Youth and Family Health- Research Funding	Eligibility: Promote and develop research excellence within staff of Child, Family and Youth at VIHA; 2. Must involve VIHA staff as researchers; 3. Enhance and develop new, innovative or improved treatment for children with special health, social, cognitive, physical or behavioural needs; 4. Improve the knowledge and understanding of the changing needs of children and families served by VIHA				5-Jun-06	Contact Michael Joschko at michael.joschko@viha.ca for more details
Work Safe BC- Operating	An operating grant provides support for a research project by an individual or small group of investigators. To be eligible, the proposed research must be scientifically valid, relate to one or more of the research priorities (Occupational injury and disease prevention, * Fair compensation, * Successful rehabilitation and return-to-work), and demonstrate strong potential to positively impact workplace health and safety and/or the workers' compensation system in B.C.	2	Not specified	Not required	Not specified	http://www.worksafebc.com/contact_us/research/research_program/operating_grants/default.asp