

National Sources of Health Services Research Funds

Funding Body	Address	Phone #	Fax #	Website	Organizational Structure	Objectives	Main Activities	Budget	Research/ Funding Process	Application Deadline(s)
Canada Foundation for Innovation (CFI)	230 Queen Street, Suite 450, Ottawa, Ontario, K1P 5E4	613-947-6496	613-943-0923	http://www.innovation.ca/index.cfm	Independent, non-governmental organization created by the Government of Canada	Fund research infrastructure; strengthen the capacity of Canadian universities, college, research hospitals, and non-profit research institutions to carry out world-class research and technology development that benefits Canadians	Funds programs falling under the categories of: Infrastructure, Innovation, Research, Technology Development, Research Training	Entrusted with \$3.65 billion by the Government of Canada since 1997	Signed institutional agreement; strategic research plan summary	Leading Edge Fund: December 12; New Initiatives Fund: February 13; Leaders Opportunity Fund: February 15, June 15, October 15; International Joint Venture Fund: October 31 (for project outlines); Infrastructure Operating Fund: June 15
Canadian Health Services Research Foundation (CHSRF)	1565 Carling Avenue, Suite 700, Ottawa, Ontario K1Z 8R1	613-728-2238	613-728-3527	http://www.chsrf.ca/	National organization; not-for-profit, registered charity and operating foundation	Support the evidence-informed management of Canada's healthcare system by facilitating knowledge transfer and exchange; -bridging the gap between research and healthcare management and policy.	Provides research funding opportunities for researchers and decision makers; provides training opportunities for senior decision makers; supports training and personnel development; provides user-friendly research results; offers services and resources to decision makers and researchers; holds and co-sponsors skill-building events and activities	Contributed \$6,516,991 out of its \$14,969,142 operating budget to research funding in 2006. This represents approximately 43.5% of its operating budget to research funding.	Full application; letter of intent	Research, Exchange and Impact for System Support: Early November; Postdoctoral Awards Competition: Early December; Executive Training for Research Application Competition: March 1; Harkness Associate Awards Competition: Mid-February; Health Services Research Advancement Award Competition: March 15
Canadian Institute for Health Information (CIHI)	495 Richmond Road, Suite 600, Ottawa, Ontario, K2A 4H6	613-241-7860	613-241-8120	http://secure.cihi.ca/	Independent, not-for-profit organization primarily funded through bilateral funding agreements with federal and provincial/territorial ministries of health and individual care institutions	Provide essential data and analysis on Canada's health system and the health of Canadians	Track data using information supplied by hospitals, regional health authorities, medical practitioners and governments; identifies and promotes national health indicators	CIHI does not fund research projects		

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Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR)	160 Elgin Street, 9th Floor, Address Locator 4809A Ottawa, Ontario, K1A 0W9	613-941-2672	613-954-1800	<a href="http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/">http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/</a>	Government of Canada's health research funding agency; reports to Parliament through the Minister of Health	Enhance Canada's health research landscape; improve the health of Canadians; support innovation in the health care system; support efficient and effective health care	Supports researchers and trainees in universities, teaching hospitals, and research institutes across Canada; trains the next generation of health researchers; funds research related to Canadians' health, health care system, and quality of life; fosters commercialization, moving research discoveries from academic setting to the marketplace; allocates 94 cents of every dollar directly to funding health researchers	\$654 million	Peer review	Investigator-Initiated (Open Competition): Regular competition cycle (September, January & March); Strategic Initiatives: Regular competition cycle (December & June)
Medical Research Council (MRC)-Was replaced by CIHR in 2000					Created by an Act of Parliament through the Medical Research Council Act; reports to the Minister of Health	Build and sustain, in partnership with others, a national capacity to create and use new knowledge for maintaining and improving health and preventing, curing and treating illness, for the social and economic benefit of Canadians and the well-being of people everywhere	Promoted, assisted and undertook basic, applied and clinical research in Canada in the health sciences; advised the Minister of Health in respect of matters relating to such research; expended any money appropriated by Parliament for the work of the Council	\$296,285 (2000)		

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National Health Research & Development Program (NHRDP)-In support of the integration of the health research enterprise, Health Canada will transfer the investigator-driven research programs of the NHRDP to the CIHR.										
Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC)	350 Albert Street, P.O. Box 1610, Ottawa, Ontario, K1P 6G4	613-992-0691	613-992-1787	<a href="http://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/">http://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/</a>	Arm's-length federal agency	Promote and support university-based research and training in the social sciences and humanities	Funds research contributing to innovative thinking about real life issues (the economy, education, health care, the environment, globalization, etc)	\$306 million	Full application; peer review	Research Grants: October 1; Major Collaborative Research Initiatives: September 1; Strategic Research Grants: Various dates; Strategic Joint Initiatives: Various dates; The Initiative on the New Economy: Various dates; Research Commission Grants: Various dates; Grants to Institutions: Various dates; Special Research/Postdoctoral Fellowships: October 3; Master's Scholarships: Determined by universities, otherwise November 30; Doctoral Awards: Determined by universities, otherwise November 15;