

**PROSTATE CANCER CANADA
MOVEMBER TEAM GRANTS
FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs)**

Topic: Principal Investigators

1. Can the minimum requirement of three Principal Investigators (PIs) be from three different institutions within the same city?

The goal of the team grant program is to support trans-Canadian research teams. Although the program does not prohibit collaborations within the same city, it was not the intent of this program. We strongly encourage the formation of 'new' teams, with PIs located in more than one Canadian city or province. We would consider that stronger applications would be from teams where at least one PI is located in a different city or province.

2. Do cross-appointments for PIs count as being located at a different institution?

A minimum of three Principal Investigators must have their primary academic or research appointment at three different institutions. Cross-appointments are not primary appointments thus will not be considered.

3. Can any of the Principal Investigators be based outside of the country (i.e. USA)?

No. Unfortunately, funds cannot be expended outside Canada thus all Principal Investigators must be based in Canada.

4. Can any of the Principal Investigators be based at a private company?

Principal Investigators from for-profit organizations are not eligible to be a PI.

Topic: Eligible Institutions

1. What institutions are eligible to apply to this program?

*To be eligible to apply for a PCC grant or award, applicants must be affiliated with an **eligible institution**.*

Eligible Institutions must meet the following requirements.

1. The Institution type must fall under one of the following categories:
 - o Canadian post-secondary institutions and their affiliated institutions including hospitals and research institutes
 - o Canadian non-governmental, not-for-profit organizations (including community or charitable organizations) with an explicit research or knowledge translation mandate
 - o Canadian non-federal government departments or agencies, including regional health authorities, when specific programs of those departments or agencies do not fund the activity that forms the subject matter of the grant
2. The institution must be a recognized legal entity.
3. The institution must have the necessary accounting systems and financial controls in place to manage PCC Funds.

4. *The institution must ensure that the researcher will have the time and infrastructure that will permit the pursuit of the planned research and the freedom to publish the results.*

*Applications from for-profit organizations **are not** eligible.*

*Non-domestic (non-Canadian) entities (foreign institutions) **are not** eligible to apply.*

Topic: Funds Available

1. How many Team Grants will be funded this competition?

We have the budget envelope set right now, but the ultimate number of grants awarded will depend on the quality of submissions as determined during the review process. This may result in the final funding for this competition being greater than the currently budgeted \$10M.

2. What are the funding limits for each team grant application?

There is no yearly maximum, however budget request must average \$1M/year over the term of the grant for up to five years; e.g. 5 years=\$5M, 3 years =\$3M.

Topic: Process for approval of Expressions of Interest (EOI)

1. How will the EOIs be evaluated?

A review panel will be assembled to review the submitted EOIs to ensure only those applications that conform to the programs guidelines and have a high potential for success are invited to submit a full application.

EOIs will be evaluated based on their excellence as judged against the following evaluation criteria:

1. *Overall objective and extent of innovation of the program of research.*
2. *Significance of the research on our understanding of prostate cancer.*

PCC reserves the right to amend the review process at any time. Any changes that are made to the process will not adversely affect the rigor and equity of the process. Every effort will be made to inform applicants of changes in a timely manner.

Topic: Clinical Trials and Team Grants

1. Can the Team Grant be a clinical trial?

Randomized Clinical Trials as sole focus are not eligible under this funding mechanism; however, a clinical trial may be included as a major project within a larger research program.

We will continue to add to this list as questions are put forward. Please check back at this document prior to contacting PCC.

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