

Discovery Grant Frequently Asked Questions

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1. Can I submit two applications as Principal Investigator?

You can submit only one application as a Principal Investigator or Co-Principal Investigator in this competition.

2. Can I be a Principal Investigator on one application and a Co-Investigator on another application?

For this competition, you can be named as a Principal Investigator (or Co-Principal Investigator) on only one application. You can be named as a Co-Investigator or collaborator on any number of applications.

3. What is required by the Registration deadline; are CVs or a Letter of Intent or Expression of Interest required?

The November 30 deadline is registering your intent to submit a Full Application. You need to complete the registration page in the online application. This includes information about the Principal Investigator, the Host Institution, additional team members, project title, keywords, suggested reviewers and reviewers to exclude. NO CVs or ATTACHMENTS ARE REQUIRED.

4. When is the Application deadline?

The deadline for the Full Application is Thursday, January 17, 2019 at 5 pm Eastern, but you must have created and completed the Registration portion of the application before November 30 at 5 p.m. Eastern to be able to proceed and submit an application.

5. How do you calculate eligibility for New vs. Established researchers. Can I subtract my maternity leave or sabbatical leave?

If your appointment was on or after April 1, 2014 you qualify as a **New Investigator**. The window of eligibility may be extended if your career has been interrupted for reasons such as parental leave, illness or health-related family responsibilities. Extensions will be made on a case-by-case basis. If you would like to apply for an eligibility extension please contact the research team at research@prostatecancer.ca to discuss the process. To proceed with the application while your extension is considered, please select **Established Investigator** to satisfy the system's calculation.

6. I applied in the 2017 Discovery Grant competition, can I submit a re-application?

All applications this year will be considered as New Applications; we felt that too much time had elapsed since the last competition for the re-submission option to be effective.

7. Are there specific subheadings I should include in the research proposal section of the proposal? ?

We don't specify what sections/subheadings you should cover. Please consult the Program Description for more information the goals and evaluation criteria for this grant. You can also find more grant writing tips later in this document.

8. Can I have a Co-PI or Co-Investigator from another country on my proposal (I will be PI)?

Each PI, Co-PI and Co-I must each be an independent investigator(s) who has an academic or research appointment at an eligible Canadian institution. Additional contributors may be named as Collaborators. It is not necessary to qualify as an independent investigator for the Collaborator role; this includes independent investigators from outside Canada, graduate students, post-doctoral fellows, clinical fellows, research associates, project coordinators. Collaborators are named in the Full Application.

9. Can part of the funding be allocated to an Investigator from another country on my proposal?

Funding from Prostate Cancer Canada grants is intended to be spent at eligible Canadian institutions. An exception would be if someone you were hoping to work with was doing something that is not available in Canada; they could be reimbursed for work that is a fee-for-service in nature.

10. Can we change the organization in the online system?

PCC staff will have to make the change for you. Please send us the institution name and we can change it for you.

11. Do the team members have to be finalized at the registration phase?

Team members can be added after the registration phase, however it is preferable to be as precise as possible and have your team members, Co-PI's and Co-Investigators, entered into the system by the registration deadline. PCC staff use the information provided at registration to recruit reviewers that have the appropriate expertise to match the registration information you have provided. All Collaborators are added at the Full Application stage.

12. Can we change the application title slightly post-registration?

It is best to be as precise as possible; PCC staff use the information provided at registration to recruit reviewers that have the appropriate expertise to match the registration information you have provided.

This document will be updated as additional questions are posed. If you have any other questions please contact us at research@prostatecancer.ca