



The Governance Organization of the Academic Health Sciences Centre (AHSC) Alternate Funding Plan (AFP)

Opportunities Fund

Funding for:
New Recruit
or **New Role**

Projects can be
1-3 Years
in length

London
only AHSC AFP
Funding Competition

Deadlines:
**mid April &
late September**

What is considered a New Recruit?

A New Recruit is a newly trained MD in the first 5 years of AHSC AFP Membership that has not previously received funding from the AMOSO Opportunities Fund.

What is considered a New Role?

The AMOSO Opportunities Fund is not intended to support pre-existing research or the extension of research along the same lines of current research.

A New Role is an existing AHSC AFP Physician in a New Role with new deliverables, supported by a new Academic Role Category (ARC) or a substantiated change of role with respect to research within an existing ARC. New Role applications must include a justification letter from the Department Chair describing new role & deliverables.

Who reviews the proposal submissions?

Submissions are adjudicated by the AMOSO Opportunities Fund Sub-Committee and given a score based on a CIHR numeric scoring system. Written feedback is provided to all applicants. Final approval is granted by the AMOSO Governing Committee. *Approval of the proposal from your FMC required *prior* to submission to AMOSO*

How much funding can I request?

This funding competition only funds AFP Physician compensation at the current approved per diem rates (can be partial days) up to 2 days a week (\$32,500/day/year). Please note: It is at the discretion of your AFP Practice Plan(s) to provide any incremental compensation/funding.

Where can I find more information?

For a list of previously funded Opportunities Fund projects, submission success rates by AFP Practice Plan, the Guidelines & Application form please visit the AMOSO website (info below).



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Innovation Fund

Funding for:
human resources & infrastructure
necessary to implement, test
&/or evaluate new concepts &
modes of healthcare delivery

Projects can be
1-2 Years
in length

**Provincially
Funded
Competition**
\$1.3M annually
for London

Deadline annually
in late:
October

What is the purpose of the Innovation Fund?

This Provincial Fund supports the development of new and innovative practices in healthcare delivery (both quality initiatives and research projects) and supports leadership and the dissemination of knowledge across the healthcare system.

What is considered Innovative?

In the most recent Provincial Framework & Guidelines the Innovation Fund Provincial Oversight Committee (IFPOC) indicated that; projects that have **definite potential to impact healthcare delivery; projects that are implementable and have realistic project goals; projects that have clear measurable metrics for success; projects that offer opportunities to translate new knowledge into medical practice; and projects that are transferable to other institutions or regions of the province would be considered innovative.** In addition, locally, projects that “...generate value in terms of quality and safety of care, administrative efficiency, the patient experience, and patient outcomes” will be considered innovative (Health Canada Report 2015).

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How much funding can I request?

New in 2016-17, grants can request up to \$75K per annum (max. 2 years); higher budgets will be considered for exceptional projects. Budget requests can include supportive costs/ support staff costs. **New in 2018-19:** A justification letter from your Chair/Chief is required if physician compensation is being requested as part of your Innovation Fund proposal budget. Please note: Physician compensation is generally not recommended for funding. Any Physician Compensation requested must be at the current AMOSO approved rates.

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