

Community Geriatrics Research Grants for Residents

The Community Geriatrics Research Grant is available to UBC family medicine residents to support original research work, and raise awareness and interest in the field of elder care. The funding is intended to support new family practice researchers to develop and carry out a research project. The grant will be awarded to projects that demonstrate excellence in research that contributes to geriatrics and elder care within the discipline of Family Medicine.

UBC residents conducting and presenting research as part of graduation requirements are eligible and invited to apply. If the application is submitted by a research team of two or more residents, the grant will be awarded to support the research project as a whole.

Award

The value of each Community Geriatrics Research Grant will be up to **\$2500** for a resident research project. The number and value of awards granted each calendar year will be determined by the funds available.

Eligibility Requirements

- Project is in the field of community based elder care.
- Submissions must adhere to the application requirements below.
- Applicants are enrolled in a UBC Faculty of Medicine residency program, and **have an identified research supervisor**. See below for a list of mentors with an interest in elder care.
- The research project **must be completed** during the residency training program.
- Submissions are limited to one per candidate per year, and this award can only be given to an individual once.

Selection Criteria

- Research proposal addresses a need or gap in community geriatrics primary care research and/or the health care system.
- Research proposal incorporates equity, diversity and inclusion
- Research question, plans and objectives are appropriate and clear
- Literature review is complete and relevant to the study design/research plan
- Budget is appropriate and justified
- Potential for publication

Application Process

Application requirements are outlined below and should be submitted electronically.

Applications will be reviewed by the Community Geriatrics Grant Committee. The Committee will select the grant recipients and the names of successful candidates will be forwarded to the **Postgrad Deans and Program Directors**.

The recipients will be notified by the Department of Family Practice.

Application Requirements (1000 words max)

See: Guidance Notes for the UBC Scholar Project Proposal:

<https://med-fom-fmprpostgrad.sites.olt.ubc.ca/files/2016/02/Project-Proposal-Template.pdf>

Project Title

Title of the research project, principal investigator (applicant), supervisor and research team co-investigators, affiliations, and contact details (email is adequate).

Introduction

Topic overview, research question(s)/hypothesis, significance of question(s).

Literature review

Previous work or research, knowledge gap.

Methodology

Overview of approach, data collection, data analysis, ethical considerations, identify key stakeholders.

Budget: proposed budget with justification of expenditures.

Eligible Expenses:

- Operating expenses associated with the conduction of the study
- Project materials and supplies
- Statistician and data analyst services
- Database development for data collection including online survey charges
- Teleconference
- Honorarium/incentives for subjects participating in research study

Ineligible Expenses:

- Funding for an investigator's salary or time
- Equipment purchases or rentals
- Indirect costs such as training and/or travel to prepare the research team or conduct the research

Strengths and Limitations

Expected Results

Bibliography/References

Communication and Dissemination of Findings

Grant recipients are required to:

- Provide a written academic report and lay summary of their research upon completion of the project;
- Acknowledge the Community Geriatrics Research Grant in any communication or publication related to the project;
- Present the findings at the UBC Family Practice Scholarship Day

Grant recipients are encouraged to consider disseminating the results more widely, such as by presenting their research at larger conferences (e.g. the Family Medicine Forum).

*****Please submit your complete applications to: jordan.christmas@ubc.ca**

Community Geriatrics List of Potential Mentors

- Dr. Margaret McGregor
- Dr. Ted Rosenberg
- Dr. Rob Petrella
- Dr. Nick Petropolis
- Dr. Rita McCracken
- Dr. Joy Masuhara

If you have any questions about the Community Geriatrics Research Grant, please email Dr. Alicia Pawluk, Director of Community Geriatrics: alicia.pawluk@gmail.com