**2025 Call for Partnership Opportunity: CIHR-ICR Sponsorship Awards Program Application Form**

**Objectives**

The CIHR Institute of Cancer Research (CIHR-ICR) is committed to recognizing research excellence and building capacity in cancer research across Canada. As such, CIHR-ICR is establishing a new Sponsorship Awards Program to foster partnerships with national organizations and collectively recognize the outstanding achievements, leadership, and contributions of cancer researchers across Canada, while also promoting the development of research talent and the establishment of collaborative networks.

**Scope**

CIHR-ICR will support the establishment of 1-2 joint awards per partnering organization for up to three years per award (pending available funding). The maximum amount CIHR-ICR will contribute to each award is up to $1,500 CAD per year. Joint awards that can be established from this program include “Research Excellence Awards” and “Early Career Researcher Awards”. Priority will be given to partnerships with organizations that will target key gaps or address high-priority needs within the cancer research landscape.

The application deadline is **11:59 PM ET Friday, August 29, 2025**.

**Section 1: Applicant Details**

1. Organization name:
2. Year of establishment:
3. Organization website:
4. Organization address:
5. Anticipated date of organization's next national conference:
   * Please select the date below.
6. Main contact name and position:
7. Main contact email:

**Section 2: Organization Details**

1. Describe your organization’s mandate and values, and how they align with those of the [Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR)](https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/52331.html#s_5) and the [Institute of Cancer Research (CIHR-ICR)](https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/12407.html) (maximum 2000 characters with spaces):
2. Describe your organization's scope and membership, including the total number of members, their professional backgrounds, geographic distribution, and any other relevant details (maximum 2000 characters with spaces):
3. Describe your organization’s governance practices, including operational, structural, and reputational indicators (e.g., governance structure, transparency/accountability, funding sources and sustainability, stakeholder engagement, history of partnerships) (maximum 2000 characters with spaces):
4. Describe how your organization promotes opportunities for research development and capacity building in cancer research (e.g., programs, initiatives, resources) (maximum 2000 characters with spaces):
5. Describe your organization’s policies and initiatives related to equity, diversity, and inclusion (EDI) (maximum 2000 characters with spaces):
6. Describe your organization’s existing awards program (maximum 2000 characters with spaces):

**Section 3: Proposed Award Details**

1. Please select which joint award(s) your organization is interested in partnering on through the CIHR-ICR Sponsorship Awards Program. **You may select one or both awards**.
   * Research Excellence Award
   * Early Career Researcher Award
2. What is the requested amount for each proposed joint award? CIHR-ICR will sponsor up to a **maximum of $1500 CAD per award**.
   * Research Excellence Award:
   * Early Career Researcher Award:
3. CIHR-ICR will support the joint award(s) for up to three years per award (pending available funding). How many years do you anticipate administering the joint award(s)?

* 1 year
* 2 years
* 3 years

1. When is the proposed launch date for the joint award(s)?
   * Please select the date below.
2. When is the proposed deadline for applicants to apply for the joint award(s)?
   * Please select the date below.
3. When is the anticipated notice of decision for the joint award(s)? Please note that the recipient(s) of the joint award(s) must be selected and presented at your national conference by **December 31, 2026**.
   * Please select the date below.
4. Do the proposed joint award(s) target key gaps or address high-priority needs within the cancer research landscape? If so, please explain how (maximum 2000 characters with spaces).
5. Describe the proposed eligibility criteria for the joint award applicants (maximum 2000 characters with spaces):
6. Outline the application process for the proposed joint award(s) (maximum 2000 characters with spaces):
7. Outline the adjudication process for the joint award recipient(s) (maximum 2000 characters with spaces):
8. Is there additional information you would like to share regarding your organization and/or the proposed award(s) (maximum 2000 characters with spaces)?

Thank you for your application. Successful applicants will be notified by email by September 30, 2025.