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Institute of Aging

January 30, 2020

Institute of Cancer  
Research

Dr. France Légaré

Institute of Circulatory  
and Respiratory Health

CERSSPL-UL

Institute of Gender and  
Health

Pavillon Landry-Poulin, bureau A-4574

Institute of Genetics

2525, chemin de la Canardière

Institute of Health Services  
and Policy Research

Québec, Québec G1J 0A4

Institute of Human  
Development and Child  
and Youth Health

Dear Dr. Légaré:

Institute of Indigenous  
Peoples' Health

On behalf of the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR), I wish to congratulate you on your success in the recent CIHR funding competition!

Institute of Infection  
and Immunity

Institute of Musculoskeletal  
Health and Arthritis

As health researchers, we are united by a common goal: to improve the health and well-being of Canadians and people throughout the world. Through CIHR, the Government of Canada provides vital support to Canadian researchers, spanning the tightly linked pillars of health research, with the ultimate goal of improving health for all Canadians. As a recipient of this funding, you are now part of this endeavour.

Institute of Neurosciences,  
Mental Health and Addiction

Institute of Nutrition,  
Metabolism and Diabetes

Institute of Population and  
Public Health

As you are aware, the evaluation of your grant application was made possible thanks to peer reviewers who generously volunteer their time to support the Canadian health research enterprise. As a CIHR-funded researcher, your knowledge and expertise are invaluable to this process. If you are not already a peer reviewer, I would like to take this opportunity to invite you to consider becoming a member of the College of Reviewers. Please visit [www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/49923.html](http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/49923.html) to learn about the eligibility criteria and how to apply for membership.

Institut du vieillissement

Institut du cancer

Institut de la santé  
circulatoire et respiratoire

Institut de la santé des  
femmes et des hommes

Institut de génétique

Institut des services et  
des politiques de la santé

Institut du développement  
et de la santé des enfants  
et des adolescents

As health researchers, we are living at a time when science is under careful scrutiny, and it has become more important than ever to ensure that our work is clearly understood. As such, I would ask that you recognize your CIHR funding when delivering presentations and communicating about your research, and that you continue to advocate for the critical importance of research in advancing the health of Canadians.

Institut de la santé  
des Autochtones

Once again, please accept my congratulations on this impressive achievement and my best wishes for success in all your endeavours. I look forward to following the progress of your research.

Institut des maladies  
infectieuses et immunitaires

Institut de l'appareil  
locomoteur et de l'arthrite

Sincerely,

Institut des neurosciences,  
de la santé mentale et  
des toxicomanies

Institut de la nutrition,  
du métabolisme et du diabète

Michael J. Strong, MD, FRCPC, FAAN, FCAHS

Institut de la santé publique  
et des populations

President

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Dear Dr. Légaré,

On behalf of the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) and the Strategy for Patient-Oriented Research (SPOR), we are pleased to inform you that your recent application entitled "Patient-oriented scale up and spread for enhanced patient-centred care" submitted to the Catalyst Grant: Patient-Oriented Research competition has been approved for funding.

You will find posted in ResearchNet the competition results and the review documents related to your application. Your Authorization for Funding will follow in the mail.

We would like to take this time to recognize all co-applicants that were involved in your application, with a special acknowledgement to patient partners for their commitment to improve healthcare systems and practices. We ask that you convey our appreciation for their involvement in SPOR. As CIHR does not notify co-applicants of the decision, we ask that you inform those individuals involved, along with their research institutions (if different from your own), of the outcome of this application.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact CIHR's Contact Centre by email at [support@cihr-irsc.gc.ca](mailto:support@cihr-irsc.gc.ca) or by telephone at 613-954-1968.

Congratulations on your success in this competition!

Sincerely,

*Nathalie Gendron*

Nathalie Gendron, Ph.D.  
Manager, Program Design and Delivery  
Research Programs Portfolio

# Canadian Institutes of Health Research / Instituts de recherche en santé du Canada

## Notice of Decision / Avis de décision

Application Number/Numéro de la demande: 424959

Committee Code/Code du comité: PAO

Applicants/Candidats: Docteur France Légaré Mr. Ron Beleno

With/Avec: Monsieur A. Ben Charif Docteur J. Blais Dr. A. Gogovor Ms. K. Kastner  
 Dr. A. Milat Madame M. Ndiaye Docteur J. Paquette Dr. S. Straus  
 Monsieur G. Thibodeau Dr. L. Wolfenden

Institution paid/  
Établissement payé: Université Laval

Title/Titre: Patient-oriented scale up and spread for enhanced patient-centred care

Primary Inst./  
Inst. principal: Health Services and Policy Research / Services et politiques de la santé

Other Related Inst./  
Autres inst. connexes: Population and Public Health / Santé publique et des populations

**Competition Outcome/Résultats du concours:** Catalyst Grant: Patient-Oriented Research / Subvention catalyseur : Recherche axée sur le patient

September/Septembre 10, 2019

**Number in competition/Nbre de demandes dans le concours:** 147

**Number approved/Nbre de demandes approuvées:** 47

**Decision on your application/  
Décision sur votre demande:** Approved / Approuvée

**Average annual amount/  
Montant annuel moyen:** \$99,974

**Term/Durée:** 1 yrs/ans 0 months/mois

**Peer Review Committee Recommendation, for your information and use/  
Recommandation du comité d'examen par les pairs, pour fins d'information et d'utilisation:**

**Committee/Comité:** Catalyst Grant : Patient-Oriented Research / Subvention catalyseur : Recherche axée sur le patient

**Application rank within the competition/  
Rang de la demande dans ce concours:** 2

**Percent Rank Within the Competition/  
Rang en pourcentage au sein du concours:** 1.36%

**Rating/  
Cote:** 4.53

**Recommended average annual amount/  
Montant annuel moyen recommandé:** \$99,974

\*\*\* Applications receiving a score of less than 3.5 on any evaluation criteria will not be considered for Funding. / Les demandes qui ont reçu une note inférieure à 3.5 pour n'importe quel des critères d'évaluation ne sont pas admissibles.

**Review Type/Type d'évaluation:** Committee Member 1/Membre de comité 1  
**Name of Applicant/Nom du chercheur:** Légaré, France  
**Application No./Numéro de demande:** 424959  
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**Competition/Concours:** 2019-09-10 Catalyst Grant: Patient-Oriented Research/Subvention catalyseur : Recherche axée sur le patient  
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**Assessment/Évaluation:**

This proposal addresses a perceived gap in patient engagement for scale up projects. The team is robust and includes named patient partners with described roles including for the development of the proposal itself. The support planned for trainees and patient partners is clear and comprehensive. The training in support of the participation in the Delphi is an important component to the value of the outcome of the Delphi. An additional value is the planned use of PPEET to evaluate the patient partner engagement on the project. There is strong budgetary support of the the patient partners. While the development of a network is laudable, there is no indication of support for the network -- who will manage it or communicate with it, what will it do? The proposal without the network piece is strong. If a formal network is to be included, more needs to be detailed about it.

<b>Review Type/Type d'évaluation:</b>	Committee Member 2/Membre de comité 2
<b>Name of Applicant/Nom du chercheur:</b>	Légaré, France
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## Assessment/Évaluation:

### *Research Approach*

1. Extent to which the application responds to the **objective** of the funding opportunity.

Comments: The objective are met specifically developing partnerships. There is a limited mobilization plan. List of participants include patients and/or caregivers. KT mentioned in proposal which is good. Mentioned future plans.

2. Clarity, originality and value of the proposed activities.

Comments: clear and valuable to the KT field

3. Appropriateness and strength of the patient-oriented research approach, including the degree to which:
  - patients are engaged in identifying research priorities;
  - patients are engaged in identifying research outcomes;
  - patients are partners in conducting research;
  - the research team is multi-disciplinary and team members' roles are clearly outlined and integrated throughout the project; and
  - the results of the project will inform and/or be integrated into health system policy or practice.

Comments: 1, 2, 3 and 5 clear

4. Extent that **Sex- and Gender-Based Analysis Plus (SGBA+)** is appropriately integrated throughout the proposal, including study rationale, experimental design, methods, analysis, as well as data interpretation and reporting.

Comments: well laid out in proposal

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**Assessment/Évaluation:**

***Feasibility***

1. Appropriateness of the team to carry out the proposed activities.

Comments: strong team

2. Likelihood that this team can complete the proposed project and reasonableness of time commitments to the project.

Comments: seems likely and reasonable

3. Appropriateness of the budget based on proposed activities.

Comments: appropriate and reasonable

***Potential Impact of the Research***

1. Likely impact of the anticipated outcomes.

Comments: reasonable and the outcomes should benefit the KT field.

2. Likely significance of the potential partnerships and research for the involved community.

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**Assessment/Évaluation:**

Comments: strong

3. Potential to contribute to the improvement of health care systems and practices that support patient-oriented research.

Comments: could be beneficial

4. Likelihood that the proposed project will inform and/or result in a future funding application for a more comprehensive patient-oriented research project.

Comments: strong and likely.

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**Assessment/Évaluation:**
***Research Approach***

1. Extent to which the application responds to the objective of the funding opportunity.

Comments: to a great deal

2. Clarity, originality and value of the proposed activities.

Comments: clearly written. Topic is original but the methods are pretty standard. The value is that gaps in scale and spread will be identified with a POR lens. The delphi panel will engage broader stakeholders which in turn will situate the team for a larger trial

3. Appropriateness and strength of the patient-oriented research approach, including the degree to which:

- patients are engaged in identifying research priorities;
- patients are engaged in identifying research outcomes;
- patients are partners in conducting research;
- the research team is multi-disciplinary and team members' roles are clearly outlined and integrated throughout the project; and
- the results of the project will inform and/or be integrated into health system policy or practice.



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**Assessment/Évaluation:**

Comments:clear defined roles of patients building on existing relationships including engagement in outcome adjudication and being partners in the conduct of the research. A good multidisciplinary team with clear roles. Role of patients explicit throughout the process. Results are likely to inform the scientific literature and build on gaps in existing KT science

4. Extent that Sex- and Gender-Based Analysis Plus (SGBA+) is appropriately integrated throughout the proposal, including study rationale, experimental design, methods, analysis, as well as data interpretation and reporting.

Comments:well articulated throughout the proposal at a very sophisticated level

### ***Feasibility***

1. Appropriateness of the team to carry out the proposed activities.

Comments:Highly qualified and well situated team with appropriate skills, partnerships and resources to carry out the work with potential for international impact

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**Assessment/Évaluation:**

2. Likelihood that this team can complete the proposed project and reasonableness of time commitments to the project.

Comments:very doable. The scoping review will have to be contained to meet the timelines

3. Appropriateness of the budget based on proposed activities.

Comments:appropriate

***Potential Impact of the Research***

1. Likely impact of the anticipated outcomes.

Comments: great impact on scale and spread literature with a gender lens as well as a POR perspective

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**Assessment/Évaluation:**

2. Likely significance of the potential partnerships and research for the involved community.

Comments:very impactful on KT research in Canada, primary care interventions and eHealth innovation spread

3. Potential to contribute to the improvement of health care systems and practices that support patient-oriented research.

Comments: very high due to impact on how innovations can be adopted into health care systems while paying attention to POR and equity

4. Likelihood that the proposed project will inform and/or result in a future funding application for a more comprehensive patient-oriented research project.

Comments:Quite likely

<b>Review Type/Type d'évaluation:</b>	Committee Member 4/Membre de comité 4
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<b>Application No./Numéro de demande:</b>	424959
<b>Agency/Agence:</b>	CIHR/IRSC
<b>Competition/Concours:</b>	2019-09-10 Catalyst Grant: Patient-Oriented Research/Subvention catalyseur : Recherche axée sur le patient
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**Assessment/Évaluation:**

The application is consistent with the funding opportunity. It is very well written and polished application. The research is original and will be of broad interest in Canada. The team aims to “produce information and guidance on how to engage patients and other stakeholders in scaling up.” They will start by conducting a scoping review and then engage a diverse a diverse group of people around the world, including patients, to come to a consensus on which are the best strategies we found for engaging patients and other stakeholders in scaling up. The team is taking a patient-oriented approach to the research. Patients are actively involved in the research. I really like the research combines patient voice with existing literature and has potential to build on past research as a result. A strong international multi-disciplinary team has been formed. The PI is extremely strong and has given attention to trainee development. Considerable attention has been given to sex- and gender-based analyses. The project appears feasible in the timeline. The budget appears appropriate. The project is likely to strengthen partnerships, lead to future research grant applications and also have a positive impact on scaling up practices. There is a strong end of grant KT approach and KT evaluation plan