



AGE-WELL-Riverview Health Centre Award Application

AGE-WELL NCE Inc. and Riverview Health Centre Foundation have partnered to support one doctoral candidate or postdoctoral fellow pursue research on technologies to improve the quality of life 1) of persons living in personal care homes and/or 2) of staff working in these facilities to support the lives of residents. In particular, we are interested in projects that include a focus on Alzheimer's disease.

All proposals submitted for funding must have the written approval of an ethics committee of a Manitoba University as well as Access Approval by the Riverview Health Centre Research Committee prior to the release of funds. In addition, any major change in the study protocol or budget during the project must be approved before the grantee undertakes the change.

The award is intended to enhance existing funding to a promising new scholar in the amount of \$30,000* over one (1) year.

*Upon notification of a successful application, the selected applicant is expected to leverage \$15,000 of Riverview Health Centre Foundation funds through two (2) units of Mitacs Accelerate funding, bringing the total amount of support to \$45,000 over one (1) year. Additional support from Mitacs for projects that meet the eligibility criteria of the Accelerate program is subject to peer-review. Of this, \$30,000 would be set aside for salary while \$10,000 would be available as flexible research costs.

General Instructions

Applicants should review the general guidelines of the AGE-WELL-Riverview Health Centre Award Competition Guidelines before completing this application.

Application Submission

Submit completed applications and reference letters to training@agewell-nce.ca. All applications must be received in full by no later than

Complete applications consist of:

- This application form completed in full and signed
- An up-to-date CV
- Two (2) confidential letters of reference sent directly to training@agewell-nce.ca by your referees
- Certificate of Ethics Approval (if available)

Assessment Criteria

1. **40%** - Scholarly merit and quality of proposed research (clarity of research questions/objectives; appropriateness of methods; generalizability and validity of research methodology utilized; experience and skills of the investigative team)
2. **40%** - Fit with AGE-WELL and Riverview Health Centre Goals and Priorities
3. **20%** - Quality of training environment.

Timeline

Award applications open: 1 September 2017



Award applications close: 13 October 2017

Applicants notified: 15 November 2017

Successful applicants must submit their Mitacs application: 30 November 2017

Mitacs decision: February 2018

Award term: 1 March 2018 – 28 February 2019

Contact

Any questions about the administration of the AGE-WELL-Riverview Health Centre Postdoctoral Award should be sent to the AGE-WELL Education and Training Administrator at training@agewell-nce.ca.

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Background Information

1.1. Title of project:			
1.2. Name of Doctoral/Postdoctoral Applicant			
1.3. Institutional Affiliation			
1.4. Name of Doctoral/Postdoctoral Supervisor			
1.5. Academic Status	Please indicate if the applicant is a doctoral or postdoctoral applicant (e.g. Doctoral, Yr 2)		
1.6. Ethics Certificate	Certificate of Ethical Approval Attached? Please select Y/N	Certificate of Ethical Approval to follow? Please select Y/N	
1.7. Keywords to identify reviewers: (max 6 specific keywords; 50% technically related, 50% discipline-related)			
1.8. Academic discipline:	Select Discipline		
1.9. Project priority sectors:	1st Priority Sector	2nd Priority Sector	3rd Priority Sector
Please rank up to three top priority sector(s) of your project:	1	2	3

Scholarly Merit of Proposed Research

2.1. Lay Abstract (Max 200 words):

Please include: Research problem to be addressed and its significance, objectives, and proposed methodology.

2.2. Statement of Research Focus (1/2 page):



In this section, applicants should describe:

- 1) How does your research connect to research foci of the AGE-WELL NCE and Riverview Health Centre?
- 2) Why is your project important?
- 3) Who is your target user population(s)?
- 4) What is the expected social and economic impact of your research?

2.3. Research Objectives and Aims (1/2 page):

In this section describe the following aspects of your research:

- 1) Overall aim of the research
- 2) Specific objectives - these should include both the research objectives AND the “non-academic” objectives, such as knowledge transfer etc. (these objectives should be related to the specific project activities that will be mapped out in “tasks/activities” in the next section)
- 3) Specific research question(s) (if appropriate)

2.4. How will you achieve your project goal(s)? (1/2 page)

In this section describe the following aspects of your research:

- 1) Brief overview of the approach (design/methods) you will use to meet your project objectives
- 2) Describe the type of research being undertaken e.g. technology development, review, feasibility study, pilot study, requirements analysis, prototype development, intervention study, evaluation study, etc.
- 3) Describe the tasks and activities planned (provide detail on specific tasks to be carried out to meet the project objectives you identified above). “Activities” may include research activities, KT, innovation, commercialization, team-building and training, etc.
- 4) Provide **specific timing** of the various tasks, activities and milestones, where milestones are critical points in the project (e.g. completion of a task)

2.5. Potential for innovation (1/2 page)

Innovation is a critical outcome of the AGE-WELL Network. Innovation may come in various forms, including social innovation, scientific innovation, technological innovation, and policy-based innovation. In this section, as applicable, address the following:

Social innovation: What are practical benefits of your research to the wider community? How will these benefits be achieved?

Technological innovation: What are the novel aspects and contributions of your research from a technical point of view? How will these be achieved?

Policy and practice innovation: How might policies, services and care be transformed by your research? How will these changes be achieved?



Scientific innovation: What are the key scientific outputs from this research? How will these be communicated to the scientific and/or knowledge-using communities?