



NYGH Exploration Fund Call for Submissions

APPLICATION DEADLINE: MONDAY NOVEMBER 2ND, 2020
NOTIFICATION OF DECISION: WEEK OF NOVEMBER 30TH, 2020

Program Overview

Do you need funding to explore an idea or solution focused on improving patient's healthcare?

The North York General Exploration Fund supports NYGH physicians and staff with the opportunity to explore new ideas or solutions across the Hospital. We are grateful to philanthropic supporters, NYGH, and the North York General Foundation.

Funding Available

- Up to **\$7,500** for **Small Grant applications**.
- Up to **\$27,000** for the **Sellers Family Research Grant** for research in the areas of Autoimmune disease, Neurology, and Quality of Life.

The funding is supposed to be used within one year, although an extension may be requested.

Eligibility Criteria

Studies seeking to assess the impact of an initiative should have the core components of the initiative (hospital staff time, IT or DS support, etc.) supported by the Hospital. Evaluative staff such as an epidemiologist, study coordinator, or statistician may be supported by the Exploration Fund. Professional or consultant staff salaries/fees are generally not eligible, and strong consideration should be given to inviting such individuals to join as co-investigators.

Conditions of Funding

Like any research conducted at NYGH, successful applicants will be required to receive (1) approval by the Research Ethics Board and (2) institutional authorization by Research & Innovation (R&I).

Selection Criteria and Expected Outcome

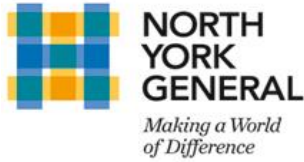
Applications will be judged by a Committee with diverse representation and not necessarily expertise in the subject matter. Applications will be evaluated on the following criteria:

- How significant is the problem being addressed?
- How effectively does the idea/solution address the identified problem?
- Does the project have clearly defined goals?
- Is it feasible?

The expected outcome is important. It might be a poster presentation, a publication in a peer-reviewed journal and/or another public demonstration of potential impact.

The Committee reserves the right to make budget revisions as deemed appropriate.

It is expected that successful applicants will assist NYGH and the North York General Foundation in publicizing the research.



NYGH Exploration Fund Application

Submit to: explorationfund@nygh.on.ca

By: MONDAY NOVEMBER 2ND, 2020

PLEASE COMPLETE ALL SECTIONS OF THE APPLICATION FORM

Please select one:

- Small Grant (up to \$7,500)
- The Sellors Family Research Grant (up to \$27,000)

PART I. PRINCIPAL APPLICANT INFORMATION

(i) The principal applicant must be an employee of NYGH **or** a credentialed physician with “Active” status.

Principal Applicant is (select one):

- NYGH Staff
- Credentialed physician with “Active” status

Name of Principal Applicant:

Position:

Program/Department:

Phone and extension:

Email:

(ii) Principal Applicant, please attach most recent CV attached

PART II. Co-APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name	NYGH Program/Department or Other Institution	Role

PART III. REQUIRED SIGNATURES

Principal Applicant Signature	Date
Program Director/Department Chief Name and Signature	Date

PART IV. PROJECT PROPOSAL

Prepare your proposal as outlined below.

1 **Title of Project**

2 **Project Summary.** This summary will be used to communicate your project to the public if funded. It should be geared toward a lay audience and be informative to the North York General Foundation (250 words).

3 **Project Description.** Provide a maximum two (2) page description of your project. Briefly and clearly describe how the proposed project can improve patient health and/or the health delivery system. To guide this description, address the points below.

- (i) **What is the need or opportunity addressed by this project?** Identify any supporting evidence for the effectiveness and relevance of the proposed project, including references from the literature, or related pilot and trial data (200 words).
- (ii) **What are the intended outcomes of this project?** Identify the specific goals or measurable results you intend to achieve with the funding and speculate on the impacts (150 words).
- (iii) **How will these outcomes be achieved?** Summarize key activities to achieve within the funding period, highlighting any innovative practices or technological approaches (600 words).
- (iv) **Identify your key outcome measure and targets.** Provide a brief description of the expected significance or impact of this project and an overview of how results will be disseminated (e.g. presentation at national/international conference, peer reviewed publication), or a “real world” impact (250 words).

4 **References.** Provide a list of authoritative sources for your statements.

PART V. BUDGET AND RESOURCES

(i) On the table below, please itemize the budget.

The following requests will be considered:

- *Salary support of summer students, post-doctoral fellows and graduate students (contact R&I for standard rates).*
- *Computer/software purchases require a quotation and justification.*

*The following requests are **NOT** eligible:*

- *Administrative assistant salaries.*
- *Office furniture.*
- *Requests for funding requiring a clinical build.*
- *Salary or stipend for NYGH physicians, professionals, staff or other investigators.*

ITEM DESCRIPTION:	JUSTIFICATION	\$

