

**PAULA GOERING COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH AND KNOWLEDGE TRANSLATION AWARD IN
MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTIONS**

Call for Applications 2018

The **Paula Goering Collaborative Research and Knowledge Translation Award** recognizes an innovative researcher – knowledge user collaborative project for Integrated Knowledge Translation in the area of mental health and addictions. The award was created to acknowledge Dr. Goering’s wide ranging and significant contributions to the field of Health Services Research in Canada and internationally, including advancements in the field of knowledge translation. The award is offered on a bi-annual basis (every two years). Since the award was first launched in 2012, there have been three calls and three projects have received awards. This is the fourth call for applications.

Dr. Paula Goering was a national leader in health services research and a pathbreaker in integrated knowledge development and dissemination. She held various senior positions at the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health in Toronto, including Head of the Health Systems Research and Consulting Unit which she established. She was a Professor in the Departments of Psychiatry and Nursing, and the Institute of Health Policy, Management & Evaluation at the University of Toronto. From 2000 to 2010, Dr. Goering held a CIHR/CHSRF Chair in Health Services Research, with a focus on Knowledge Translation.

“Knowledge translation (KT) is a dynamic and iterative process that includes synthesis, dissemination, exchange and ethically sound application of knowledge to improve the health of Canadians, provide more effective health services and products and strengthen the health care system. This statement recognizes that KT is complex, requiring an interactive and dialectic process between researchers and knowledge users”.¹

The Award Committee is inviting applicants for partnership projects that specifically demonstrate use of an **Integrated Knowledge Translation (IKT)** approach. As indicated by CIHR, IKT occurs when researchers and knowledge users engage in a collaborative process at every stage of a project, with the overarching goal being the co-production of knowledge, its exchange and its translation into action. IKT starts with selection of the research question and continues with decisions about the methodology, data collection approach, interpretation of findings, dissemination of results and movement of results into practice¹.

¹ <http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/29418.html>

The Paula Goering award was created to recognize and share the knowledge gained from innovative projects. The award committee is seeking collaborative research projects that demonstrate innovation and creativity, and value to the field. At least one of the partners should be based in the province of Ontario. All investigators, including young investigators (Master’s degree and above, and within five years of receiving their highest degree) are encouraged to apply for the award.

The winning collaborative partnership(s) will be invited to present their project.

Award Details

Eligibility Criteria
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project is completed or close to completion. • At least one partner in the project is based in Ontario. • The project is based on IKT principles and values aligned with the CIHR definition.
Principal Adjudication Criteria
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project demonstrates components of IKT. • Project has mental health and/or addictions focus. • Project approach shows innovation, creativity. • Value to the field is demonstrated.
Required Information
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project information (1000 words maximum): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The partner names and contact information. ▪ The nature of partnership. ▪ Why it fits into an integrated knowledge translation approach (see CIHR definition). ▪ Stage of implementation/completion. ▪ Evidence of success or impact. • Plain language summary (250 words maximum) • Partner brief bios (at least one researcher and one knowledge user; 200 words per bio maximum)
Award Information
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Total funds available: \$2000 • Up to two awards available. • An opportunity for the winning partnership(s) to present their project(s).

APPLICATION TIMELINES

Application submission deadline: May 31, 2018
 Award recipient notified: by July, 2018
 Review Committee: Includes representation from research, knowledge user and policy communities.

SUBMISSION PROCESS

Please complete the [application form](#) and submit electronically to: angela.yip@camh.ca. If you have trouble with the PDF form, you may also send in a Word Document.