PAULA GOERING COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH AND KNOWLEDGE TRANSLATION AWARD IN MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTIONS
Call for Applications 2016

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). Two projects have received awards so far. This is the third call for applications.

Dr. Paula Goering has 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. Dr. Goering is still active as a CAMH affiliate scientist and is a Professor in the Departments of Psychiatry and Nursing, and the Institute of Health Policy, Management & Evaluation at the University of Toronto. In 2000, Dr. Goering was awarded a 10 year 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"*. (http://www.learning.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/mod/resource/view.php?id=157)

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 practice[1].

[1] http://www.learning.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/mod/resource/view.php?id=157

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

Award Details

Eligibility Criteria
• 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
• 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
• Project information (1000 words maximum): ▪ 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 decision maker; 200 words per bio maximum)
Award Information
• Amount of award: $2000 • An opportunity will be created for the winning partnership to present their project.

APPLICATION TIMELINES

Application submission deadline:	March 11, 2016
Award recipient notified:	by April 29, 2016
Review Committee:	Includes representation from research and decision-maker/policy communities.

SUBMISSION PROCESS

Please complete the **application form** and submit electronically to: angela.yip@camh.ca.