

Seed Grants Competition – Open Call for Proposals

(NEW: Members may request up to \$15,000)

The One Health Network for the Global Governance of Infectious Diseases and Antimicrobial Resistance (Global 1HN) is pleased to announce its first Seed Grants Competition to provide financial support to researchers currently developing research projects relevant to Global 1HN and the four Research Enabling Platforms (REPs) identified as its research priorities. This seed funding is specifically meant to encourage the development of new collaborative research proposals for major funding agencies and must incorporate applicants across the Network from various disciplinary backgrounds. The goal of Global 1HN is to strengthen Canadian leadership in improving the global governance of infectious diseases (IDs) and antimicrobial resistance (AMR) by building and sustaining a transdisciplinary and intersectoral One Health Network, originating in Canada but extending globally, with a focus on the Americas. As part of this, the Network aims to enhance research capacity for conducting interdisciplinary research on the global governance of IDs and AMR using a One Health lens. The One Health approach, in this context, refers to designing and implementing programmes, policies, legislation, and research in a way that enables multiple sectors and stakeholders engaged in human, animal, plant, and environmental health to communicate and collaborate to better detect, evaluate, control, respond to and prevent infectious diseases and AMR achieve better health outcomes, with explicit consideration given to the social, economic, and political contexts that influence individual, cultural, and governmental behaviours.

The research focus of the Network is divided along four REPs: (1) detection; (2) response; and (3) institutionalization in the global governance of Infectious Diseases (IDs) and AMR; while systematically considering aspects of (4) equity. The Seed Grants will contribute to facilitating new research connections and jump-starting new research projects through providing early stage support to develop novel interdisciplinary research proposals under, and across, the REPs of the Network.

Criteria for Application

- One principal applicant must be a member (principal investigator, co-investigator or collaborator) of Global 1HN.
- The application consists of a maximum 2-page description of an original idea to be developed into a full-scale research proposal through the Seed Grant.
- The candidates should indicate to what funding agency and grant competition they will apply, including a timeline for submission of proposal.
- The description should contain a brief description of proposed research objective and specific aims; background, gaps and significance; the proposed methodological approach and its innovative potential; interdisciplinarity and integration to the Global 1HN and its REPs; budget justification, and timeline.
- **NEW: The budget requested cannot exceed \$15,000.**

- **NEW:** It is no longer necessary that the principal investigator and co-investigator come from different fields (e.g. medical, veterinary, environmental, or social sciences) and social sciences. Proposals should, to the extent possible, include other members of the network as co-applicants; although individuals not yet a member of the network are also welcome to act as co-applicants.
- The principal applicant must submit an academic CV with the 2-page description of the research proposal.
- The research project must include approaches or methods relevant to both social and health sciences and should aim to actively integrate these approaches.
- Applications involving multiple Global 1HN members, across multiple universities are highly encouraged.
- Seed Grant recipients are encouraged to present their successful proposals at the next annual network meeting of Global 1HN.

Application Process and Open Deadline

The application and curriculum vitae must be submitted by email to Corinne Packer at:

cpacker@uottawa.ca. **NEW:** Applications will be accepted until February 15th, 2023. We expect to make decisions within 4 weeks of submission of the application.

Global 1HN strongly values diversity, including gender and sexual diversity, and is committed to ensuring equity, diversity and inclusion in the activities of our network. Accordingly, we strongly encourage applications from equity-seeking and historically under-represented groups: Indigenous persons, racialized persons, persons with disabilities, LGBTTIQQ2S community members, and women. Candidates who wish to be considered as a member of one or more designated groups are asked to self-identify within their application (only if they choose to do so).