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Communique to CDF Stakeholders

Re: Changes to CDF Research Grants, beginning 2019

The CDF is introducing a number of important changes to their regular Research Grants structure, which will come into effect for the 2019 competition (application deadline Monday, February 25, 2019).

The changes are as follows:

1. CDF Research Grants will now provide funding over a two-year period, with half of the funds being provided at the start of the first year, and the remaining half at the start of the second year.
2. As part of the application process, applicants will be required to choose the amount of funding that they are requesting from one of four possible amounts:
 - a. \$5,000/year for two years = \$10,000 total funding
 - b. \$10,000/year for two years = \$20,000 total funding
 - c. \$25,000/year for two years = \$50,000 total funding
 - d. \$50,000/ year for two years = \$100,000 total funding
3. Successful grantees will only be able to hold one CDF Research Grant during each two-year cycle. For example if an applicant is successful in the 2019 competition, they would not be eligible to apply again until the 2021 competition. For each competition where they are eligible, only one application can be submitted by any given principle investigator.
4. Each funded principle investigator must submit a progress report at the end of year 1 in order for CDF to release the year 2 funds.
5. Each funded principle investigator must submit a final report at the end of year 2 in order for CDF to release any new funds coming to them in any subsequent 2-year cycle of funding.
6. All Principle Investigators must be CDA Members or Associate, and must hold a primary appointment in a Dermatology Department or Division of a Canadian University.

As noted above, the deadline for applications this year is Monday, February 25, 2019. Updated application forms and guideline documents will be available on cdf.ca shortly.

The CDF Board of Directors are committed to promoting dermatological research in Canada, and motivation for these changes is to ensure the growth and support of Canadian dermatologist researchers. We would welcome any comments and feedback that you might have.

Yours sincerely,

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