

Resident Research Grant Opportunity

One-time survey research grant

Are you a paediatric trainee interested in

- **Public health research?**
- **Rare conditions?**
- **Rare complications of common conditions?**



The Canadian Paediatric Surveillance Program (CPSP) is offering paediatric trainees a \$3,000 in-kind research grant to enable a one-time CPSP survey.

CPSP one-time surveys are a valuable epidemiological and public health tool, as they can capture a signal, answer a specific emerging public health question, and collect meaningful national medical/health policy data in near-real time. This knowledge can be used to lead to a change in legislation or an improvement in medical management. For example, past CPSP one-time surveys have motivated the public ban on baby walkers, inspired further investment in the prevention of vitamin D deficiency rickets, and advanced the discussion on detergent pod safety. [One-time surveys](#) are sent out to all CPSP participants, including 2,500 paediatricians and paediatric subspecialists currently practicing across Canada. For more information about the CPSP, visit cpsp.cps.ca.

Criteria for applying

Applicant must:

- Be a paediatric trainee (resident or fellow)
- Be a member of the Canadian Paediatric Society (CPS)
- Have identified a minimum of one faculty mentor to oversee the research project
- Be able to analyze and publish results in a timely fashion

Deliverables

- Publish a 600–750-word [CPSP Highlights](#) article on survey findings in *Paediatrics & Child Health*
- Author a 300–500-word summary article in the [CPSP Results](#)
- Submit an abstract for a poster presentation at the [CPS Annual Conference](#); as well as other relevant national and international conferences and manuscripts to peer-reviewed journals.

Deadline

The application deadline is **Wednesday, March 1, 2017**. Applications or any questions should be submitted to cpsp@cps.ca.

Application process and timelines

The applicant must contact the CPSP office in advance of the submission deadline to discuss the survey topic and research team.

Submission of:

- A one-page application outlining the topic of interest and explaining how the knowledge generated from the research will benefit the health of children and youth in Canada.

The CPSP Steering Committee will review all proposals in April 2017. The winning applicant will be notified no later than May 2017.

It is expected the winning trainee will present a finalized survey to the CPSP Steering Committee in November 2017. The survey must be ready

for distribution to CPSP participants in January 2018 and the results ready for analysis in March 2018.

The 600–750-word CPSP Highlights article will be due by June 1, 2018, and the abstract, if accepted, should be presented at the CPS Annual Conference in June 2018. The 300–500-word summary article for the *CPSP 2018 Results* will be due by December 15, 2018.

Further information on the application package

The one-page application should include the following (singled-spaced, minimum 10-point font size):

- One paragraph of background information, outlining the epidemiology of the condition (disorders of low incidence are well suited for a CPSP survey), its public health importance, and the overall scientific importance of the proposed topic
- One paragraph describing the specific research question to be answered by the CPSP survey, a statement of justification

as to why the CPSP is the ideal platform to answer this question, and a brief overview of how the results will be analyzed to generate meaningful conclusions

- One paragraph describing the plan to disseminate the survey results (including national and international meetings and target publications), as well as outlining the potential impact of the survey results on clinical care and public health/policy change
- One paragraph on the qualifications of the trainee and sponsoring supervisor with respect to both the topic and the methods associated with surveillance research

Please note that the CPSP project proposal does not need to go through an institution's Research Ethics Board prior to application.