

Mentored Midwifery Research Grant

Completed Application Includes:

- Application and Budget Form
- Research Proposal
- Applicant and Mentor CV(s) *PDF(s) attached separately*

Application Process

Please take the time to read the application and instructions carefully. The application deadline is **October 29, 2018 at 11:59pm**. It is your responsibility to ensure that the application and all supporting documentation are submitted on time. Incomplete or late applications will not be considered.

Grants will be awarded following peer review by members of the Association of Ontario Midwives' [Midwifery Research Work Group](#) (MRWG) and external peer reviewers.

Thank you for your interest in supporting midwife-led research initiatives in Ontario.

Instructions for Submission:

Please submit the following by email to researchgrants@aom.on.ca

1. [Application and Budget form](#)
2. [Research proposal](#) (*maximum of 5 pages; additional pages will not be accepted*)
 - References including any tables, charts, figures and graphs may be submitted as an appendix to the research proposal beyond the 5 page limit.
 - Formatting requirements:
 - Document type .doc or .docx
 - 12 point font size
 - Times New Roman font
 - Single spaced
 - Minimum 2 cm margins
 - File naming instructions: **Mentored_GrantProposal_YOUR NAME**
3. Applicant and Mentor's CVs, submitted as one combined PDF

Research Proposal

Summarize your proposed research plan according to the headings below. Your entire research proposal must not exceed a total of **5 pages as stipulated** and must contain:

- **Introduction/overview of literature review**
- **Objectives**
- **Relevance to midwifery**
- **Methodology** (*Provide an overview of the approach and the population that will be used. If you plan to use human subjects please outline how you will obtain ethics approval*)
- **Timeline** (*Demonstrate how you will complete this project within 18 months of receiving funding approval*)
- **Importance of the proposed research and expected results** (*Describe the expected outcomes highlighting the significance of the research and how it will advance knowledge and/or its application to midwifery. Please describe plans for knowledge translation and dissemination*)
- **Equity considerations** (*Describe how the proposed research plan takes into consideration disadvantaged groups. If not applicable, describe why*)
- **Mentor/mentee relationship and mentorship plan** (*1/4 of the 5 page limit must be dedicated to this heading*) Describe:
 - i. *Mentor's research qualifications and background in relation to proposed area of research and/or methodology*
 - ii. *Details of the specific mentored support to be provided (i.e. research strategy support, progress monitoring, training in new research methods or platforms, constructive feedback on drafts)*
 - iii. *Details regarding the mentor/mentee relationship (i.e. supervision plan, meeting schedule, expectations and benchmarks)*

You can find more information about finding a mentor [here](#).

Appendix: Assessment criteria

Criteria	Absent	Fair	Good	Excellent	Reviewer's score
<p>Research concept <i>How well developed is the research project? Consider the following:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The research questions and objectives are clearly defined, original, and are reflective of context and needs (issues and/or gaps). The proposal is well written and flows logically. The scope of the project is appropriate considering the applicant's available resources, and the allotted timeframe. 	0	1	2	3	
<p>Relevance to midwifery <i>How relevant is the project to midwifery? Consider the following:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The project has the potential to benefit childbearing families in Ontario. The project aligns with the midwifery philosophy of care. 	0	1	2	3	
<p>Research design and methodology <i>Are the research methods appropriate and well described? Consider the following:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The proposed methods are appropriate for the research question(s). The analytical framework and methods are clearly described and realistic. The proposed research plan describes considerations for disadvantaged groups. If not applicable, an explanation is provided If applicable, the procedure for obtaining ethics approval is clearly described. 	0	1	2	3	
<p>Knowledge Translation <i>What will be the impact of the research and has the applicant considered how to disseminate the findings appropriately? Consider the following:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The potential impact of the research results is well described. The proposal includes an appropriate plan for knowledge translation and dissemination. 	0	1	2	3	
<p>Mentorship environment <i>Does the applicant and their mentor have the necessary skills and/or supports to undertake the project? Consider the following:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mentor has research or academic appointment at a university and demonstrates a track record of research excellence Mentor's research qualifications and background are applicable to proposed area of research and/or methodology 	0	1	2	3	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mentor support was identified and appropriate (i.e. research strategy support, progress monitoring, training in new research methods or platforms, constructive feedback on drafts) • Mentorship plan was identified and appropriate (i.e. supervision plan, meeting schedule, expectations and benchmarks) 						
<p>Budget and budget justification <i>How feasible is the project from a cost perspective? Consider the following:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The requested budget is appropriate and proposed costs are justified. • The total amount requested is no more than \$5,000. 	0	1	2	3		
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