

VCHRI SPARKS Research Project Summary

1. Scientific Summary (4500-character limit)

Provide a scientific summary of the proposed project suitable for a researcher outside your field. The summary should include background information, a research question/hypothesis, specific aims and relevant methodology, the significance of the work and the feasibility of completing the project in the time available. Include a sentence on equity, diversity, and inclusion (EDI) considerations as relevant to the research project. If you believe no EDI considerations are applicable to the research, provide an explanation.

2. Training Expectation (3000-character limit)

Describe the student's specific role(s) in the research project including the specific tasks to be performed and instruction/mentorship to be provided.

3. Project Relevance (3000-character limit)

Describe how the proposed research has direct relevance to improving health outcomes, patient experience, and/or service delivery at a VCH site or a community within the VCH region. Applications that do not adequately demonstrate the project relevance will be ineligible for funding.

4. Indigenous Health Research (2000-character limit)

Explain the considerations of how your project may involve or impact Indigenous communities, Peoples, lands, or partnerships. Considerations include health topics that disproportionately impact Indigenous Peoples (e.g., work in the Downtown Eastside, chronic diseases such as diabetes, heart disease, etc.), cultural safety training, previous experience, data collection and handling, and recommendations provided from the Indigenous Health Research Unit. If you believe no considerations are applicable to the research, provide an explanation.