



Introduction to the Research Partner Network For Pediatrics March 6, 2024

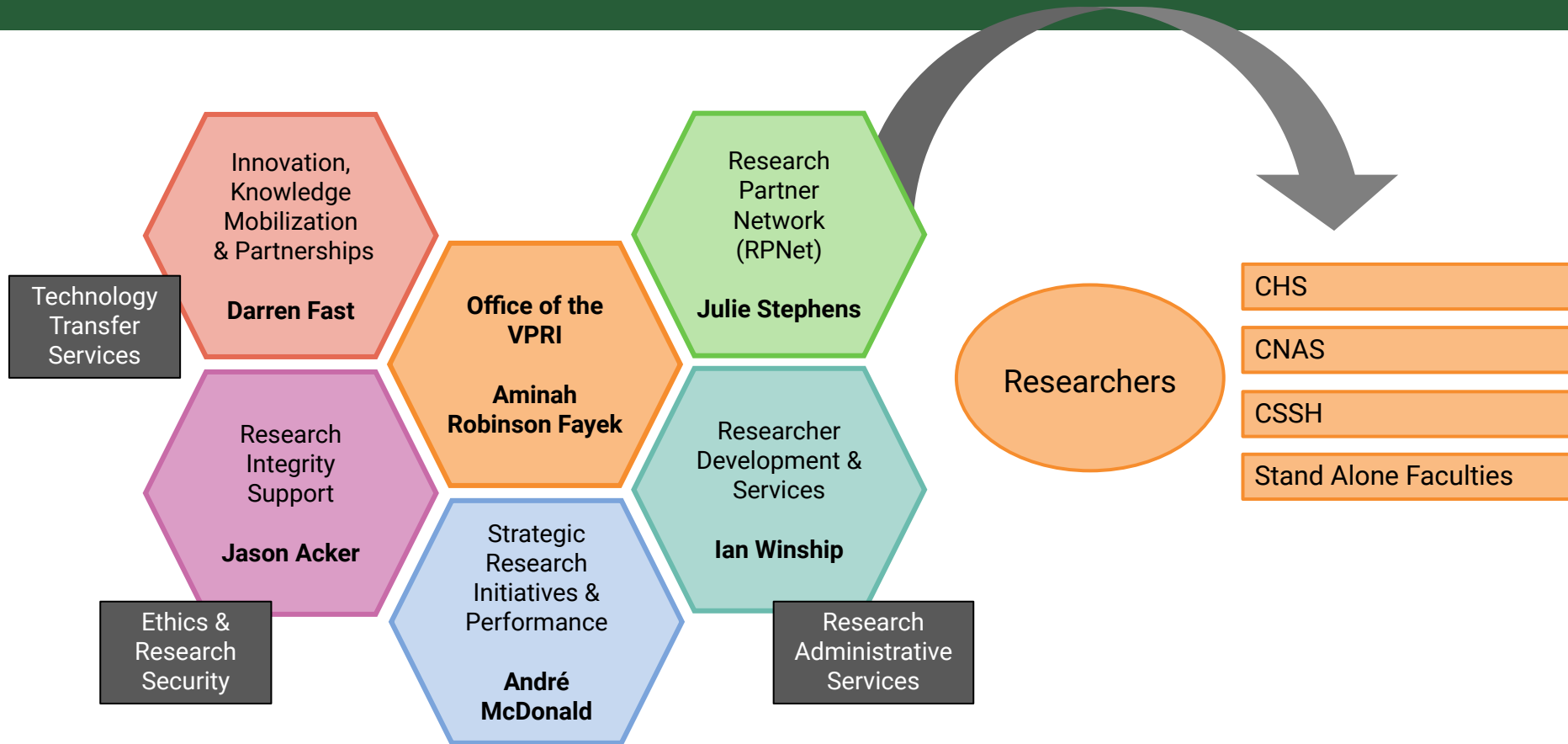


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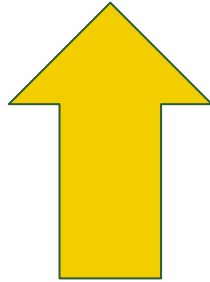
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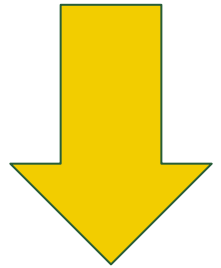
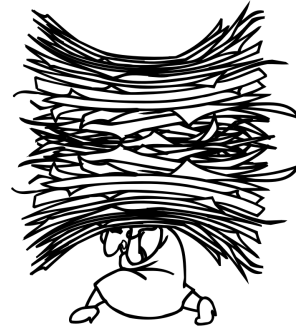
Research Partner Network

The goals of the RPNet are to

1. Increase the success of U of A research proposals



2. Reduce administrative load on our researchers.



HOW

HOW IS THIS POSSIBLE



Research Partner Network

Research Partners

and

Research Administration Specialists

Research Partners

- Strategic advice: Peer mentoring, aligning research proposals with funder requirements, grant laddering, academic content, knowledge mobilization/translation, and research data management.
- Grant-crafting: Group sessions to improve grant genre literacy and grant writing proficiency.
- Grant application development: Proposed research project/program concept assessment, proposal peer review, editorial review, occasional research assistant and graphics support.

Research Partners

- Research team and sponsor relations development: Facilitation of networking opportunities between researcher-colleagues and between researchers and funders.
- Grant support coordination: Engagement with relevant and complementary units at the University of Alberta to enhance proposals.

Your Research Partners

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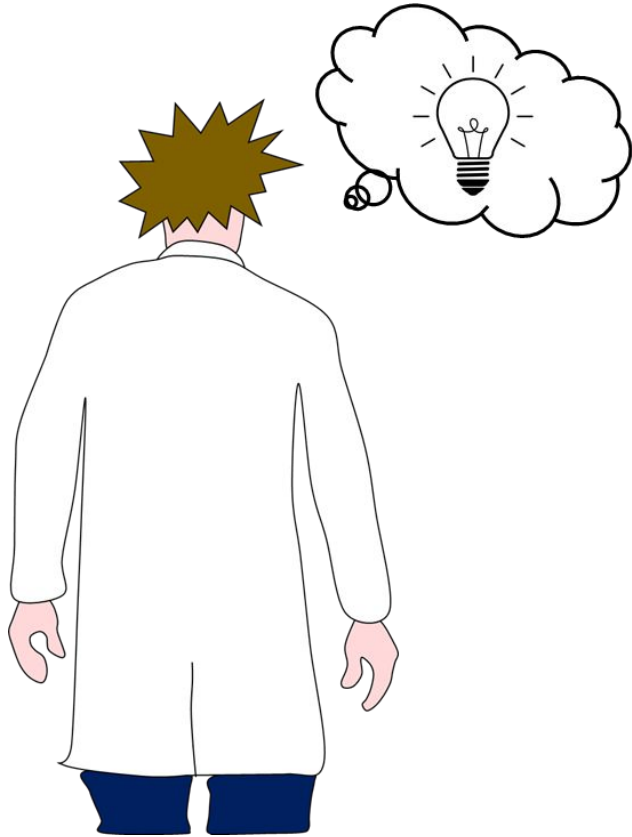
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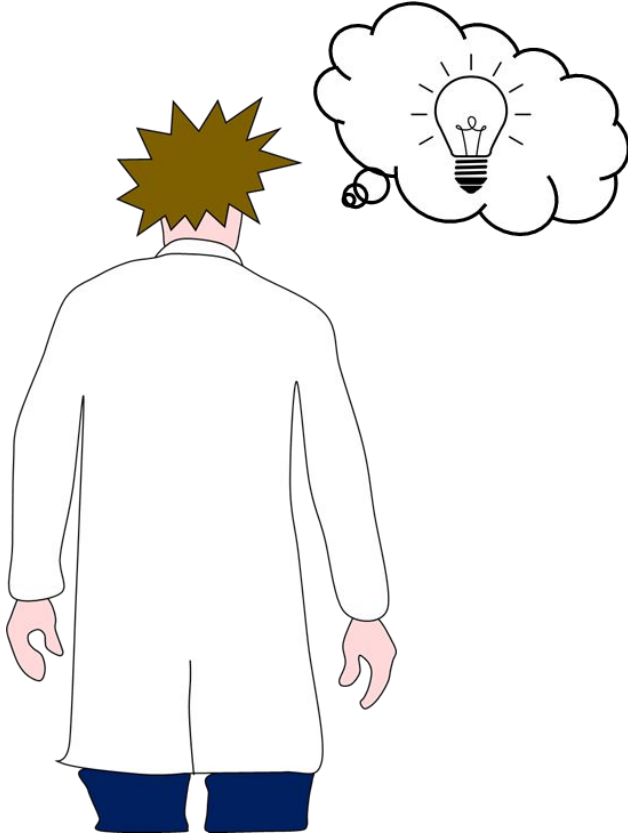
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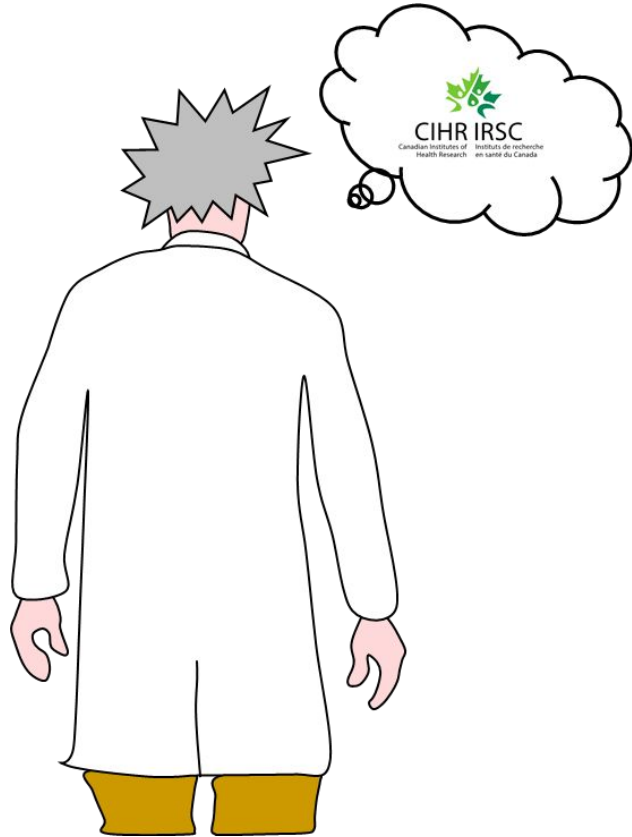
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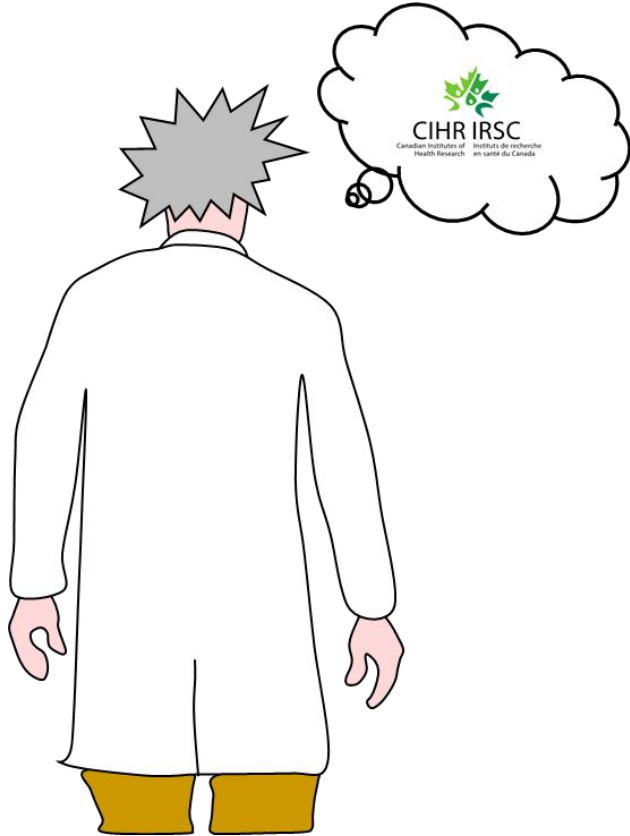
- 1. Reach out to RP or WCHRI**
- 2. Together define a research funding plan focused on seed funding, collaboration**
- 3. Connect them with successful applicants**
- 4. Review proposal draft**
- 5. Guidance through application process**

Example 2



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1. **Reach out to RP**
2. **Forensic review of CIHR comments**
3. **Project Grant reference guides/tipsheet**
4. **Connect with successful applicants and CIHR committee members**
5. **Information sessions**
6. **Professional editing**
7. **Internal expert and non-expert review**

Research Partner Network

Research Administration Specialists

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- Responsible for the overall development and coordination of the institution-wide research development support provided by the Research Administration Specialists.
- Works with College/Faculty General Managers to coordinate work with the administrative positions in the Colleges/Faculties and other partner networks.
- Actively engaged in research administrative process and procedure improvement and subsequent implementation across the institution.
- Works with Faculty Research teams to align support and strategies.

Research Administration Specialists

- Offering to be a primary point of contact for all issues related to research administration.
- Provide tactical research administration, navigational, and policy and procedure support to researchers and unit administrators by providing advice, troubleshooting of project and system related issues, etc..
- Develop and deliver research administration related training.

Examples of Questions

- Project closed but we haven't completed the work, how do we extend the project?
- Project closed because it is overextended, what do we do?
- How long is the auto-extension period on my CIHR grant?
- Why hasn't my project been activated yet?
- How do I accept a donation?
- Who should I use as contacts on my application?
- I wasn't able to hire pdf to work on the project, can I hire a technician and still pay them from my grant?

Examples of Other Things They Do

- Administrative project reopenings
- Determine PI eligibility and process exceptions to the Eligibility to Apply for and Hold Research Funding policy
- Complete and Submit Grant Amendment Forms for Tri-agency grants
- Maintain Department and Faculty contact lists for VPRI
- and more to come!

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