

## Regulations 2017 Awards Program

### Cardiorespiratory Division Scholarship - 2017

The Cardiorespiratory Division (CRD) has established a scholarship to support graduate students pursuing research which advances knowledge and practice in cardiorespiratory physiotherapy. The scholarship is offered to a physiotherapist enrolled in a post-entry level Master's or PhD program, who is conducting research related to cardiorespiratory clinical practice as part of the academic requirements for completion of their program. One scholarship of **\$10,000** will be awarded in 2017. The successful applicant must be a member of CPA in good standing.

#### Criteria:

- Enrolled in a post-entry level MSc or PhD program
- Field of research (study) related to cardiorespiratory physiotherapy
- CPA member in good standing
- Contribute a summary of the work to the Gas Exchange (CRD newsletter) upon completion of the research study
- Consider presenting research at the Canadian Physiotherapy Association Congress
- Credit the CRD (& PFC) with the support of any publications or presentations of the work
- Must include a written statement of the relevance (250 words) on why their project is relevant to cardiorespiratory practice.

#### Regulations

1. The Physiotherapy Foundation of Canada, on the advice of its Scientific Awards Committee (SAC), awards the Cardiorespiratory Division Scholarship. PFC Board of Directors reserves the right to approve or decline any application.
2. The Cardiorespiratory Division Scholarship is usually awarded for a period of 12 months. Subject to application and successful review, such scholarships may be awarded for a second 12 month period for the period of July 1<sup>st</sup> – June 30<sup>th</sup>. At the end of the Scholarship term, candidates must submit a complete report to the PFC including plans for the public dissemination of the research results. This

report should reach the PFC by August 31<sup>st</sup> of the year following the issuance of the initial scholarship.

3. The Cardiorespiratory Division Scholarship is tenable at Canadian universities.
4. Successful candidates pursuing a Master's or PhD in physiotherapy should preferably devote themselves for a period of 12 consecutive months (3 semesters) to the subject of the Award. Assistance may be provided to candidates enrolled on a half-time basis. Successful candidates must be involved in a physiotherapy research project that forms part of the academic requirements for the completion of their degree programme. The research project must be congruent with the mission of the PFC. At least 50% of the applicant's time must be spent on activities related to the award. Candidates may have other sources of scholarship support as long as the total value of the support, with this Scholarship, does not exceed \$25,000.
5. If the Cardiorespiratory Division Scholarship is not held for the stated period, the PFC should be notified; a prorated reduction in the scholarship will be made.
6. Awards are open to Canadian citizens, landed immigrants, or people who reside in Canada (for the duration of the grant) with a valid work or student visa.
7. Members of PFC committees may apply for the Cardiorespiratory Division Scholarship, but cannot be involved in either the decision-making or in determining the disposition of the applications.
8. Should the work of the candidate result in the publication of papers or a thesis, the assistance furnished by the PFC and the Cardiorespiratory Division must be acknowledged. For example, a statement such as the following should be included: "This research was supported in part by the Physiotherapy Foundation of Canada through the Cardiorespiratory Division Scholarship." A copy of the paper should be sent to the PFC office.
9. Successful candidates will receive 50% of the award at the beginning of the granting period, and the remaining 50% six months into the research project.

### **Procedures**

10. Applications are accepted only ONLINE and must be received by the Physiotherapy Foundation of Canada by January 29, 2017. Notification on the outcome of applications will be provided in writing by May 2017.
11. Applicants must submit an electronic copy of the completed application and all attachments as a single PDF file. Submissions in other formats will not be considered.

#### **Email Confirmation:**

After submitting your application please be sure you receive a confirmation email from the Grants Program Manager. If you haven't received one, please contact [rkelly@physiotherapy.ca](mailto:rkelly@physiotherapy.ca) for receipt email confirmation.

12. Applicants are invited to submit their application for funding in either official language.
13. The applicant should arrange for the PFC to receive **in hard copy** the following materials by **January 29, 2017**:
  - a letter of appraisal from the supervisor, or advisor, of the applicant that also outlines the proposed research programme;
  - two additional letters of appraisal;
  - a letter from the Head of the Department at the university confirming acceptance into one of the programmes described in the Regulations for the Cardiorespiratory Division Scholarship. If the applicant is not enrolled at the time of the application, any scholarship will be conditional upon the receipt of written confirmation of enrolment in the programme in question. No funds will be released by PFC until proof of enrolment is received;

### **Obligations of the Recipients**

14. The investigator must submit a final report on the work accomplished during the period of the research grant no later than 2 months after the end of the grant period (normally August 31). Please note that investigators who do not comply with this requirement will thereafter be ineligible for further funding from the Physiotherapy Foundation of Canada and the awards it administers;
15. Contribute a summary of the work to the Gas Exchange (CRD newsletter) upon completion of the research study;
16. It is expected that the research will culminate in peer-reviewed publications or presentations at national or international conferences or an application for further funding to a national or federal agency. A reprint of any such publication should be furnished to the Physiotherapy Foundation of Canada. Publications arising from research supported by the *Cardiorespiratory Division*, CPA and administered by the Physiotherapy Foundation of Canada must be acknowledged with the relevant sentence below:

*“This research was supported by the, Cardiorespiratory Division - CPA and administered by the Physiotherapy Foundation of Canada.”*