

What can the **Research Support Group** do for you?

Research Support

Using internally held resources, the Research Support Group (RSG) can assist faculty, learners, residents, and staff as they embark on research endeavours. Research can be a time consuming, complicated, and yet completely rewarding undertaking. The RSG understands this and can help navigate the process. We are committed to ensuring that all researchers have access to the guidance they need to be successful.

Research Ethics Board

We can assist researchers with the process, help them select the appropriate REB to apply to, troubleshoot major issues, and inform researchers about Lakehead University, Laurentian University, and hospital boards and forms. We can also assist faculty with the newest Tri Council Policy Statement on research (TCPS) and implications for REBs, informed consent, research with Aboriginal people, conflict of interest assistance, and help incorporate realistic timelines for REB application and response.

Human Resources

Most research programs require the hiring of additional personnel. The RSG can assist with this process by informing and providing researchers with the various internal and Lakehead University and Laurentian University forms, as well as assisting with room bookings, interview questions, and policies and procedure for hiring at NOSM and at our host institutions.

Grant Procurement

We can assist in the general grant writing process, helping write realistic budgets, assist with literature searches, inform timelines, and identify appropriate granting agencies to which to apply. We can guide researchers through the internal process for applying for grants, and we can also link faculty to Lakehead University and Laurentian University resources who can assist with finding grants and the process for applying at either host university. The team can also help with identifying opportunities for funding.

End of Grant Reports

Most grants require mid - and year-end reports. We can assist faculty by proofing written reports for compliance, ensuring that the budget is accurate, and providing other important information that may need to come from the institution.

Linking Researchers and Learners to Projects and other Researchers

As NOSM continues to grow, the RSG is committed to assisting faculty and learners who are interested in collaborating. The RSG will keep accurate information on current projects, researchers, and their interests in order to match potential collaborations.



Research Assistance

In support of research at NOSM, the Health Sciences Library offers the following services:

Literature Search Services: Upon receiving a request for a literature search, a Health Sciences Librarian will search related online databases and provide a list of citations based on a given topic.

Systematic Reviews or Meta-Analyses: In addition to performing the literature search necessary for this type of research, systematic review or meta-analysis collaboration with a Librarian may also include:

- Help defining the research question.
- Recommending keyword/controlled vocabulary for inclusion in research protocol.
- Ability to target specific databases/other resources to be searched.
- Exporting references to bibliographic citation management software.
- Performing search updates.
- Writing the literature search methodology section for the submitted manuscript, maintain records of search results, and follow up with alerts and updates as needed.

Research Consultations: During a consultation, you can discuss your research with a knowledgeable Librarian and get advice on search strategies, assistance with terminology and guidance to appropriate databases.

Access to Library Resources: Assistance with accessing online collections, citation management, requesting materials via inter-library loan and providing information retrieval training on-line or in person.

To request any of our research assistance services send an email to askthelibrary@nosm.ca. You can also visit our website at: www.nosm.ca/library.

