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## 2026 NOAMA Clinical Innovation Opportunities Fund

### CALL FOR PROJECT PROPOSALS

#### DUE DATE FOR SUBMISSIONS:

Friday, January 30, 2026 @ 11:00 PM EST

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The NOAMA Board is pleased to announce a call for proposals for the Clinical Innovation Opportunities Fund. This grant funding opportunity is separate and distinct from the existing AHSC AFP Innovation Funds.

#### Background Information:

The intent of the Clinical Innovation Opportunities Fund is to support **physician clinical faculty** in the development and implementation of new evidence-based enhancements within their clinical practices which positively impact direct patient care.

Northern physicians are committed to patient care. This Clinical Innovation Opportunities Funding provides you with the opportunity to further explore and implement changes which can ultimately be shared.

#### Grant Information:

From 2013 to 2025, several of your Northern Ontario colleagues applied for Clinical Innovation Opportunities Funding. To date NOAMA has approved 285 projects allocating ~\$13.8 million in funding. For a complete list of funded projects, please click [here](#).

Detailed information on how to apply for Clinical Innovation Opportunities Funding, including local guidelines, templates, and other relevant resources, is available on the NOAMA website at [www.noama.ca/ciof](http://www.noama.ca/ciof).

#### Important Information

**\*Changes to the Local Guidelines\*** 3 major changes, summarized below, have been approved by the NOAMA Board. For full details please see the [Local Guidelines and Application Process - CIOF](#)

- A +0.2-score adjustment will be applied to proposals from PI's who have not received a NOAMA CIOF grant in the past five years.
- PI's who received CIOF funding in the previous year are ineligible to apply as PIs in the current cycle, though they may participate in other roles.
- 40% of CIOF funding will be reserved for first-time applicants who haven't received a NOAMA grant in the past five years.
- **\*NEW form\*** The Transfer Payment Agency managing your project funds will be required to sign off on our new agreement letter. The new form is available on the website.
- Funding for \$30k/year for one year or \$30k/year for two years (i.e., total \$60k over two years) may be awarded

- One Mid-Scale grant at \$60k/annum (\$120k over two years) may be awarded
- Grants must be compliant with CIOF Grant Application Checklist
- E-mail complete applications to [grants@noama.ca](mailto:grants@noama.ca)
- Submissions will be reviewed by the peer review process

Submission MUST include the following:

1. P1 – completed in Word
2. P2 – completed in Excel
3. ROMEO approval through NOSM U Research – **Prior to submission** - Click website link [here](#) and/or contact [research@nosm.ca](mailto:research@nosm.ca) for any inquiries – PDF
4. **NOTE: this process can take up to 2 weeks** NOAMA CIO Checklist – PDF/Excel
5. Letters of support, where needed - PDF

***NOAMA will not accept applications that are missing any of the requirements above, late applications, or incomplete applications.***

Grant applications must be submitted to [grants@noama.ca](mailto:grants@noama.ca) by Friday, January 30, 2026 @ 11:00 PM EST and will be acknowledged within 15-20 business days after the application deadline date to allow NOAMA staff time to complete the intake and record submissions received.