



## CONSTANTINE DOUKETIS NEW RESEARCHER AWARD GUIDELINES

### DESCRIPTION

The Constantine Douketis New Researcher Award provides researchers at the beginning of their career (within 10 years of graduation) with seed funding. These funds are important in allowing young researchers the support to pursue independent research questions.

### PROCESS

Please go to the Research Institute of St. Joe's Hamilton [website](#) to access the application. The Constantine Douketis New Researcher Award competition consists of a single application process for eligible independent researchers. The deadline to apply is by 11:59 pm on April 30<sup>th</sup>. All applicants will be notified of the application results in July.

### FUNDING

The value of the award is \$10,000 and funding would generally start in September. There will be no option to renew the Constantine Douketis New Researcher Award, previously successful researchers are able to apply to future competitions. The number of awards on offer for any given year's competition is dependent upon funding availability and will be communicated on The Research Institute [website](#).

### PROJECT PROPOSAL

The research project must conform to the following requirements:

1. The timeline for the project's completion must be clearly stipulated, and must start in the fiscal year of the award competition.
2. Must include a budget of how the funds will be allocated.

### APPLICANT ELIGIBILITY

1. Applicants have not held a significant peer reviewed grant previously as an independent researcher.
2. Applicants must be affiliated with The Research Institute of St. Joe's Hamilton in an appropriate category (refer to the research institute **002-RSJ-H Research Affiliation with Research St. Joseph's – Hamilton policy**); in good standing.
3. Available to new independent researchers (as defined below) who are principally located at one of the St. Joseph's Healthcare campuses.

4. Must be an Independent Researcher (derived from CIHR definitions <http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/34190.html>)

## **PREPARATION OF APPLICATION**

Please go to the Research Institute of St. Joe's Hamilton [website](#) to access the application. **Applicants must submit their application no later than 11:59pm EST on April 30.**

**Late or incomplete submissions will not be accepted under any circumstance.**

## **REVIEW PROCESS**

Applications will be reviewed by the Committee struck by the Scientific Director (hereinafter referred to as the "Committee"). A peer review process of the application will be conducted by the Committee.

The review criteria for the application includes:

- Applicants' Curriculum Vitae
- Publication activity
- Other research activity i.e. abstracts, patents
- Originality
- Background preparation
- Research Project – Design, Feasibility, Impact
- Research resources
- Impact to patient or healthcare
- Knowledge Translation Plan

## **NOTIFICATION of AWARDS**

The following conditions will be observed when notifying candidates on the status of their application:

- The recommendations of the Committee will be forwarded to the Scientific Director who is the final authority for approval
- The deliberations of the Committee are confidential.
- All awardee(s) will be required to sign a terms and conditions agreement prior to receipt of funding.
- All applicants will be notified of the results of their application in July

## **REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**

The award recipient must complete and submit an annual progress report on the anniversary of their award funding. This report will be reviewed by the Scientific Director and the recipient will be notified accordingly. A final completion report will be due to The Research Institute of St. Joe's Hamilton upon completion of the award term.