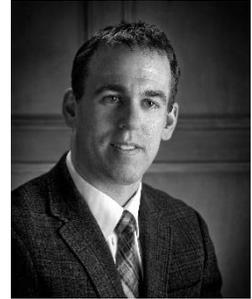


# President's Letter

August 3, 2015



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President

## **Call for Proposals:**

### **Clinical Stabilization Fund – Primary Health Care Renewal**

Dear Colleagues:

The Clinical Stabilization Fund (CSF) is a jointly-controlled fund that was negotiated as part of the 2009 Memorandum of Agreement to address areas of medical care delivery that warrant additional resources. This one-time funding is segmented across priority areas, including primary health care renewal.

The CSF Management Committee is issuing a call for proposals from members interested in undertaking projects or initiatives that will inform and advance primary health care renewal in the province and establish new patterns of practice. It is expected that the CSF projects will align with the goals and principles of the provincial primary health care renewal.

Presently, the CSF Management Committee is seeking proposals that focus on the effective management and care of ambulatory care sensitive conditions (ACSC) within the context of primary health care processes and/or delivery mechanisms in addition to other frequently occurring chronic conditions including mental health and addictions. The ACSCs of interest include, but are not limited to:

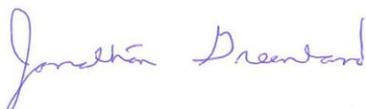
- COPD
- Diabetes
- Heart Failure
- Hypertension
- Angina
- Asthma
- Epilepsy

Preference will be given to projects that have the potential to be replicated in more than one region of the province and have taken into consideration how the project can be sustained long-term, as projects are only eligible for one-time CSF funding. The funding allocated to this call for proposals is approximately \$250,000. Examples of projects currently being funded through CSF include:

- **Family Practice Pharmacist.** The project involves conducting an evaluation to determine the extent to which the inclusion of a pharmacist in a family practice setting enhances patient care and clinic workload. This project is being lead by Dr. Aaron McKim.
- **Diabetes Models of Care.** This project is evaluating the effectiveness of group appointment models of care for patients with well-controlled diabetes and the use of a proactive model of care for those with poorly controlled diabetes. This project is taking place in Sheshatshiu and is being lead by Dr. Yordan Karaivanov.
- **Advance Clinical Access.** This initiative involves developing an educational and support program for family physicians interested in exploring advanced/open access scheduling and is being lead by the NLMA.

The CSF Management Committee has established [guidelines and criteria](#) to help members prepare submissions. The deadline for proposal submissions is **Friday, October 16<sup>th</sup> 2015**. To learn more about the CSF Fund and the call for proposals please contact Ms. Jean Cook, CSF Project Manager [jcook@nlma.nl.ca](mailto:jcook@nlma.nl.ca) or 709-722-3344.

Regards,



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