

RESEARCH CHALLENGE 2024

INFO SESSION

BC Cancer | Nursing and Allied Health Research and Knowledge Translation Department



Land Acknowledgement

I acknowledging, with respect, that I am speaking to you today from the unceded, ancestral, and traditional territories of the Syilx/Okanagan People. I acknowledge that the work we are doing together today extends beyond the lands of these Nations, and I invite you to take this opportunity to think about the Nations whose lands you are joining this webinar from today.

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AGENDA

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WHAT IS THE RESEARCH CHALLENGE?

Practice-Based Research (PBR) Challenge

- Designed to provide a team-based experience and support point-of-care staff who have little or no research experience in developing their own research project

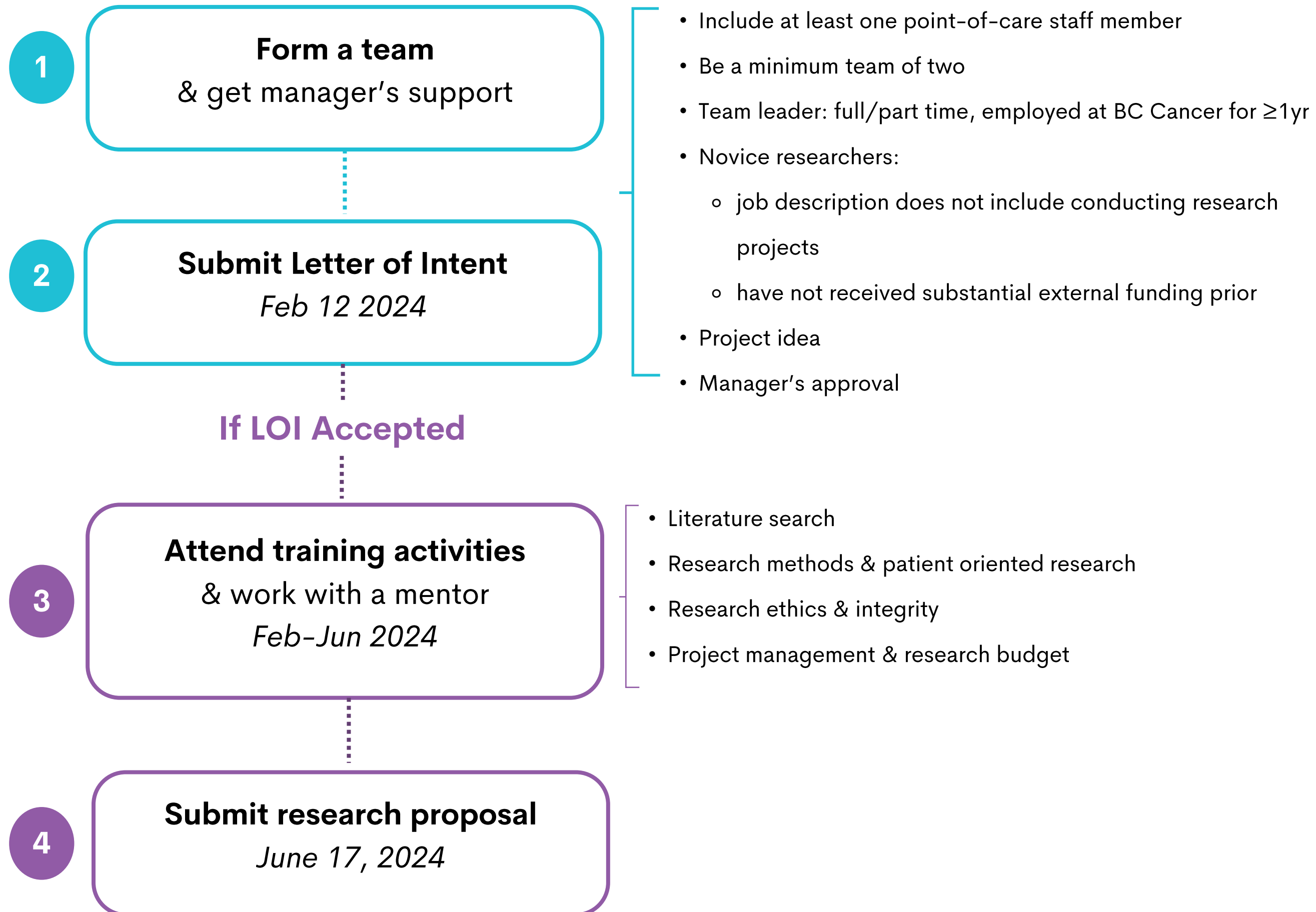
Objectives

- To bridge clinical practice and research
- To empower clinical staff to solve clinical issues through evidence-based research

HOW CAN I APPLY & WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

- **A minimum of two team members is required** (3 members recommended)
 - At least one member has to be a point-of-care staff
- **Must appoint a team lead**
 - All team leaders must be 0.5 FTE or greater for at least 1 year (full-time, part-time)
- **Submit an LOI form by February 12th, 2024**
 - Describe your project idea or research question in 250 words
 - Including a patient/family partner is mandatory

APPLICATION PROCESS



Letter of Intent (Initial Application)

Example

Date: February 19, 2019

Site: Centre For The North

Unit: Systemic Therapy

Your project idea or research question (Please limit to 250 words. Use extra page if necessary.)

Cancer patients, who have completed treatment with curative intent, often choose to ring the ceremonious "Bravery bell" located in the Centre for the North Chemotherapy unit. The ringing of the bell occurs at cancer centres internationally and usually involves an abundance of emotions for the patient, family and friends: which nursing staff believe to be a positive experience. In contrast to this celebration, there have been patient stories in the media describing that, due to their particular cancer or stage, they have not been able to ring the bell. This compelled the nursing staff at our centre to consider if these celebrations of cancer treatment completion negatively impact other patients who are non-curative? Currently non-curative patients are subjected to witness others ringing the Bravery bell solely because they are receiving treatment in the clinic that day; as opposed to actively choosing to participate.

What is the impact/experience of witnessing the ringing of the Bravery Bell on cancer patients who feel they will never ring it themselves?

Knowing the impact of witnessing the bell ringing on non-curative patients may be beneficial in determining a more inclusive treatment experience. The information gathered in this study may be used to improve, create and change current information, education and location related to the Bravery Bell. The findings may also inform further review and research on if there is a need for patients considered non-curative to have the milestones and accomplishments of their cancer journey acknowledged.

Practice-Based Inspiration

Research Idea

Why is it relevant?

WHAT SUPPORTS ARE PROVIDED?

After a successful Research Challenge Project LOI submission:

- 3 webinars (literature review, research methods & patient-oriented research, and research budget)
- 2 one-on-one consultations on research methods and research ethics applied to their projects
- Access to the Research Challenge Learning Hub course and resources
- If your final proposal is selected, funding of \$5,000 and mentorship provided over an 18-month period

RESEARCH CHALLENGE TEAM



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TIMELINE

01.
LOI

- Letter of Intent due: February 12, 2024

02.
Training

- Submit full proposal: June 17, 2024

03.
Funded
Project
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- Selection of funded teams: July, 2024

04.
Ethics
Application

- Submit progress report #1: November, 2024

05.
Conduct
Research

- Submit progress report #2: April, 2025

06.
Final Report

- Submit Final Report: December, 2025

QUESTIONS?

If you still have further questions please
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us at **research.kt@bccancer.bc.ca**

