



Information about the CIHR Institute Advisory Boards (IABs)

Each of the CIHR's 13 IABs advises on Institute-specific issues and cross-Institute initiatives. Each is composed of a diverse group of national and international representatives of the public, private and non-profit sectors, including the research community and health practitioners. IABs act in an advisory capacity to the Scientific Directors of the Institutes across the full range of Institute activities. These activities include deliberating on and evaluating Institute health research priorities and strategies and implementing plans for engaging the broader research community. The number of members on an IAB is between 8 and 14. Participation as an IAB member normally requires travel to 2 meetings each year that take place at various locations across Canada.

Full [list of CIHR Institutes](#).

Current IAB [membership listing](#).

IAB [terms of reference](#).

The University of Alberta is not represented on all IABs

The University of Alberta has representatives on only 5 of the 13 IABs:

- Aging
- Cancer Research
- Circulatory & Respiratory Health
- Infection & Immunity
- Nutrition, Metabolism & Diabetes

The University of Alberta does **not** have representatives on the IABs for the Institutes of:

- Aboriginal Peoples' Health
- Gender & Health
- Genetics
- Health Services & Policy Research
- Human Development, Child & Youth Health
- Musculoskeletal Health & Arthritis
- Neurosciences, Mental Health & Addiction
- Population & Public Health

Selection criteria for IAB members

IABs are made up of individuals from Canada and abroad, reflecting the greatest possible diversity and the highest standards of excellence across the 4 dimensions of:

- **Research expertise** – Across the disciplinary scope of strategic directions and research priorities in the CIHR's strategic plan, ethics, knowledge translation and Indigenous health issues. Across the full range of biomedical research, clinical research and research on health systems, health services, the health of populations, societal and cultural dimensions of health and environmental influences on health.
- **Community sectors** – Voluntary health organizations, Indigenous, federal/provincial/territorial/ municipal governments, business and industry, health care



practitioners and professionals, patient and public groups, caregivers, families and communities, policy makers.

- **Additional experience and expertise** – Creativity and breadth in health research. Knowledge of the health care sector, health care usage and of health research issues. Experience with the development of health and health-related policy. Experience with strategic health planning, health law, training and education, communications. International and global health experience.
- **Demographics** – Provincial, regional and international representation. Sex, linguistic preference, career stage and institutional research base.

Applying to be an IAB member

CIHR has launched its 2018 IAB membership renewal.

The deadline to submit nominations is April 9, 2018.

Applications received after the deadline will be stored in the database and considered for the next renewal cycle.

How to apply

To apply you will need:

- a ResearchNet account
- a CIHR PIN
- a Common CV account, with the short template for the **CIHR IAB CV** completed

Instructions on [how to complete an online application](#).

Tip: When you enter keywords to describe personal strengths, competencies and skills, use relevant keywords from the Institute description.

Tip: Use the comment box to include information on how you would be able to contribute as a member of the IAB.