

# Emerging Circumpolar Health Researcher/Worker Fellowship

## Call for Applications - Canada

Every three years, the **Canadian Society for Circumpolar Health** (CSCH) – one of the five adhering bodies of the International Union for Circumpolar Health (IUCH) – nominates one to three Canadians to receive one out of five “**emerging circumpolar health researcher/worker fellowships**”. The purpose of this fellowship is to encourage circumpolar health researchers/workers to continue their efforts to improve circumpolar health.

Similar nominations are also provided by the other four adhering bodies of IUCH (American Society for Circumpolar Health; the Danish/Greenlandic Society for Circumpolar Health; the Nordic Society for Arctic Medicine; and, the Siberian Branch of the Russia Academy of Medical Sciences).

The fellowship is supported by the *Jens Peder Hart Hansen Memorial Fund* (JPHHMF). The mission of the JPHHMF is to foster the ideals of Jens Peder Hart Hansen: “To increase international co-operation in circumpolar health research and education by mentoring and encouragement of emerging researchers and workers in the field of circumpolar health”.

The CSCH is a registered charity in Canada with a vision of a circumpolar world where individuals, communities, and people are empowered by knowledge to achieve better health. Through partnership and networking - CSCH promotes research, exchanges knowledge, and fosters a greater awareness and response to the health issues of circumpolar people.

The IUCH objectives are: to promote international cooperation in circumpolar health; to encourage and support research and exchange of scientific information in the circumpolar health sciences; to promote education and public awareness of circumpolar health; to provide a means of communication with other scientific organizations; and, to promote and encourage the participation of indigenous peoples in circumpolar health affairs.

### Terms and Conditions

Every three years, one fellowship (successful CSCH nomination) is provided to an outstanding circumpolar health researcher/worker who has demonstrated excellence in improving circumpolar health.

The fellowship consists of a certificate, and a grant of a minimum of \$500 USD. The fellow will be selected on the recommendation of a subcommittee of the International Union for Circumpolar Health.

The recipient of the fellowship is expected to present an abstract of their research/work at a national or international conference or symposium.

The fellowship is open to both members and non-members of the Canadian Society for Circumpolar Health.

### Application Procedures

*Applications must address the following criteria:*

1. The applicant will be a Canadian emerging health researcher or worker with a minimum of 5 years of study or work experience.
2. The applicant will have completed a program of studies in a health related field. This could include on-the-job training, study through mentoring initiatives, as well as study in accredited educational institutions.
3. Applicants must demonstrate their background with and/or interest in circumpolar health issues through the provision of a curriculum vitae/resume and a 2-page paper describes:  
(A) their previous and/or current studies or work on circumpolar health issues;  
(B) their interest in circumpolar health issues; and  
(C) the candidate's views on why s/he should be given the award.

**Deadline: Applications must be received by May 1, 2005.**

Please submit applications in writing by mail to:

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