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## Spark Program

**The Centre for Aging + Brain Health Innovation (CABHI):** CABHI is an innovation accelerator for the aging and brain health sector. Our driving purpose is to facilitate the improvement of healthcare outcomes for older adults by fostering ground-breaking collaborations among leading global innovators and seniors' care organizations in North America and around the world.

**Program Objective:** The Spark program supports the development and testing of innovative products and practices informed by the experience of point-of-care staff working with older adults. Host Organizations of successful applicants will receive up-to \$50,000 (CAD) to support these projects advance from an early stage solution with promising scalability to proof-of-concept or prototype.

**Innovation Themes:** CABHI will direct funding at proposed solutions that address one or more of the following seniors' care priorities:

- **Aging in place:** solutions that enable older adults with dementia to maximize their choice, independence and quality of life to enable aging in the most appropriate setting
- **Caregiver support:** solutions that support caregivers (formal and informal) in providing care to older adults with dementia
- **Care coordination and navigation:** solutions that help older adults, caregivers and healthcare providers coordinate care and transitions for older adults with dementia
- **Cognitive health:** solutions that improve brain/cognitive health for aging adults and/or support the identification and assessment of adults at risk for dementia/cognitive impairment
- **Aging Indigenous & Rural Populations:** Solutions that address aging and brain health challenges particularly focusing on Indigenous populations and individuals in rural and remote areas

**Investment Model and Award Value:** The Spark Program will provide funding for selected projects of **up to a maximum of \$50,000 (CAD)** for a 6 to 12-month period. Funding will flow to the applicant's host organization, who will then assign accountability for milestone reporting and expenditures against the budget recipient. Successful applicants will be responsible for reporting the project outcomes and key performance indicators to CABHI.

**Eligibility:** The Spark Program is open to point-of-care and service staff associated with healthcare delivery or service provider organizations in Canada, and/or a member of the Seniors' Quality Leap Initiative (SQLI). The host organization employing the lead applicant must be a healthcare organization in Canada, or a member of SQLI.

**Timeline:** CABHI will launch its Call for Innovations for Spark on May 13, 2019. The deadline to apply is 5:00 pm EDT on Friday, July 5, 2019.

**More information:** Visit [www.cabhi.com](http://www.cabhi.com) or email [info@cabhi.com](mailto:info@cabhi.com)



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