Dear Allied Health Members of the Canadian Society of Transplantation;

On behalf of your Research Committee we are excited to officially announce the annual "**Call for Grant Applications**".

For those of you who may not be aware, this funding opportunity is held every year and is open to all Allied Health Group members. The mandate of the Allied Health Research Committee is to support and promote research excellence among the Allied Health membership across Canada. In keeping with this mandate and as a priority we strive to do this through leadership, funding opportunities and collaboration across disciplines and centers.

The objectives of the research fund are:

1. To provide start-up funds in order to leverage peer reviewed and/or external grant opportunities

2. To provide a source of funding for transplant related research projects that improve and/or enhance patient care, patient/family satisfaction, and/or outcomes

3. To provide leadership and mentorship for novice researchers by providing funding and fostering the relationship between the novice researcher and an experienced researcher.

In addition to our usual grant, we are excited to invite new researchers to apply for our new research fund: "Allied Health Research Fund - Novice Researcher". The goal of this Fund is to engage Allied Health members in fostering new and unique practice-based research while enhancing comfort and expertise with the research process. It will involve a facilitated relationship/mentorship with an experienced researcher in a similar area of practice. If the applicant has not identified a mentor, the CST Allied Health Research Committee will seek a mentor to participate in the project. *Please note systematic reviews/narrative reviews are not accepted for funding requests.*

We would like to encourage all members to start thinking about exciting research proposals.

Information about the grant and forms can be found on the CST website: <u>www.cst-transplant.ca</u>.

Please submit two copies of the proposal one full and one anonymized to jmadill7@uwo.ca

Deadline for submission: May 25th 2018

<u>Interested in some mentorship or collaboration</u>? Whether you are new to research or not, we offer opportunities for mentorship and collaboration through our mentorship program. Please contact Andrea Norgate, Chair AH committee at <u>Andrea.Norgate@uhn.ca</u> for more information.

Thank you

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Looking forward to hearing from you. On behalf of the Research Committee, Allied Health Group.