# Partners in Research

# Healthcare Researcher Application Form

Thank you for your interest in participating in the online course – *Partners in Research* *(PiR).* This course includes didactic lectures from both healthcare researchers and patients, individual and group activities, discussions, and resources. At the end of this course, you will be able to:

* Explain important aspects of why and how to conduct patient-oriented research
* Distinguish between patients as research collaborators and patients as research subjects
* Identify ways to include patient perspectives in the research process
* Develop a shared understanding of how patient-oriented research can lead to better health research

Patient-oriented research engages patients as partners in the research process. In patient-oriented research, patients and healthcare professionals work together to determine priorities that are important to patients and to ultimately improve patient care.

Many individuals involved in healthcare research and practice believe it is important to engage patients in research; however, patients and researchers are unsure how best to engage patients. Patients and healthcare researchers need training on how to do patient-oriented research. The goals of the *PiR* course are to build capacity to conduct and participate in patient-oriented research, and to increase the use of effective patient-oriented research methods in health research. The course is designed for those who want to participate in research, involve patients in the planning and execution of research studies, and focus on research questions that are important to patients.

## Part I: Personal Information

1. **Name** (first and last name i.e., Jane Smith)**:**
2. **Contact** (email):
3. **Age:**

☐ 18 – 25

☐ 26 – 35

☐ 36 – 45

☐ 46 – 55

☐ 56 – 65

☐ 66 – 75

☐76 – 85

☐+86

1. **What gender do you identify with?**

☐ Male [ ]  Female [ ]  Other ☐ Prefer not to answer

1. **What ethnic or cultural group(s) do you identify with? Please select all that apply**

☐Aboriginal/Indigenous (including First Nations, Inuit, and Metis)

☐Arab

☐Black Caribbean/African/African Canadian

☐Chinese

☐Filipino

☐Japanese

☐Korean

☐Latin American

☐South Asian (e.g., East Indian, Pakistani, Sri Lankan, etc.)

☐Southeast Asian (e.g., Vietnamese, Cambodian, Malaysian, Laotian, etc.)

☐West Asian (e.g., Iranian, Afghan, etc.)

☐White/Caucasian

☐Other (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. **Role** (i.e., research coordinator, policy analyst, etc.)**:**
2. **Organization:**

## Part II: Information about your involvement with patient-oriented research

1. **Have you worked on any patient-oriented research projects before?**

[ ]  Yes

[ ]  No

**If yes, please describe your project(s) below:**

Project title:

Project description (100 words maximum):

Project stage (i.e., applying for funding or funded):

1. **Are you currently working on any patient-oriented research projects?**

[ ]  Yes

[ ]  No

**If yes, please describe your project(s) below:**

Project title:

Project description (100 words maximum):

Project stage (i.e., applying for funding or funded):

## Part IV: Learning Objectives:

1. **What do you hope to learn from the *PiR* course** (100 words maximum)**:**
2. **Please describe your perceived value of participating in patient-oriented research** (100 words maximum)**:**

## Part V: Preferred course schedule:

Please note that this 2 month course will be offered in October – November 2017. There will be 4 live online sessions that are 1.5 hours each. These sessions will take place bi-weekly.

**Thank you for taking the time to complete this application. Please send your completed application form to Melissa Courvoisier (****CourvoisierM@smh.ca****).**

We will notify you by email about your application status by September 2017.