

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RELATING TO PEDIATRIC SUBMISSIONS

**ACCELERATED SCIENTIFIC REVIEW** is possible for clinical research projects that have been peer-reviewed for scientific merit elsewhere, if the principal investigator can provide evidence of a rigorous peer-review process involving critiques and responses. Accelerated review may also be possible for projects that have undergone internal grant review at MCH (see “Submissions to External Funding Agencies” below.) Documentation of an internal grant review, including report by the review committee chair and a letter of scientific approval, must be obtained from Marlene Aardse and submitted with the eReviews application.

The investigator should indicate in a rebuttal letter how the protocol was modified in response to the scientific review. The revised protocol is the one that should be submitted. Please note that student research projects reviewed by a university department do not qualify for accelerated scientific review. To determine if your project qualifies and ensure submission of adequate documentation through eReviews, please contact [Sofia Bamboulas](#), pediatric science review coordinator (accelerated review).

**INTERNALLY FUNDED CLINICAL RESEARCH PROJECTS AND CORPORATE SPONSORED CLINICAL CONTRACTS** undergo scientific review prior to Research Ethics Board review. Please submit through eReviews. For questions not answered by the RI MUHC website, please contact the [RI MUHC Helpline](#).

**MCH CLINICAL PROJECTS FUNDING COMPETITIONS** – In the case of MCH investigators applying for internal funding submissions for small pilot projects, final scientific approval for the project must be obtained prior to the fall or spring competition deadlines, and a screening process applies. Please contact the competition coordinator, [Sofia Bamboulas](#).

**SUBMISSIONS TO EXTERNAL FUNDING AGENCIES** – Scientific review is required for clinical research projects which will be submitted to external peer-review funding agencies such as CIHR or FRSQ for support of \$20,000 or more. The principal investigator submits a draft proposal and has a two-hour, sit-down review with three internal reviewers. Research Ethics Board review for these projects typically occur after the notice of funding by the external agency. Please contact the internal grant review coordinator, [Marlene Aardse](#), as early as possible to indicate your intent to submit.

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