

The 1,000 Letters Project

The goal of this project is to send 1,000 letters to the <u>Minister of Health</u>, the <u>Prime Minister</u>, the <u>Minister of Finance</u>, <u>and</u> your <u>local M.P</u>. concerning the need for further investments in CIHR to provide internationally competitive levels of funding to our researchers and to allow CIHR to fulfill its mandate to improve the health and prosperity of Canadians.

Via Post:

The Honourable Leona Aglukkaq, P.C., M.P. Health Canada Brooke Claxton Building, Tunney's Pasture Postal Locator: 0906C Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0K9

Via e.mail: http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca/contact/ahc-asc/minist-eng.php

The letter should be positive and include the following elements:

- -Re: CIHR
- -thank the government for its many investments in health research
- -tell a personal story on the positive impact of CIHR and how the research we conduct improves the health and prosperity of Canadians
- -raise a concern about the research enterprise, operating grants, international competitiveness, etc -suggest further government investments in CIHR (e.g., The 7% Solution: a government commitment to an additional investment of 7% per year in CIHR would double its budget to \$2 billion in 10 years.)

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