

## What are H10's Asks?

1. **Acknowledgement of Contribution of Research Hospitals:** We ask that Canada's Research Hospitals be considered eligible applicants alongside university partners for all new research and infrastructure funding opportunities in recognition of their contribution to short term economic stimulus and the longer term knowledge economy.
  - Canada's research hospitals make significant contributions to the economy by securing jobs for over 600,000 Canadians, achieving competitive advantages in the health and life sciences, and building a future knowledge based economy while meeting the health service needs of millions of Canadians.
  - These organizations fast track access to better healthcare because of the role they play in specialized care, research, innovation, and commercialization.

**Fact sheet:** What is a Research Hospital?

2. **Secure Restorative Funding for CIHR:** We ask that the Government support immediate restorative funding for CIHR (\$150 million added to A-base budget) plus one-time only transition funding of \$50 million to secure support for researchers.
  - The Canadian Institutes of Health Research, established under a Liberal Government in 2000, has brought some of the world's best researchers to our country. However, CIHR's budget has been flat lined since 2010.
  - In addition, fundamental reforms were initiated that have destabilized the system and created a crisis of confidence in the scientific community, both among senior researchers and among early career investigators.

**Fact sheet:** Why do Canada's health researchers need immediate support?

3. **Eligibility for Infrastructure Support:** We ask that hospitals be allowed to compete for funding under the proposed Infrastructure Fund (specifically physical infrastructure and energy retrofits).
  - Canada's hospitals are part of the national infrastructure. They are part of our emergency preparedness and security plans. In order to ensure that these facilities are able to meet the needs of Canadians, we must ensure that they are resilient to climate, disaster, and infection issues and that they built for the needs of the future.
  - Historically, Canada's hospitals have been excluded from the Building Canada Fund. These organizations are worth \$160 billion, but currently face accumulated deferred maintenance of ~\$28 billion.

**Fact sheet:** Why do we need federal investment in hospital infrastructure?