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**HealthCareCAN statement on federal investment for
research infrastructure through the Canada Foundation for Innovation**

March 8, 2021 — At today’s virtual meeting of the HealthCareCAN Board of Directors, the association applauded the [March 3, 2021 investment](#) of over \$518 million for research infrastructure funding through the Canada Foundation for Innovation (CFI).

In acknowledging this important investment from the federal government, HealthCareCAN Board members led by Chair Rob Maclsaac also recognized the support of Minister of Innovation, Science and Industry, François-Philippe Champagne.

In making the announcement with Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Minister Champagne’s said: “Great science and research is the first step in driving innovation. Now more than ever, Canadians are looking to their researchers to develop innovative solutions to real-world problems. Our government is proud to support today’s funding recipients, who are harnessing their expertise and dedication to make the important discoveries that will serve Canadians now and in the future.”

HealthCareCAN, and its member organizations comprising leading healthcare and health research institutions from across Canada, couldn’t agree more. The association looks forward to collaborating further with the Minister and the federal government to ensure Canada’s world-leading researchers have the support they need today to make the health research discoveries that will ensure a better tomorrow. Of particular interest to HealthCareCAN and its members is the federal government’s current [consultation on creation of new biomanufacturing capacity for Canada](#), which the COVID pandemic highlighted as critical if Canada is to be ready to respond to future health emergencies.

HealthCareCAN is proud that the efforts of several of its member-institutions were recognized by CFI to receive support as part of the funding announcement:

- McGill University Health Centre;
- Sinai Health System;
- St. Joseph’s Health Care London;
- Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre;
- The Hospital for Sick Children;
- Le Centre de recherche du CHU (CRCHU) de Québec;
- University Health Network;
- Women’s College Hospital;
- Baycrest Health Sciences;
- Centre for Addiction and Mental Health;
- Unity Health Toronto.

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