

## Partnership 2024-2028

### CMDO Network/ Diabetes Action Canada / Obesity Canada

*The purpose of this document is to outline the funding and educational opportunities that have been partnered for members of the CMDO Network, Action Diabetes Canada and Obesity Canada.*

The CMDO network is partnering with:

- **Diabetes Action Canada (DAC)** (<https://diabetesaction.ca/?lang=fr>), the CIHR SPOR network on diabetes and its complications. Dr. Jean-Pierre Després (CRIUCPQ, ULaval) and Dr. Gary Lewis (University of Toronto) are the scientific co-leads of this network, and;
- **Obesity Canada (OB)** (<https://obesitycanada.ca/>). Obesity Canada is the country's leading registered obesity charitable organization. Dr. Sanjeev Sockalingam is the Scientific Director of this network.

As part of this partnership, the CMDO will contribute to the training programs of DAC and OB across Canada by offering research training in French to members of these organizations. As a result, the CMDO Winter Camp is now open to Canadian francophone students outside Quebec from these organizations. In addition, our members, researchers, students, patients, health professionals and decision-makers will benefit from training programs, particularly in patient-oriented research. Special emphasis will be placed on gender equity issues and research with isolated and vulnerable populations.

Here are the different agreements that have been put in place to promote exchanges with DAC and OB:

*For each program, amounts are reserved in the annual budget of the CMDO Network. It is therefore possible to reimburse travel up to the amount reserved for this purpose.*

***Once you have determined which activity(ies) you wish to participate in, please contact us ([info@rrcmdo.ca](mailto:info@rrcmdo.ca)) to ensure the eligibility of the events you wish to attend and the amount (\$) that can be claimed from the CMDO.***

### Training activities – Free registrations :

- Throughout the year, DAC and OB will be offering free registrations to the CMDO for their training activities. CMDO members will be informed via the newsletters ;
  - Competitions will then be held to select candidates who are CMDO members to benefit from these exclusive registrations.
- The CMDO will also offer free registrations for its training activities to DAC and OB ;
  - DAC and OB will select candidates who are members of their entity to benefit from these registrations ;
- In addition to international participants, the CMDO [Winter Camp](#) will welcome DAC and OB affiliates from outside Quebec.

### Training activities – Travel reimbursement :

- Any eligible DAC or OB training activity :

DAC and OB are organizing patient-centred training throughout the year across Canada. CMDO members will be invited to attend. **Part of the transportation costs of the CMDO members could be covered by the CMDO.**

- Any eligible CMDO training activity

The CMDO will partially reimburse the travel expenses of DAC or OB members affiliated with a research center outside Quebec for CMDO training activities. For the Annual Scientific Meeting, only DAC or OB members outside Quebec can claim reimbursement for their travel expenses.

*If your event has been approved and is completed, contact Marc André Nault ([marc.andre.nault@rrcmdo.ca](mailto:marc.andre.nault@rrcmdo.ca)) as soon as possible to apply to the CMDO for travel reimbursement. Eligible requests will be accepted until the respective annual budget for each program is exhausted.*

Here are the links to view the calendar of all the activities of:

- [Diabetes Action Canada](#);
- [Obesity Canada](#) ;
  - [obesitycanada.ca/resources](http://obesitycanada.ca/resources) ;
  - [obesitycanada.ca/oc-hosted-events/](http://obesitycanada.ca/oc-hosted-events/) ;
- [CMDO Network – Scientific events](#)