

## What is the Global Health Research Initiative?

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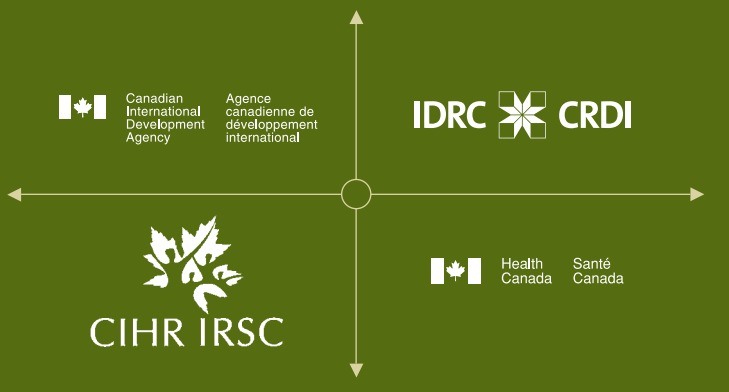
- Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR)**, the new expression of Canada's investment in health knowledge production and use, is already recognized internationally for its innovative and strategic programs, demonstrated in its focus-driven institutes and cross-cutting initiatives. Through its peer review system, it can provide the mechanism to ensure that Canada's contributions to global health problems will be deployed with both quality and relevance. In addition, the CIHR features knowledge translation in its mandate—an emphasis lacking in most similar agencies.
- Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA)** is Canada's principal development agency, reflecting and enacting our nation's overseas development policies in specific programs.
- Health Canada**, through its technical expertise in the health sector, is the guardian of a health system that is envied throughout the world. Health Canada actively seeks to base policy on evidence.
- International Development Research Centre (IDRC)** IDRC is a unique – and uniquely Canadian – institution providing research funding and technical support directly to the developing world. It brings to the partnership an outstanding global reputation, long experience in North-South research partnerships, and a global network of relationships with research institutions.



The **Global Health Research Initiative (GHRI)** marks a first in Canadian history to bring together knowledge, experience and resources of overseas development agencies, the Canadian Health department and the major federal health research funding agency of Canada. The collaborative approach serves as a framework for activities aimed at

- shaping and responding to the global health research agenda
- influencing policy and policy coherence relating to global health research and,
- facilitating information sharing among partner agencies

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