

YGK Healthcare Champions: Funding Request Application



The **YGK Healthcare Champions (YGKHC)** provide funding to support priority items for Kingston Health Sciences Centre (KHSC) and Providence Care. The successful applicant(s) will receive funding through University Hospitals Kingston Foundation (UHKF).

Examples could include the following:

- Funding for medical equipment, programs or research which increase the scope of patient care.
- Funding for medical equipment, programs or research which increase engagement with patients.

Eligibility

The award will be available exclusively to paid employees or affiliated physicians of Kingston Health Sciences Centre (KHSC) and Providence Care. Applications can be made by individuals, departments or a team.

Key Questions to Be Considered in Evaluating Applications

- Is the implementation of this feasible and can it be completed this fiscal year?
- The YGKHC grant must fully fund your request; your project cannot require additional grants from other funds.
- If your project does not require the full amount of allocated funding, the department **must** utilize any remaining funds for other purposes.

Criteria for Selection of Recipients

Applicants must submit their application in writing, adhering to the process outlined below. All required information must fit within the form's designated sections, no additional supporting materials will be accepted.

- The written application must include a description of the proposed project, research or equipment.
- The medical equipment, program or research must be in an area that is expected to have a direct beneficial impact on patient care at KHSC or Providence Care.
- A **letter from the applicant's operational director**, agreeing to proceed with the project if funding is awarded, must accompany the submission.

Award Value

- **\$10,000 to \$50,000** will be granted.
- If there are additional funds raised over \$50,000, they will be directed to support the winning applicant's department.

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Review Schedule and Deadlines

All applications will undergo a review panel process by the YGK Healthcare Champions committee.

- **May 26:** Applications go live and are shared with staff and affiliated physicians.
- **September 9:** Deadline for application submissions.
- **October 2:** The final three candidates will be selected by committee.
- **October 6:** Finalists announced in hospital intranet newsletters and UHKF website.
- **October 27:** The finalists present their projects to the YGK Healthcare Champion members at their funding 'Pitch Party' (in-person or via Microsoft Teams).
- **November 3:** Winner announced.
- **November 2026 - August 2027:** YGKHC will start fundraising for the winning project.
- **September 2027:** Funds will be granted.

Instructions

- The application must be written in such a way as to allow assessment by individuals, not experts in their field and must clearly define the nature of your proposal.
- Keep each answer to no more than approximately **1600 characters (not words)** to best fit in the allocated reply sections.
- Application submissions must include the full name(s) of the individual(s) submitting the application, work email address(es) and department name.
- Submission instructions are outlined at the end of the application form.

Note: If the above instructions are not followed, applications will be disqualified.

1. Briefly explain your project.

2. Does the equipment, program or research align with the following:

Process changes or improvements

A new business model

A change in perception or approach

Technical advancements

Positioning of a project/ program

Other

Briefly explain.

3. How will you implement the equipment, program or research?

4. How will this project improve patient care experiences or outcomes?

5. Amount Requested:

Provide a summary of how funds would be used.

6. If your request is less than \$50,000, how would you use the additional funds within your department?

7. If the YGKHC raise \$70,000 or \$90,000, how would you utilize the additional funds beyond your original request?

The YGK Healthcare Champions host community events to raise funds for KHSC and Providence Care. At these events, staff from UHKF and local health-care teams volunteer alongside the Champions—helping with tasks like check-in, handing out swag and engaging with attendees—all while raising awareness for their programs. These events also provide an opportunity to thank participants and community members for their support and generosity.

Upcoming YGK Healthcare Champion events include:

- One summer event in 2027 (TBD).
- One golf tournament at Loyalist Golf & Country Club on August 19, 2027.

9. If you are the successful applicant:

a. Are you willing to assist with both events? Yes No

b. How would you be willing to support and promote both events?

Applicant(s), Titles, Department(s), Direct Supervisor & Signatures

Applicant #1

Name	
Department	
Email	

Applicant #2

Name	
Department	
Email	

Applicant #3

Name	
Department	
Email	

Supervisor - Required

Name	
Department	
Email	

Final Steps

Please attach a letter from your director agreeing to proceed with the project if funding is awarded, when submitting your filled out application.

Submission: Send your application and letter by **September 9, 2026**, to: awards@uhkf.ca

Subject Line: YGKHC Award

File Names:

- Last Name, First Name - YGKHC 2026 Application
- Last Name, First Name - YGKHC 2026 Letter