HDRN Canada

Scientific Director and CEO’s Report

**November 1, 2024**

# Section 1: High-Level Progress Update

## Key progress since the last board meeting:

* Established clear action plans with measurable outcomes from January to June 2025 for each of the four HDRN Canada IDEA strategies.
* HDRN Canada supported the development of shared research objectives of an Indigenous-led Community Data Linkage Project at four community sites.
* A new distributed analytical method (Cox regression) is available for researchers, complementing distributed linear and logistic regressions already in place.
* HDRN Canada hosted in-person meetings with several Working Groups and Teams in November. Members met in person, to plan for the coming year, strategize within and across different teams, and participate in a facilitated workshop on network culture.
* After competing in two rounds of adjudication at UBC, UBC approved HDRN Canada’s Canadian Foundation for Innovation 2025 application for Stream 1 (the general stream) rather than Stream 3 (for Core Facilities). We are working towards the final application submissions in late January 2025.

## Major milestones for the coming quarter:

* Implementing DASH-related action plans within the DASH Review and creating more opportunities for multi-regional research will be taken on by the Leads and Executives. Planning for this will continue over the next quarter.
* Actioning of the HDRN Canada IDEA Strategy will begin in January 2025.
* The Community Data Linkage Project will connect community members and local researchers with DASH site leads.
* The Observational Medical Outcomes Partnership (OMOP) common data model (CDM) pilot project that included five HDRN Canada sites will be completed in November.

## Anticipated and ongoing challenge:

* HDRN Canada is in the last two full years of funding from CIHR, so sustainability is now an ongoing part of our work. We convened a Sustainability Task Force to focus on actions we can take to show the successes and indispensability of HDRN Canada and its members and to secure additional funds for the longer term.

# High-Level Key Performance Indicators

