**Introduction**

The following Request for Information (RFI) Form has been developed as part of the initial step for the *Exploring Cannabis-based Medicines and Tools (mCannabis) Program – Stream 2 Request for Information.*

***How Alberta Innovates can support the use of post-market surveillance data to improve patient outcomes and responsibly grow Canada’s Cannabis industry*.**

This RFI invites all *Cannabis*-related stakeholders in the *Cannabis* industry, scientific community, non-profits, government entities, health professionals, patients, patient advocates, and the general citizens of Alberta to provide responses.

There is no funding attached to the RFI process and is voluntary.

**Purpose**

Ideas suggested in response to this RFI are encouraged to go beyond the scope of Stream 1. Ideas should address the challenge, have the potential to leverage partnerships between academics and industry, be suitable for future research, and should have a high probability of resulting in deliverables that will benefit patients and industry within a fixed term.

**What Alberta Innovates will do with this information**

The RFI is for planning purposes only and should not be construed as solicitation for applications or proposals. The intent is to inform a future program call that can support the use of post-market surveillance data to improve patient outcomes and enhance the *Cannabis* industry. Processed and anonymized results will be shared with scientific / industry working groups convened by Alberta Innovates, as appropriate. Proprietary, classified, confidential, or sensitive information should not be included in your response. Alberta Innovates reserves the right to use any information in any resultant solicitation(s).

**RFI Instructions**

All capitalized words or terms that are not defined within this RFI have the respective meaning set out in the *Exploring Cannabis-based Medicines and Tools (mCannabis)* Program Guide (the ‘Guide’). You can view a copy of the Guide on our [website](https://albertainnovates.ca/programs/exploring-cannabis-based-medicines-and-tools-mcannabis-program/).

It is essential that you have read, and that you understand, the Guide before completing this RFI.

By submitting this RFI, the Respondent acknowledges that Alberta Innovates has no obligation to the Respondent during the course of receiving and reviewing the submission.

Submit your RFI by email to inbox\_grants@albertainnovates.ca with the email subject line: **“mCannabis – S2 – [Lead Respondent LAST NAME]”**

**Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (Alberta) (“FOIP”)**

Alberta Innovates is governed by FOIP. This means Alberta Innovates can be compelled to disclose the information received under this submission, or other information delivered to Alberta Innovates in relation to a Project, when an access request is made by anyone in the general public.

In the event an access request is received by Alberta Innovates, exceptions to disclosure within FOIP may apply. If an exception to disclosure applies, certain information may be withheld from disclosure. Applicants are encouraged to familiarize themselves with FOIP. Information regarding FOIP can be found at http://www.servicealberta.ca/foip/.

Section 1: General Information

1. **Concept Title (Non-Confidential)**

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1. **Respondent Information (Confidential)**

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| Name: |  |
| Title: |  | Phone Number: |  |
| Email: |  |
| Institution/company (optional) |  |

Section 2: Information Requested (Non-confidential)

This RFI requests ideas, comments, suggestions on how Alberta Innovates can support use of post-market surveillance data to improve patient outcomes and grow Canada’s *Cannabis* industry.

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| **Description of concept (limit 400 words):** |
| **Evidence to support concept (limit 400 words):**  |
| **Scientific and societal needs related to the concept (limit 400 words):**  |
| **Stakeholders in the ecosystem that are required and the potential for partnerships (limit 400 words):** *Identify any industry members, academic institutes, non-profit organizations, technology companies, and government entities* |
| **Deliverables that could be expected within a 2 – 3 year effort (limit 400 words):** *Examples: proof-of-concepts, prototypes, products* |
| **Expected outcomes (including scientific and societal) looking forward 5 – 10 years (limit 400 words):**  |
| **What barriers or risks do you perceive to advance the concept (limit 400 words):**  |
| **Indicate if you would be willing to participate in a future workshop to assist with priority setting and informing a future funding call:** [ ]  YES [ ]  NO |