

New Frontiers in Research Fund (NFRF) Exploration**Confirmation of Eligibility of Participants* from External Institutions or Organizations**

* Collaborators are not eligible to receive funds and are not required to be affiliated with an eligible institution.
Forms are required only from [co-Principal Investigators or co-applicants](#).

Completed and signed forms must be uploaded to the MRA application as part of the final submission process.

University of Toronto - Nominated Principal Investigator (NPI):

Project Title:

Name of External Participant:

Role of External Participant:

☐ Co-Principal Investigator ☐ Co-Applicant

Co-applicants **must** be [independent researchers](#).

Is this external participant listed on the application an [Early Career Researcher \(ECR\)](#)?

☐ Yes ☐ No

Affiliation of External Participant:

Is this organization an academic institution?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If **Yes**, co-applicants who are researchers/professors **must** be [independent researchers](#).

If **No**, please note that:

- Co-PIs and co-applicants **must not** be affiliated with a **federal, provincial, territorial or municipal government department or a for-profit organization**. Some exceptions as a **co-applicant** are permitted for federal government employees affiliated with a Canadian academic institution as adjunct professors who formally supervise students participating in the project and/or as adjunct professors whose planned

contributions to the project do not fall within the mandate of their federal employer.

- Individuals whose **primary affiliation is with an Indigenous government** are eligible to be co-PIs if they are considered independent researchers, or to be co-applicants.
- Individuals **indirectly employed by a federal, provincial or municipal government** (e.g., employees in police services, education, health care) are eligible to be co-applicants.

Confirmation of Eligibility

The undersigned confirms, on behalf of the organization, that the above-named **Co-Principal Investigator or Co-Applicant**:

Meets the eligibility criteria for a Co-Principal Investigator or Co-Applicant outlined above in this document.

- Is participating in only one NFRF Exploration stream application, either as a Nominated Principal Investigator (NPI) or as a Co-Principal Investigator (Co-PI).
- If previously holding an Exploration grant, has submitted and received approval of **the final project report** at least one month before the full application deadline for the current Exploration competition.
- Meets the criteria of an [Early Career Researcher \(ECR\)](#), as applicable.

Organizational Representative (Name):

Title: _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____