



LICENSING AGREEMENT AND PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN CANTRAIN AND THE CENTER FOR CLINICAL RESEARCH EDUCATION (CCRE) TO STRENGTHEN CANTRAIN CAPABILITIES TO DELIVER FASTER ACCESS TO STATE-OF-THE-ART REGULATORY COMPLIANCE TRAINING COURSES, LEVERAGING EACH OTHER EXPERTISE AND EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES.

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Montreal, Quebec, Canada – The CIHR-funded CANadian Consortium for Clinical Trials TRAINing (www.wecantrain.ca), a ground-breaking initiative led by Prof. Jean Bourbeau as the Nominated Principal Investigator and leading institution in the Research Institute of the McGill University Health Centre (RI-MUHC), are pleased to inform its pan-Canadian stakeholders and partnering members of a first licensing agreement and co-development over regulatory compliance courses, while further development are anticipated. CANTRAIN is creating a series of courses such as common core fundamental training and more advanced streams' specific ones, to bring competency to knowledge of current and emerging clinical researchers, trialists, professionals, and trainees thus greatly elevating the standards of clinical trials.

CANTRAIN is announcing this strategic partnership with Montreal-based Center for Clinical Research Education (CCRE), a leader in specialized training solutions dedicated to advancing education in clinical trials research. This collaboration marks an additional milestone in CANTRAIN's vision and mission (https://wecantrain.ca/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/Cantrain_Strategic-Plan_10-Feb-2024_EN_single-pages.pdf) to empower individuals with the skills and knowledge required to conduct superior, high-quality clinical trials.

Dr. Jean Bourbeau expressed enthusiasm about the partnership, stating, "*This collaboration with CCRE aligns seamlessly with our vision of fostering excellence in clinical trial training. By engaging CCRE, we aim to create courses faster by leveraging their expertise to provide additional educational resources to CANTRAIN and further strengthen our capabilities to deliver state-of-the-art training accompanied by CANTRAIN CONNECT (<https://wecantrain.ca/become-a-mentor/>) mentoring to clinical researchers and trialists within our consortium.*"

The CANTRAIN Consortium envisions a future where well-trained professionals contribute to the advancement of clinical trials research, ultimately leading to improved healthcare outcomes. "BETTER PREPARED. BETTER CARE". The partnership with CCRE underscores a shared commitment to innovation, education, and the pursuit of excellence in the field of clinical trials.

The present collaboration will facilitate the exchange of knowledge, resources, and best practices, between our teams, creating a dynamic learning environment that empowers individuals at all stages of their careers. Through this joint initiative regarding e-learning / e-training programs, CANTRAIN and CCRE will collectively contribute to shaping the future of clinical research education in Canada and beyond.

Andrew Cuttini from CCRE added, "*This partnership aligns with our mission to foster a culture of continuous learning and excellence in clinical research. Together with CANTRAIN, we look forward to delivering training programs that make a lasting impact on the industry.*"

For more information about CANTRAIN and its strategic partnership with CCRE, please visit <https://wecantrain.ca/home/news-events/news-updates/> or contact info@wecantrain.ca.



For more information about the Center for Clinical Research Education, please visit www.recherche-clinique.com or contact info@recherche-clinique.com.

About CANTRAIN:

CANTRAIN (CANadian Consortium for Clinical Trials TRAINing) is unlike any other training platform. CANTRAIN's vision is not just to train people how to conduct clinical trials research; it is to prepare all Canadians for the future through an innovative, competency-based clinical trials training curriculum enriched by experiential learning and expert mentorship. Competency-based training – Competence encompasses knowledge as well as the skills, abilities and behaviors that contribute to optimal performance. Our focus is not just training people WHAT to do, but HOW to do it well. Scientifically-grounded – Our curriculum is built using adult learning strategies based in cognitive science. Cognitive learning strategies improve comprehension, retention, and the ability to apply knowledge in real-life situations to solve difficult problems more quickly. Patient-centered and inclusive – CANTRAIN is raising the bar on patient engagement by developing evidence-based best practices for training patients and community partners, in addition to advanced curricula for researchers in patient engagement. Real-work relevance, real-world evidence – Preparing Canadians for the future means helping them explore career opportunities in this huge ecosystem, providing a training approach that reflects the operational realities of clinical trial sites, and provides recognized individual and institutional career benefits.

About the Center for Clinical Research Education (CCRE):

The Center for Clinical Research Education (CCRE) is a leading provider of specialized training solutions dedicated to advancing education in clinical research. With a commitment to excellence, CCRE offers innovative programs and resources to empower individuals in the field of clinical research.