# CanCOVID Collaboration Platform

CanCOVID is an expert community of Canadian COVID-19 researchers, clinical collaborators, and healthcare stakeholders from across the country. Canada's Chief Science Officer [1] mandated the creation of CanCOVID to optimize Canada's research response to the COVID-19 public health crisis.

**The CanCOVID platform is designed to promote collaboration, coordination and communication.**

CanCOVID is linking up Canada's research network community using an online messaging and collaboration platform (Slack [2]) that organizes real-time group discussion into team-specific workspaces and topic-specific channels.

**Who is leading CanCOVID?**

Canada's Departmental Science Advisor Network is working collectively with the sectors represented on its governance committee to facilitate the CanCOVID response. These sectors include federal and provincial governments, funding agencies, industry, academia from across Canada including the U15 Group of Canadian Universities [3], non-profit, indigenous communities, hospitals and clinics, as well as representation from the Office of the Chief Science Advisor [1], Health Canada [4], and the Public Health Agency of Canada [5].

**Who can join the CanCOVID platform?**

The CanCOVID platform is by invitation, and is restricted to verified members of the COVID-19 expert research and response community. For an inclusive list of research fields with recognized expertise, please visit CanCOVID [6].

# How to apply

If you would like to participate in this collaboration opportunity, please notify your College-level Associate Dean Research (ADR) for awareness.

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If you are working on the COVID-19 research response, and would like to join the CanCOVID platform, please fill out the online CanCOVID Registration Form [7].

# Special notes

Please note there is also the COVID-19 Resources Canada Portal, a central hub designed to

help those involved in COVID-19 R&D in Canada locate resources, expertise, reagents and equipment in a timely manner. For more information, visit COVID-19 Resources Canada [8].

Please refer to the Office of Research COVID 19 web-page [9] for directives related to research activities at the University of Guelph.
Click here to learn more about this alert [6]Alert ClassificationsCategory:
Research Management and Support

**Disciplines:**
Health and Life Sciences
Humanities
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Social Sciences

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**Links**
[1] https://www.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/063.nsf/eng/h_97646.html
[2] https://slack.com/intl/en-ca/
[3] http://u15.ca/
[4] https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada.html
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[6] https://cancovid.ca/#join
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[8] https://covid19resources.ca/
[9] https://www.uoguelph.ca/research/article/2019-novel-coronavirus-information