



**Job Descriptions  
for  
Two (2) Postdoctoral Fellowships (PDF)**

- (1) One in **Knowledge Acquisition and Translation (KA/KT)** from / to academic researchers, federal, provincial and territorial policy-makers (and other sources) regarding existing practices and services toward seniors' health (aging and eldercare)
- (2) One in **Knowledge Exchange and Mobilization (KE/KM)** transferring / disseminating knowledge, being a knowledge broker, engaging stakeholders such academics, federal, provincial and territorial policy-makers (users), to implement best practices (uses)

**GENERAL DESCRIPTION**

The Advancing Policies and Practices in Technology and Aging (APPTA) hub is a collaboration between AGE-WELL NCE and the New Brunswick Health Research Foundation. APPTA will be a focal point for policy innovation and knowledge mobilization across Canada by providing value, guidance and assistance for policy-makers, provincial and federal departments and agencies, academic researchers, clinicians, regional/district health authorities, communities, and the press, who are looking to exchange, learn, understand, and adopt new and innovative approaches (best practices) to solving complex policy, programming, and service delivery challenges relative to aging and eldercare.

Under the mentorship of a local Faculty member from the University of New Brunswick and a national co-mentor (member of the AGE-WELL NCE Network), and under the management of the Executive Director of the Innovation Hub, the Postdoctoral Fellows will develop an innovative and substantive research program in the area of policy, regulatory, and other aspects related to the proliferation and adoption of new technologies to support older adults and caregivers. As part of this program, the Fellows will review, develop, analyze, and publish key aspects of the research and policy development activities of the Hub.

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A key component to the Hub's work in accelerating innovation and ensuring that innovations contribute to more effective public policy in Canada.

The key innovation is to turn research into outcomes and impacts.

Knowledge Mobilization (KM) is an important part of the research process. KM occurs when research knowledge is applied to help facilitate real-world impact on policy and society. It is the process of adapting knowledge to increase research uptake and inform decisions, while also connecting researchers and their work to organizations and communities outside of the university. Common terms used to describe KM or related activities include Knowledge Translation, Knowledge Transfer, and Knowledge Exchange.

Knowledge mobilization is an umbrella term encompassing a wide range of activities relating to the production and use of research results, including knowledge synthesis, dissemination, transfer, exchange, and co-creation or co-production by researchers and knowledge users.

The Fellows will be poised to help establish the first pan-Canadian (engaging 14 different governments across Canada: Federal, 10 provinces and 3 territories) research program in this area by:

- Conducting literature reviews, interviews, surveys, focus groups, with key informants on government-university partnerships, community-university partnerships and knowledge mobilization/exchange tools and strategies used provincially, nationally and internationally; raise awareness of new knowledge;
- Developing a knowledge mobilization plan with specific receptor audience strategies based on AGE-WELL NIH-APPTA principles, such as "Working with Media," "Using Social Media," and "Working with Government."
- Contributing to the development of knowledge mobilization resources and recommendations for the benefit of policy development for the aging population;
- Supporting existing Awnih-APPTA knowledge mobilization activities: Hosting networking events, seminars and (lunch & learn) workshops;



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- Leading or contributing to publications, presentations, summaries, research reports, webinars, media relations instruments (e.g., press releases, web content, social media), and the planning of community, academic or business events.

### QUALIFICATIONS

We are looking for highly promising scholars with a Ph.D. in pillars 3 and/or 4 per health policy, health services, social sciences and/or related areas. Applicants must have completed the requirements for the Ph.D. by the start of the appointment and have a New Brunswick-based co-supervisor and mentor and a national co-supervisor and mentor, who is a member of the AGE-WELL NCE Network.

### TRAINING AND MENTORSHIP

An important part of the AGE-WELL mandate is to provide world-class training to Highly Qualified Personnel (HQP), including graduate students, post-doctoral fellows, research associates and technicians in the field of technology and aging. It is expected that HQP associated with this funded project contact the AGE-WELL Education and Training Administrator ([training@agewell-nce.ca](mailto:training@agewell-nce.ca)) to join the AGE-WELL HQP program and participate in the *Early Professionals, Inspired Careers* (EPIC) program towards earning the Innovators of Tomorrow Certificate.

### TERM OF APPOINTMENT

The term of appointment can be up to three (3) year (2017-18 to 2019-20), as a full time position, starting on September 6, 2017. Applicants are expected to reside in New Brunswick for the duration of the appointment and must be prepared to spend time at the AGE-WELL National Innovation Hub in Fredericton and the AGEWELL Network Management Office in Toronto as appropriate.

### STIPEND

The annual stipend is CA\$56,500 per year, including benefits if applicable (align with the UNB policies as per employment of Postdoctoral Fellow).

### TO APPLY

Please forward your resumé to Shelley Kenny Manager, Human Resources [skenny@yorkcarecentre.ca](mailto:skenny@yorkcarecentre.ca)



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