The following Priority Announcements will be available as a part of the 2022 Kidney Health Research Grant competition. Please refer to the Kidney Health Research Grant policies for Priority Announcement Policy details.

1. Research in Health Equity
The KFOC will provide funding for project applications that are considered relevant to developing, encouraging, promoting, or providing advancement for health concerns directly related to an underserved group in Canada. Please note, that justification of why this population is to be considered underserved, must be included in the eligibility justification. Project design must include respect for cultural or population values and applicants must provide evidence of direct involvement from the population being addressed in project design, implementation, and/or knowledge dissemination. Additionally, budget considerations for contributions should be considered.

This opportunity may include but is not limited to Indigenous (First Nations, Inuit and/or Métis) health. Please see below for additional requirements:

Indigenous (First Nations, Inuit and/or Métis) Health
Projects must include direct relevance to Indigenous health concerns, and must include respect for Indigenous values, cultures, and ways of knowing. Please note that in order to be eligible for this research opportunity, applicants must provide evidence of Indigenous (First Nations, Inuit or Métis) involvement in the project design, implementation, and knowledge dissemination and should provide budget considerations to support indigenous involvement in the project (included but not limited to: honorariums for elders/knowledge keepers, tobacco/sacred medicine or other offerings, translation of project materials to indigenous languages, etc.).

2. Awareness, Access, and Action
The KFOC will provide funding for project applications that focus on increasing awareness of the impact of kidney disease on patients and/or improving patient access to evidence-based treatments and optimal care. This priority includes but is not limited to:

- Projects that focus on exploring strategies to improve patient access to health information or care
- Projects that will provide evidence to inform health policy changes and/or advocacy
- Projects focusing on the health economics of kidney disease
- Projects focused on collecting population health data to provide evidence for the current state of kidney care