

**CCS/CIHR Cancer Survivorship Team Grant
Engagement & Relevance Scale**

Characteristics	Alignment	Descriptor	Priority for Funding
1. The team has demonstrated frequent engagement, from research conception, of survivor/caregiver participants as true members of the research team	All (7) characteristics have been appropriately and thoroughly addressed in the research proposal.	Outstanding	Very High
2. The appropriate survivor/caregiver participants have been engaged on this grant (i.e. the focus of the research appropriately matches the experience and interest of the participants)	Most (6) of the characteristics have been appropriately and/or thoroughly addressed in the research proposal. There is room for minor improvement of some characteristics, but no moderate or major concerns.	Excellent	High
3. Survivor/Caregiver participant roles are clearly articulated (responsibilities, frequency of and expectations around commitment to the research process are defined) and include opportunities to meaningfully contribute to the research design, implementation, analysis and dissemination	Many (4-5) of the characteristics have been appropriately and/or thoroughly addressed in the research proposal. There are several areas for improvement, and a few moderate concerns.	Very Good	Medium
4. A clear plan for evaluation of survivor/caregiver engagement is present	Some (2-3) of the characteristics have been appropriately and/or thoroughly addressed in the research proposal. There are a number of areas for improvement and at least one major concern.	Good	Low
5. A plan or policy for compensating survivors/caregivers is clearly articulated			
6. Survivor/Caregiver perspectives have clearly been considered and are reflected in the relevance of the proposal outcomes to cancer survivorship			
7. The outcomes of the proposal are highly likely to prevent or diminish one or more adverse effects of a cancer diagnosis and have a positive impact on subsequent health outcomes for cancer survivors	Very few to none (0-1) of the characteristics have been appropriately and/or thoroughly addressed in the research proposal. There are major concerns. The proposal needs further development before being competitive in this competition.	Insufficient	None