

Announcement – Prevention Lab

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The Danish Cancer Society has allocated 25 million for innovative prevention initiatives.

The Danish Cancer Society aims to strengthen practice-based prevention. Therefore, in the period 2024-2027, a total of DKK 25 million will be allocated to support innovative prevention projects. The overall goal of the grant is to find new and unconventional ways to prevent cancer and improve the health of cancer patients.

What types of projects are eligible?

The project must be **innovative**. Innovation is understood here as 'the development of a new idea and its realization in practice.' In this context, it could be new technical solutions, routines, and procedures that impact public or cancer patient health, or the integration of new customs and behaviors in societies, organizations, or structures. It may also involve interdisciplinary collaborations where a new application of technologies, methods, or organizations from another scientific field or arena is applied in a Danish context.

The project must have both a practice and research element. A practitioner (e.g., municipality, general practice, hospital department, patient organization, company) must participate in the project, either as an applicant or co-applicant. The practice element is crucial to support the project's potential for anchoring, as well as for involving the target group.

The project must be **research-based**, i.e. a researcher from a recognized research institution must participate, either as an applicant or co-applicant. Both researchers with longer as well as shorter seniority are encouraged to apply, but research experience is a prerequisite. The results from the project should aim to be published in a peer reviewed journal.

The project must potentially (if implemented and/or scaled) have an **impact** on the prevention of cancer or the improvement of cancer patients' health. The project must address at least one of the four themes of the Danish Cancer Society's Prevention Policy ([PDF](#)).

Who can apply for the grant?

Both practitioners and researchers can apply for the grant. Commercial entities can apply for the fund in collaboration with researchers but must explain the purpose. Researchers and practitioners affiliated with the Danish Cancer Society can apply for the fund. Applicants must meet the formal grant criteria (guidelines to follow).

How much can be applied for?

Each application can apply for an amount of DKK 400,000 and 1,000,000 for projects lasting 1-2, up to a maximum of 3 years. A budget must be prepared (guidelines will follow), with an indication of co-financing. Co-financing is not a pre-requisite. It is possible to apply for support to salary, including full or partial buy-out from ordinary work, remuneration of scientific and technical assistance, operating expenses, etc. in connection with the project. The Danish Cancer Society does not contribute to overhead cost.

Project description



The application must include a project description of 6-7 pages, detailing:

Summary: A brief description of the project in easy-to-understand language.

Background: The relevance of the project concerning the call's objectives (cancer prevention and improvement of cancer patients' health), including description of problem, existing knowledge, research environments nationally/internationally, as well as references.

Objectives: The project's objectives in bullet points.

Strategic focus: Which strategic theme(s) in the Danish Cancer Society's Prevention Policy the project addresses: 1) Health equality, 2) Responsibility for healthier generations, 3) Better health with and after cancer, and 4) More personalized prevention.

Innovation: Description of the innovative element in the project.

Methods: Description of the project's method.

Project plan: The project's activities, timeline, and organization.

Target group: Description of the target group, including how the target group's perspective is incorporated.

Impact: Description of the potential impact on cancer prevention and/or improvement of cancer patients' health.

Anchoring: Description of the anchoring potential after funding ends.

Ethical aspects: Description of the ethical aspects for citizens/patients in the project.

Budget: Indicate the project budget (guidelines will follow).

Risks: Description of the major risks for the project and how they will be managed.

Dissemination: Description of how the project's results will be communicated.

Applicants must comply with the Danish Cancer Society's [ethical guidelines](#) and [privacy policy](#).

Guidance

Applications are submitted via the Danish Cancer Society's electronic application system.

Guidance for the application system, detailed application requirements, grant criteria, and evaluation will follow.

Applications should preferably be written in Danish but can also be written in English.

Evaluation Committee

Applications are evaluated by a committee representing both research and practice, with knowledge of innovation and public health. The committee consists of two members of the Danish Cancer Society's Prevention Committee, two members of the Danish Cancer Society's Scientific Committee, one member from the Danish Cancer Society's research strategy committee, a patient representative, and two-three other members.

In the case of a granting decision, the same principles for the Danish Cancer Society's grant and accounting terms for research grants will apply.

Application deadline

The application deadline is October 22, 2024.

Questions



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