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## FAQ

### **WHAT ARE THE IMPORTANT DATES?**

- Deadline to Register: Friday, May 27 @ 11:59 PM
- Question Release: Monday, May 30th 12:01 AM
- Round 1 Submission: Sunday, June 12 @ 11:59 PM
- Round 2 Live Pitch: Tuesday, June 24 @ Tbd

### **HOW DOES THE CHALLENGE WORK?**

(1) Round 1 (Written Round): You and your team will have 12 days to create a solution to the challenge question posed. Submissions include a 1-page written proposal in response to the challenge question and a 5-slide “pitch” deck outlining your solution.

(2) Round 2 (Pitch Round): The top 5 scoring teams will advance to the final presentation round, where they will give a 5-minute pitch outlining their solution to an esteemed panel of expert judges and an audience of University of Toronto students and faculty.

### **HOW CAN I REGISTER MY TEAM?**

ONE member of your team must sign-up using the registration form found on our website. The individual who completes this form will be assigned as Team Captain.

### **WHO CAN BE ON MY TEAM?**

- Teams must have AT LEAST 1 graduate student from the Institute of Medical Science (IMS).
- Teams can register with a minimum of 2 and a maximum of 5 members.
- All team members must be registered graduate students (Masters or Doctoral) at the University of Toronto for the 2021-2022 academic year.

### **I DO NOT HAVE A TEAM BUT I WANT TO COMPETE. CAN I STILL REGISTER?**

Yes! Complete the form and indicate that you are a FREE AGENT. You will be assigned to a team with other free agents, or assigned to a team that is recruiting free agents.

### **I AM A NON-IMS (Institute of Medical Science) STUDENT, CAN I COMPETE?**

Yes. Any registered UofT graduate student can participate, as long as they have a minimum of 1 IMS student on their team. If you are a non-IMS Free Agent, we will place you on a team accordingly.



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### **WHAT IS THE TIME COMMITMENT LIKE?**

This is not meant to be a rigorous academic event. The written proposal is the only 1-page (single-spaced) where you elaborate on the details of your proposed solution. We estimate you and your team may meet 2-3 times to discuss your solution, and then divide the work for the 1-page proposal and 5-slide deck. If you make it to the live Pitch Round, we estimate you will practice 1-2 times with your group and prepare answers to any possible questions.

### **ARE THERE PRIZES?**

Yes! There will be cash prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place at the Pitch round. Additionally, The Top 5 teams will also be featured on the MiDATA podcast for 'AI in Medicine'.

### **IF I CANNOT COMMIT TO REGISTERING, CAN I ATTEND THE LIVE EVENT AS A GUEST?**

Yes! We encourage all students to register and participate in this competition for a unique and exciting learning experience. However, If you are unable to commit in this timeframe we would love to have you as a guest!

### **WILL THE PITCH ROUND BE IN PERSON?**

Yes! We are planning for an in-person event at the University of Toronto Campus. The exact location is TBD. Visit our website and check out our social media for more details!

### **WILL THERE BE ANY NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES?**

There will be networking opportunities available for all event participants at the live Pitch Round. Our judges will be professionals working in the Canadian healthcare system (e.g., clinicians, academics, entrepreneurs, etc.). There will be refreshments and a break during the event for all attendees and competitors to network.

### **WHEN DO WE FIND OUT THE CHALLENGE QUESTION?**

The challenge question and all case details will be emailed to all teams following the end of the registration on May 30th.

### **WHAT WILL THE CHALLENGE QUESTION BE ON?**

The theme will be announced in May 2022. The challenge question can be on any aspect of care in the Canadian healthcare system.

### **WHAT IF I'M NOT AN EXPERT IN THE CHALLENGE QUESTION AREA?**

Not a problem! The purpose of the Healthcare Innovation Challenge is to get you out of your academic comfort zone, exercise creativity, and put knowledge translation into action. We are looking for CREATIVE solutions that will benefit the Canadian healthcare system.