### Dalla Lana School of Public Health

### **DLSPH Office of Research**

2018-19 Report to Faculty Members

In the 2018-19 grant year, together we continued our strong trajectory from last year of increased research growth, resulting in the allocation of a new CRC Tier 2 position and increased John R. Evans Leaders Fund funding. In addition to supporting an increased number of principal investigatordriven initiatives, the Office of Research has supported large institutional grant applications such as the CFI Innovation Fund, and in collaboration with Advancement, the U of T MacArthur 100&Change proposal. In support of our first Academic Plan, we have launched the interdisciplinary research clusters initiative, creating a climate where collaboration built on disciplinary strengths will thrive.

# 68%

Faculty participation rate in CRC-eligible programs in 2018

An increase from 53% in 2016, bringing DLSPH close to the U of T average participation rate.

30%

#### Increase in Tri-Council funding

Tri-Council funding \$ held at DLSPH has continued to increase yearly, with over 30% increase in the past two grant years compared to the average of previous years since becoming an independent faculty.

# 25%

Success rate for CIHR project scheme grant

This past grant year, the DLSPH CIHR project scheme success rates were over 25% compared to previous competitions that averaged 7%. DLSPH surpassed the national average of 17%.



#### Increase in all research funding sources combined

Total research funding \$ held at DLSPH has continued to increase yearly, with a 44% increase over the past two grant years compared to the average of previous years since becoming an independent faculty.

#### **New & Emerging**

- Support the first set of school-wide interdisciplinary research clusters and form teams for the remaining clusters
- Promote faculty's impact with the support of the newly formed Faculty Awards committee
- Incorporate key feedback from our Office of Research Survey into the coming year's strategy
- Co-create, with our Post-doctoral fellows, an environment that fosters a strong sense of community
- DLSPH held grants awarded in 2018-2019: <u>http://www.dlsph.utoronto.ca/research/funded-research/</u>