

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO SUBMIT A CHALLENGE?

MEDICAL, HEALTH, OR REHABILITATION PRACTITIONER

Individuals working as healthcare practitioners (either as a registered or licensed practical nurse or nurse practitioner, a licensed medical doctor, resident, or medical school student), healthcare administrator, coordinator, or specialist. Proposals are welcome from providers working in either the public or private sector.

RESEARCHER

Highly qualified personnel (graduate or post-doctoral trainees or staff) working in a laboratory environment or in a core research support facility.

INDUSTRY REPRESENTATIVE

Individuals working at firms of any size on the development of neurotechnologies such as brain-computer interfaces and pharmaceuticals, and advancing research techniques with new tools.

PATIENT ADVOCATE

Individuals who serve on committees, boards, or councils that influence health-care policies, practices, and legislation.

SUPPORT PROVIDER

Individuals from organizations providing forms of support indirect to and proactive to patients and community health such as resources and education, referral, and counseling.

WHAT IS EXPECTED OF A CHALLENGE CHAMPION?

PRE-RECORD YOUR PITCH WITH A MEMBER OF THE NEURO NEXUS TEAM

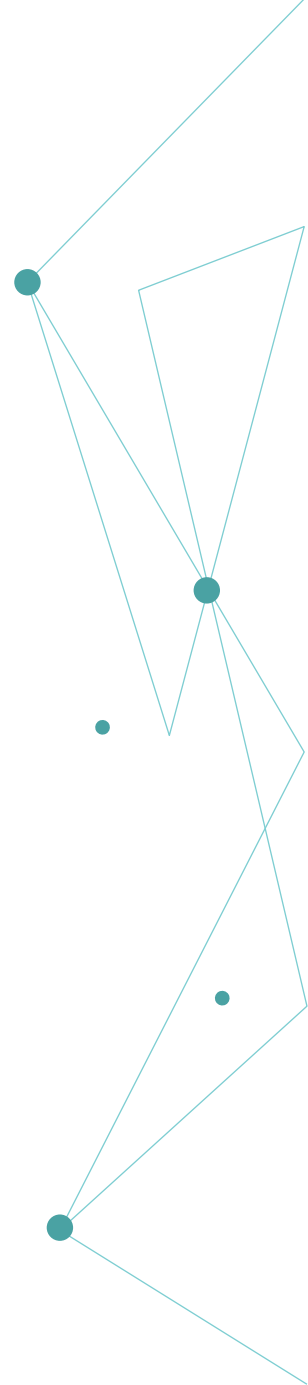
To ensure consistent and high quality pitches are shown to our innovators, we will pair you someone from our team to record your pitch shortly after your challenge is accepted.

ATTEND TEAM FORMATION - SATURDAY OCT 17TH

At Pitch Day you will be given the opportunity to present your challenge to hundreds of attendees and organically form a team of innovators with the right background to tackle your challenge.

ATTEND A ONE-ON-ONE CHAMPIONS CONSULTATION - SEPT 2020

The Champion's Consultation is intended to help Challenge Champions get the most out of the competition. The consultations will introduce each of the featured challenges and cover program design, intellectual property considerations, and what you can expect on Pitch Day.



GUIDE YOUR TEAM DURING THE COMPETITION

The level of involvement is your decision and depends on your schedule, the needs of the project, and the dynamic within the team. You may opt for a consultancy or mentorship role, a strong contributory role, or a project management/leadership role.

HOW TO SUBMIT A CHALLENGE

CHALLENGE DESCRIPTION

To submit a challenge, complete the form at www.neuro-nexus.ca by Friday, September 19.

In addition to basic information about you and your challenge, we require that you select a project track and a description of the challenge (elaborated in more detail below). You will also be required to select the time you will attend the workshop, and indicate your availability for Pitch Day.

Optionally, you may provide a summary of market research or literature review findings, any prior work on this project and your intellectual property position, the skills you think you need, and your long-term aspirations for the project.

CHALLENGE TRACKS

Challenges submitted to the competition originate from wildly different contexts, have different end-goals, and often have distinct intellectual property needs. In an attempt to optimize the program to these various needs, champions will select a track upon submission, but will be permitted to cross-over to another track during the program. Teams will compete within their own tracks for awards. You may submit more than one challenge, but we will normally select your most competitive challenge for featuring.

DELIBERATION & EVALUATION

After the call for challenges closes, challenges will be reviewed and ranked by an independent panel of researchers, healthcare practitioners and industry members for the following criteria:

1. Ability to solve with technology
2. Novelty
3. Feasibility
4. Positioning for Impact
5. Need for a multidisciplinary team
6. Alignment with competition theme (brain and mental health)



SUBMIT YOUR CHALLENGE AT NEURO-NEXUS.CA BY **SEPTEMBER 19TH** OR
CONTACT CHALLENGES@NEURO-NEXUS.CA FOR MORE INFORMATION