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| **Agreement of support****HELSE VEST'S RESEARCH FUNDS FOR STRATEGIC RESEARCH INITIATIVES 2025-2029** |
| This agreement is to be attached if the applicant, at the time of applying, is not employed (min.20%) by one of Helse Vest RHF's healthcare providers or by [a private, non-profit institution which has an agreement with Helse Vest RHF.](https://www.helse-vest.no/behandlingsstader/avtalar-med-private/) **Staff at the following institutions can apply with an agreement of support**: Universities and colleges in the region, as well as substance abuse centres and rehabilitation institutions with an agreement with Helse Vest. These institutions must sign as an "external institution" in the agreement of support. This agreement involves obligations in regards to points that are explained in the agreement. [The guidelines for Helse Vest's research funds](https://www.helse-vest.no/en/en/research-and-co-operation/guidelines-for-helse-vests-research-funding/) form the basis for the agreement of support.  |
| **This agreement concerns** |
| The applicant: | Click here to add text. |
| Title of the project: | Click here to add text. |
| The application concerns:  |  Velg et element. |
| **Responsibility as applicant institution** |
| The health trust (applicant institution) is the responsible institution for the project (cf. the Health Research Act) and has employer responsibility for personnel funded by the grant. When awarded a PhD fellowship, the applicant institution is responsible for ensuring that the fellowship can be completed within the stipulated time and within the framework of the grant.Research is one of four main tasks of the health trusts, and the trusts receive funding to perform this task. Helse Vest's research funds are considered part of the financial contribution to perform research, and any responsible institution can not claim overhead from these funds. Overhead shall be understood as joint expenses such as office/workplace rent, PC with standard software, telephone and other administrative services related to human resources, finance and library services. The institution is responsible for the cost also if there is a need to buy these services from third party providers. |
| **Use of facilities and infrastructure in the project period** |
| The parties have come to the following agreement concerning the use of facilities and infrastructure (for example, the use of laboratories) for the completion of the project:  | Click here to add text. |
| **Research on health information and human biological material** |
| Does the project fall under the Health Research Act? | Yes [ ]  | No [ ]  |
| If yes: The obligations of the institution responsible for research are clarified between the parties in accordance with the Health Research Act.  |
| **Employer responsibility** |
| Personnel funded by Helse Vest research funds are to be employed by the applicant institution (public/private healthcare provider, non-profit institution). |
| **Credits when publishing** |
| The parties are aware of the Liaison Committee's (Samarbeidsorganet) guidelines for the attribution of credit and are aware that these cannot be deviated from. The parties agree that, at a minimum, the applicant institution and subordinate units (department/clinic) must be credited in publications emanating from this project. In addition, the author's link to a university/college or another clinic/department of the health trust can be credited if an important contribution came from these. |
| **Distribution of rights in case the result has commercial potential** |
| Regarding inventions emanating from this application and the project the parties agree to the following: The applicant institution is to be notified if the invention has possible commercial value. The notification (DOFI) is to be in writing on a set form, cf. the applicant institution's own guidelines for this. |
| **Accounting institution** |
| Helse Vest's research funds will be accounted for by the health trusts in Helse Vest or [the private, non-profit institutions](https://www.helse-vest.no/behandlingsstader/avtalar-med-private/) in accordance with the general guidelines for the use of earmarked grants to research.  |
| **Duration of the agreement** |
| This agreement is valid, at a minimum, as long as the application/the project receives funding from Helse Vest RHF. |
| From date: Click here to add text. | To date: Click here to add text. |

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| **Parties to the agreement** |
| Signing of the agreement of support is to follow the authority structure of the institutions, and at a minimum, at the level of clinic director, head of department, or the equivalent. Agreements not signed according to the authority structure will lead to the application being put aside.  |
| **Applicant institution** | **External institution**  |
| Choose institution | Choose institution |
| Name of head at applicant institution: Click here to add text. | Name of head at external institution:  Click here to add text. |
| Date: Click here to add text. | Date: Click here to add text. |
| Signature, head of applicant institution | Signature, head of external institution |
| (Title and name) Click here to add text. | (Title and name)Click here to add text. |