Centre for Leadership: A Strategy for Academic Integration of Research, **Education and Clinical** Care

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Purpose: To describe how an academic health science centre, providing pediatric rehabilitation services, research, and education, developed a Centre for Leadership (CfL) program to integrate its academic functions and embrace the goal of being a learning organization.

Call to action:

Design a program to integrate clinical, research and education at an academic health science centre

A Centre for Leadership can enhance your organization's authentic partnership, leaderful practice and innovation



Process:

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How to build a Centre for Leadership:

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Strategy:
• Drive impact for children,
  youth, families, clinicians,
  researchers, Holland Bloorview
  and the system
• Fund new and emerging
  clinical, research and education
  initiatives
• Support partnership and
  integration for families,
  clinicians, researchers,
  educators, students and system
  partners
• Create an environment to
  support growth in leadership,
  research, clinical practice,
  innovation, knowledge
  translation and project
  management
Structure:
• Vice presidents of clinical care,
  research and academics took
  on accountability for the
  program
• Co-leads provided strategic
  leadership and the manager
  supported structures,
  processes and projects
• Implemented an open
  application process for
  submitting project ideas that
  could request up to $20,000 in
  funding from a pool of
  $300,000
  Selection process: Selection
  committees included families,
  clinicians, researchers,
  students and managers
• The Centre provided ongoing
  project management, research
  mentorship and leadership
  support
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