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As President of the Canadian Critical Care Society (CCCS), and personally as one of the pilot study sites, it is my pleasure to wholeheartedly support ***Crystalloid FLUID Choices for Resuscitation of Hospitalized Patients: A Pragmatic Cluster Cross Over Trial***. The CCCS feels the trial will answer an important and fundamental clinical question on the use of resuscitation fluids. While there have been a few publications in this area recently I truly believe that your study design has the capacity to answer a question that many of us struggle with. Resuscitation from shock is a cornerstone for the practice of critical care medicine. While the FLUID study is not limited to patients in critical care, we believe that answers to the questions being explored could have a large impact on our clinical practice and patient outcomes. You have been leading this research program and the pilot trial has met all feasibility metrics. This trial will address a highly relevant question about usual care resuscitation crystalloid fluid therapy using a pragmatic and innovative trial design which leverages existing health administrative data.

Generally, we see the role of the CCCS to attest to the importance of work and how we can contribute to knowledge translation. For this grant in particular we will help you to:

- 1) Identify and liaise with relevant experts and knowledge users in the Canadian critical care community.
- 2) Work with the team to develop dissemination materials through our Knowledge Translation Committee and Clinical Committee.
- 3) Work to embed this new knowledge into the education of our next generation of Intensivists through the Education Committee.

We are affiliated with the largest national meeting (Critical Care Canada Forum), our official publication is the Canadian Journal of Anesthesia and we have an active web and social media presence. We will work together to assure knowledge dissemination through all of these forums.

Warmest regards,

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