



# CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

2024 Mansueto Innovation Institute

## Innovation Champions Program

The Innovation Champions Program provides Northwestern Medicine clinicians with protected time to identify, evaluate and implement new, innovative solutions for improved health outcomes and experiences.

Ideal candidates are high-potential clinical leaders who are passionate about transforming care through technology and want to become long-term Innovation liaisons for their department.

### Program overview

- Includes 18 NM clinicians in any role, such as physicians, nurses, pharmacists and therapists
- Spans eight months, with up to eight hours of activities and homework each month
- Provides funding to supplement 5% of champions' time
- Offers training in human-centered design and design thinking
- Centers on a group capstone project in which participants use human-centered design thinking to create an innovative solution and plan a deployment at NM

## HOW TO APPLY

**Applications due February 16, 2024**

### Interested in being an Innovation Champion?

- Discuss with your medical director and/or manager.
- Complete and submit your [Innovation Champions Application](#).

### Want to nominate someone to be an Innovation Champion?

Discuss with the nominee or send their name to [innovation@nm.org](mailto:innovation@nm.org).

Questions? Contact the Innovation Team at [innovation@nm.org](mailto:innovation@nm.org).



# NM Mansueto Innovation Institute Champions Program

The Innovation Champions Program provides *clinicians* with *protected time* to participate in innovation activities with the *goal of increasing engagement in identifying, evaluating, and implementing new innovative solutions* for improved health outcomes and experiences.

## Program Benefits



- Specialized training and education in healthcare innovation
- Access to Innovation Institute people, partners, startups, & space
- Opportunity to take an idea from inception to fruition through the capstone project
- Opportunity to influence the direction of NM Innovation
- Funding for 5% of participants' time, paid to participants' departments

## Candidate Criteria

- Clinicians with support of their medical leadership and administrators
- Individuals interested in getting involved in NM Innovation and passionate about transforming care with technology
- Individuals excited to work in groups to identify and refine solutions
- Effective communicators eager and able to commit time
- Do not need a specific idea/innovation project they want to work on

## Time Commitment

*Participants can expect to devote up to 8 hours/month for 8 months*

- NM Innovation 101 Training
- Design Thinking & Human-Centered Design Training
- Workshops at Chicago MATTER
- Ongoing solution identification and refinement workshops + homework
- Final showcase pitch event

For questions please contact the Innovation Team at [Innovation@nm.org](mailto:Innovation@nm.org)