1. We understand the McGill co-PIs need to be early or mid-career level. Does a co-PI from a LMIC partner also need to be early or mid-career?

No, a co-PI from a LMIC partner can be any level.

2. What exactly is meant by “preference will be given to proposals that: Represent new interdisciplinary collaborations among, faculty, fellows, postdocs, students or staff who have not previously worked together”? Do you mean never worked together in any capacity (previously held grant, co-publications) or just never worked together on this new project idea?

New interdisciplinary collaborations would be a new partnership in this research area. Researchers may have worked together previously on other projects, but should be new collaborators in the topic submitted for seed grant consideration.

3. The website says “The research must be conducted in a low or middle income country, or conducted in a resource-poor setting within Canada (e.g. aboriginal/refugee populations).” Would a mathematical modeling or a secondary analysis study using data from LMIC, or a study using lab samples from LMIC be eligible?

Research conducted solely in Canada with data or samples from low and middle income countries (evidence to inform policies, demographic health surveys, etc.) is eligible, but it would be important to highlight the contribution of the research to LMIC partners. Engagement with LMIC partners will be taken into consideration by reviewers.