

## **Support letter process**

If you want to qualify for a support letter of the DCVA in order to become a DCVA consortium or DCVA project you have to meet a couple requirements:

- Be sure to contact the DCVA for a support letter <u>at least 4 weeks before the deadline</u>. The DCVA can be contacted via <u>info@dcvalliance.nl</u>
- If you want to know whether your consortium or project is eligible for a support letter, read the requirements below:

1. Letter of support for projects that contribute to the DCVA's mission but do not become a consortium

To qualify as a project for a letter of support from the DCVA, the project must meet the following aspects:

- Project contributes to at least one of the six pillars within the DCVA
- DCVA partners play a clear role in the project
  - o Please let us know if you have requested other letters of support
- The applicant can specifically indicate the contribution and role of (a partner of) the DCVA in the project. The details of this contribution is discussed with the program management team of the DCVA.
  - The DCVA can write a letter to support certain projects, but this does not automatically involve (future) commitment.

2. Letter of support in order to become a DCVA consortium

To become a DCVA consortium, the consortium must meet the following aspects:

- A research and/or application-driven consortium with a clear social impact aimed at reducing the burden of disease caused by cardiovascular diseases by detecting and/or better treatment of cardiovascular diseases and creating concrete solutions for patients. The subject of the consortium is in line with the central ambition of the DCVA:
- Within the consortium there is collaboration between public and/or private organizations;
- Several research institutions (university, university medical center, university of applied sciences and/or peripheral hospital), public and private organizations participate in the consortium, based on a specific substantive theme. This creates a network with national coverage;
- At least one of the organizations that is part of the consortium is a formal partner of the DCVA or is represented by one of the DCVA partners;
- At least one of the funders of the consortium is one of the partners of the DCVA.



## DCVA in-kind / in-cash contribution

The DCVA does not have the financial resources or the personnel possibilities to contribute in-kind or in cash to consortia and projects that require a letter of support. The DCVA primarily focuses on emphasizing the importance of a consortium or project when it contributes to the ambition of the DCVA. In-kind and/or in-cash contributions can be discussed in consultation with individual partners.

If you have any questions, please contact the Program Management Team via info@dcvalliance.nl