

GRANTS AND FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Among the many funding opportunities available for medical researchers and other healthcare professionals, several may be of particular interest to those who work in ethnic minority health and the readership of our journal. For additional information, readers are encouraged to contact the lead agency to confirm application process and deadlines.

CENTERS FOR RESEARCH AND DEMONSTRATION FOR HEALTH PROMOTION AND DISEASE PREVENTION (93.135)

Objectives

- To establish, maintain, and operate academic-based centers for high-quality research and demonstration with respect to health promotion and disease prevention.
 - To establish linkages, where applicable, between ongoing, basic research in a wide array of fields and applied research in disease prevention and health promotion.
 - To bring the knowledge and expertise of academic health centers to bear on practical public health problems.
 - To field test and rigorously evaluate more cost-effective methods and strategies for preventing unnecessary illness and promoting good health.
 - To shorten the time lag between the development of new and proven effective disease prevention and health promotion techniques and their widespread application.
- To involve the community in the development, conduct, and implementation of prevention research.

Eligibility

Accredited schools of medicine, schools of osteopathy, and schools of public health as defined in Section 701 (4) of the Public Health Service Act.

Credentials/Documentation

Costs will be determined in accordance with HHS Regulations, 45 CFR 74, Subpart Q for nonprofit organizations.

Deadlines

Contact headquarters office.

Obligations

FY07 \$24,287,000, FY08 est \$24,200,000, FY09 est \$24,200,000.

Range and Average

\$720,000 to \$770,000; \$730,000.

Examples of Funded Projects

Each center dedicates core resources to support a particular

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services

Authorization: Public Health Service Act, Section 1706, 42 USC 300u-5, as amended; Section 2(d), Public Law 98-551.

research project with a particular emphasis on addressing health disparities. For example, the causes of excess mortality in Harlem, promoting healthy lifestyles in American Indians and focusing on the health of older adults. Many of the research projects are also in specific areas of importance addressing the Healthy People 2010 Objectives. The Prevention Research Centers focus on solutions for under-served communities and promote disease prevention and health promotion strategies among the following population groups: children and youth, older adults and disabled persons; African Americans, Asians, Hispanics, American Indians, and rural populations.

Criteria for Selecting Proposals

1. The degree to which the applicant satisfies the essential requirements and possesses other desired characteristics, such as depth, breadth, and scientific merit of the overall application relative to the types of

research and demonstration projects proposed.

2. Clarity of purpose and overall qualifications, adequacy and appropriateness of personnel to accomplish proposed prevention research projects and demonstration projects and the nation's health priorities and needs.
3. Ability to generalize, translate, and disseminate to state or local health departments, boards of education, and other appropriate national, regional, and local public health agencies and organizations.
4. Reasonableness of the proposed budget in relation to the work proposed.

Headquarters office: Eduardo Simoes, MD, Prevention Research Center Program, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services, 4770 Buford Highway, NE, Mailstop K-45, Atlanta, GA 30341-3724; 770-488-5395.

For more information: <http://www.cdc.gov/prc>.

COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS TO IMPROVE THE HEALTH STATUS OF MINORITY POPULATIONS (93.004)

Office of the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services

Authorization: Public Health Service Act, as amended, Title XVII, Section 1707 (e) (1), 42 USC 300u et seq.

Objectives

- To provide support for activities that can improve the health and quality of life of ethnic minorities, with the objective of reducing the excessive burden and death borne by minority and disadvantaged populations in the United States.

the established due date. Applications not meeting the deadline will be considered late and will be returned to the applicant unread.

Obligations

FY07 \$7,842,317, FY08 est not available, FY09 est not reported.

Range and Average

\$25,000 to \$614,000; \$186,000.

Examples of Funded Projects

- Provide, through the establishment of an American Indian/Alaska Native Research Network, a means by which American Indian and Alaska Native researchers can network, collaborate, and seek support.

Eligibility

Public and private nonprofit entities may apply. Faith-based organizations are eligible to apply.

Credentials/Documentation

Proof of nonprofit status is required as part of the application submission.

Deadlines

To be considered for review, applications must be submitted by

- Educate and increase provider sensitivity about cultural practices and their influence on patient compliance with medication and therapeutic treatment interventions.
- Reduce the prenatal HIV transmission among African American women of child-bearing age and their care providers through health promotion and education.

3. Strength of proposed grant organization's management capability.
4. Adequacy of qualifications, experience, and cultural competence of proposed personnel.
5. Strength of analysis of potential impact or innovation the project proposes to generate.

Headquarters office: Ms. Cynthia H. Amis, Division of Program Operations, Office of Minority Health, 1101 Wootton Pkwy, Ste 600, Rockville, MD 20852; 240-453-8444.

Criteria for Selecting Proposals

1. Consistency of project's goals and objectives with the Office of Minority Health's mission.
2. Coherence and feasibility of methods and activities selected to address the problem as evidence in

ORAL DISEASES AND DISORDERS RESEARCH (93.121)

National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services

Authorization: Public Health Service Act, as amended, Title IV, Section 301, Public Law 78-410; Small Business Research and Development Enhancement Act of 1992, Public Law 102-564.

Objectives

- To obtain improved information on craniofacial-oral-dental health promotion, disease prevention, diagnostics, therapeutics, and fundamental scientific research that fuels the engine of patient-oriented and community-based

clinical or applied research.

Eligibility

Scientists at universities, medical and dental schools, hospitals, laboratories, and other public or private nonprofit and for-profit institutions.

Credentials/Documentation

Applications for grants must show the objectives, methods, and resources for the specific research project and must present the applicant's competence and interest.

Deadlines

February 1, June 1, October 1.

Obligations

FY07 \$288,744,000, FY08 est not available, FY09 est not reported.

Range and Average

\$1,000 to \$5,613,000; \$318,000.

Examples of Funded Projects

- Coordinated studies of periodontal diseases, clinical

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cores, dental caries, oral biology, craniofacial disorders, oral cancer, minority oral health, and materials sciences.

- Genomic sequencing of bacterial oral pathogens.
- Metalloproteinases in developing enamel.
- Genetic basis of ectodermal dysplasia.
- Biofilms, including studies of microbial ecology, physiology, and transmission.

- Prevention and control of infectious diseases including behavioral approaches, antibiotics, and vaccines.

Criteria for Selecting Proposals

1. The scientific merit and general significance of the proposed study and its objectives.
2. Technical adequacy of the experimental design and approach.

3. Competency of the proposed investigator or group to successfully pursue the project.
4. Adequacy of the available proposed facilities and resources.
5. Necessity of the budget components requested in relation to the proposed project.
6. Relevance and importance to the announced program objectives.

Headquarters office: Dr. Ann Sandberg, Division of Extramural Research, National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, MD 20892; 301-594-2419; Ann.Sandberg@nih.gov.

For more information: <http://www.hhs.gov>.