



REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS

Great Plains IDeA-CTR
CTR Superstar Competition

Application Deadline: September 22nd, 2017 (5 pm)

All Information also available online (<https://gpctr.unmc.edu/>)

The Great Plains IDeA-CTR network is excited to announce a funding opportunity. The grant will be awarded at the GP IDeA-CTR Annual Scientific Meeting on October 23rd, 2017. Funding will be awarded to an innovative research project based on criteria delineated below.

The goal is to raise awareness of CTR by promising scholars who are developing innovative tools and methods for medical research. The winning investigator/team will receive a pilot grant award to catalyze cutting-edge research that may translate to a sustainable product or a larger federal grant.

We are requesting a brief research pitch (5 pages maximum) to include: project title, principle investigator(s), participating institution(s), study aims, hypotheses, methods (brief overview of design, study sample, measures, budget and statistical analysis plan), one year deliverables, and a statement addressing how the project advances CTR. In addition, we ask that applicants provide a biosketch for PI and all key personnel.

The winner will receive up to \$20,000 for one year, and access to resources of the GP IDeA-CTR to support these research efforts.

Research pitches will be judged on

- 1) scientific merit
- 2) promise in translating research to innovative tools for CTR
- 3) relevance to CTR and salient topics such as:
 - a) mental and behavioral health
 - b) access to care
 - c) implementation science related to structural health care issues
 - d) integrative health approach-community clinical networking (e.g., schools and clinics)
 - e) diverse focus on urban and rural communities
 - f) social determinants of health
 - g) other topics
- 4) multidisciplinary teams
- 5) inter-institutional partners
- 6) new tools or technologies (e.g. to improve care access to rural and urban isolated or underserved patients)

Eligibility

- Current full time faculty appointment at a participating institution
- Eligible to apply for NIH funds (i.e. US citizen or a permanent resident)
- Project relevant to clinical and translational research
- Must be able to attend and present pitch at CTR Superstar Dinner on October 23rd, 2017 if chosen as a finalist.

Participating Institutions:

- University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC)
- University of Nebraska Omaha (UNO)
- University of Nebraska Lincoln (UNL)
- University of Nebraska Kearney (UNK)
- Boys Town National Research Hospital (BTNRH)
- University of South Dakota (USD)
- University of North Dakota (UND)
- North Dakota State University (NDSU)

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Funds Available: One award of \$20,000, total (directs plus indirect costs for one year).

Application Process:

1. Compile the below application materials and combine into one PDF file
2. On the Great Plains IDeA-CTR REDCap portal (<https://unmcredcap.unmc.edu/redcap/surveys/?s=WFRKWLPYJE>) complete the online “Great Plains IDeA-CTR Face Sheet” and upload the PDF file containing the completed Research Pitch.

Required application materials:

1. Project title
2. Principle investigator(s)
3. Participating institution(s)
4. Study aims, hypotheses, methods (brief overview of design, sample, measures, budget and statistical analysis plan)
5. One year deliverables
6. A statement addressing how the project advances clinical and translational research
7. Lay summary of project, including disease/health relevance
8. Literature cited
9. Budget
 - a. Faculty salary support is not allowed, student/post-doctoral stipend is not allowed but salary/wages are permissible
 - b. Equipment (>\$5,000 per item) purchase is not allowed
 - c. Travel is limited to what is necessary to perform research
10. NIH format Biosketch (download from <https://grants.nih.gov/grants/forms/biosketch.htm>) for PI and other key personnel
11. Appendices will not be accepted

***Pitch is not to exceed five pages (with exception of Biosketch(es) which can be added at end of pdf)**

****All “Required Application Materials” must be included in the pdf or your application will NOT be considered**

Review Process

1. The Administrative Key Component Area (KCA) for the GP IDeA-CTR will review all Research Pitches, using criteria delineated above and the NIH review criteria (*Significance, Investigator(s), Innovation, Approach, Environment*), modified as appropriate for this Pilot grant program.

2. The Administrative KCA will select 5 applications based on above criteria and suggest ranking to CTR Superstar Panel Members.
3. The top 5 applicants will present research proposals to CTR Superstar panel members during the CTR Superstar dinner. The panel will render final award decision based on innovative approach following presentations on the evening of October 23rd, 2017.

Funding

Following final approval, funds will be made available to awardee institution following documentation of all necessary regulatory approvals.

Awardee Requirements:

- 1) Attend Great Plains IDeA CTR Second Annual Meeting
Award recipient will be required to attend the second Annual Scientific Meeting, and present project/results. For awardees outside of the region in which the meeting is held, travel funds will be provided.
- 2) Written Report
Provide written report at end of project detailing progress and addressing deliverables.

Questions

Please direct questions to Pamela Laws, Chief Scientific Administrator, pamela.flaxlaws@unmc.edu.