Native Center for Alcohol Research and Education (NCARE)

Pilot Project Grant Call for Applications

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Partnerships for Native Health

This research is supported by the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism under Award Number P60AA026112
• Our mission is to conduct alcohol intervention research to improve public health in Native communities.

• We accomplish this goal by collaboratively engaging with Research Project teams and the Pilot Projects to conduct research that yields high-quality data while simultaneously meeting the unique needs of our partners.
Pilot Project Grant

• Information from this webinar can be found at:

ireach.wsu.edu/ncare/call-for-applications/
Pilot Project Grant: Purpose

- Fund and foster innovative research projects
- Reduce the burden of alcohol use disorders (AUDs) in American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) communities
- Support/mentor junior investigators
Pilot Project Grant: Eligibility

• To be eligible, applicants must:
  • Plan to conduct research with AI/AN individuals or communities on a topic related to AUDs and their related health conditions
  • Have a doctoral degree in social, behavioral, medicine, nursing or health sciences or a similar field
  • Be a postdoctoral fellow or junior faculty member or similar non-academic position
  • Never been a PI on a National Institutes of Health (NIH) R01 funding OR an
  • Associate professor or those who have received R01s may be considered if they have never conducted alcohol research in Native communities
  • Be up to date with human subject trainings
Pilot Project Grant: Terms of Support

- Proposals may request up to $40,000 in support.
- Must be completed in 1 to 2 years
- Accepted investigators are eligible for support in:
  - Ethics
  - Statistics
  - Data Management
Pilot Project Grant: Review Process

• Two levels of review
  • Letters of Intent (LOIs)
    • Reviewed for scientific merit and programmatic priorities
    • Initial application materials must be submitted for first review by September 30, 2019 at 4:30 PM PST.
  • Full Applications (Invited)
    • Ensures that projects are consistent with NCARE objectives
    • Applicants who are not funded may resubmit during the next call for applications.
    • Invited application materials will be due November 15, 2019.
1. Name of NCARE Investigator who will serve as the liaison on the proposed project

2. List of potential Co-Investigators and community partners who will assist in the completion of the project

3. Intended community, tribe, or setting of the proposed project

4. 500-word abstract including:
   1. Background
   2. Specific Aims
   3. Methods and Data Analysis Plan

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Pilot Project Grant: Full Proposal Content

1. Project Abstract (30 lines)
2. Facilities Page
3. Budget Justification
4. Detailed Budget- PHS398
5. Biosketches
6. Specific Aims (1 page)
7. Research Strategy (6 pages)
8. Protection of Human Subjects
9. Bibliography/ Literature Cited
10. Letter of Support from Tribal Partner
11. Letter of Support from NCARE Liaison

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1. The maximum award is $40,000 per project, direct costs.

2. Maximum PI effort is 15% full time effort FTE.

3. In general, costs such as rent or computer purchase are discouraged.

4. One trip to a scientific conference will be allowed to disseminate the results of the study.

5. Rare exceptions to the above may be made; please contact us.
Pilot Project Grant: Review Criteria

- Scoring criteria:
  - Relevance to AUD research and implications for AI/AN health disparities
  - Significance
  - Innovation
  - Qualifications of research team
  - Scientific rigor
  - Ability to disseminate findings
  - Likelihood of resulting in additional research funding
Pilot Project Grant: Review Criteria

• Additional considerations will include:
  • Assurance that the project can be completed in 1 or 2 years with available resources
  • Compliance with NIH and FDA guidelines
  • Compatibility with priorities, goals, and interests of NCARE and NIAAA
Pilot Project Grant: Important Dates

• **Letter of Intent and Initial Grant Registration** should be emailed as PDFs no later than **September 30, 2019**, to NCAREPilotApplication@portal.wsuccecr.org

• **Invited applications** will be due **November 15, 2019**.
Current Funded Projects

Exploring alcohol use and pregnancy among American Indian and Alaska Native women

Real-time breathalyzer monitoring and contingency management for alcohol use in American Indian women

Pathways to recovery among urban Alaska Native and American Indian people with long-term abstinence from alcohol

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• A recording of this webinar, as well as a copy of the slides presented, will be available on the NCARE website.

• These resources will be posted here: ireach.wsu.edu/ncare/category/webinars/