Dear Colleague,

The Office of the Provost and the Office of the Vice President for Research and Graduate Studies requests new proposals for the Research in Autism, Intellectual and other Neurodevelopmental Disabilities (RAIND) initiative.

This competitive grant program is designed to support projects in key areas of research, scholarship, and creative activities, including – but not limited to – the following five broad research themes:

1. Lifespan Developmental Issues
2. Evidence-based Assessment and Diagnosis
3. Evidence-based Treatment and Interventions
4. Epidemiology & Prevention
5. Family, Societal, and Environmental Issues

Detailed descriptions of the types of research that might be pursued under each theme are identified at http://autism.research.msu.edu/about/.

To submit a proposal, please email the following items to kankulaa@msu.edu no later than 5:00 pm on Monday, August 15, 2016:

- Application Form
- Project description – limited to five pages
- Vita for each investigator – limited to two pages each
- Executive summary
- Budget

Awards will be made with the expectation that this funding will prepare recipients to be nationally competitive for external funding from agencies and foundations, and the funded projects will promote national and international recognition of the faculty members and the university.

All awards are for one year and will require a description of the specific roles of all Principal Investigators in the project. Funding will be available on October 1, 2016.

Three (3) $50,000 awards with the target recipients being PIs not yet funded through RAIND. This does not exclude previously funded collaborators as Co-PIs on these proposals. At least two (2) PIs from different departments/colleges are required for application, additional PIs from different departments/colleges will be viewed positively.

All questions should be directed to Angie Kankula at kankulaa@msu.edu or (517) 884-8666.

Sincerely,

Angie Kankula, RAIND Coordinator