Are you Developing an Implementation Science Proposal and Plan to Submit by October or November (for Resubmission Proposals) 2017 for Federal Funding?

Research Support:
Call for Implementation Science Proposal Writing Teams

Deadline:
May 15, 2017 by 5:00pm
Funding decisions announced June 1st

PROPOSAL ANNOUNCEMENT

The Sparrow/MSU Center for Innovation and Research (CFIR) is interested in funding strong research teams to develop and submit research proposals to federal funding agencies, such as NIH, NSF, AHRQ, RJW, etc. The proposals must address implementation science research projects that will be implemented within Sparrow Health System. Implementation research “is the scientific study of the use of strategies to adopt and integrate evidence-based health interventions into clinical and community settings in order to improve patient outcomes and benefit population health.”

1. Processes, Systems, and Technology to Improve Patient Satisfaction and Engagement
2. Transitions of Care across the Care Continuum (e.g., from Acute to Post-Acute Care Settings to a Return Home)
3. End of Life Care Decisions: How to Change Culture and Impact a Community
4. Bringing Care to Patients Rather than Bringing Patients to Care
5. Safe and Effective Ways to Monitor Patients
6. Improving Behavioral Health Across the Community

The team must have at least one member with federal level funding success and at least one ACTIVE and ENGAGED team member from SHS and one from MSU. Teams will be provided funding and resources from June 1 through September 30 of 2017 to prepare for a submission no later than October (November for resubmissions) 2017. If funded, teams will receive half of the funds upfront and the remaining funds upon submission. Teams must check-in monthly to report on proposal and submission status. Teams are also required to show evidence that the intervention works in at least one setting but is innovation to Sparrow. The project must be implemented within some aspect of the Sparrow Health System.
**Letter of Intent (2-3 pages max in length) must contain:**

Reviewed for Relevance to Mission and Vision and Priority Areas

1. Proposal purpose and aims
2. Proposal’s relevance to the Mission and Vision of the Center for Innovation and Research
3. Proposal’s relevance to Sparrow Health System
4. Agency and Funding Opportunity Announcement to which you plan to submit and expected size of grant budget (**R03s are excluded from this call**)
5. Detailed timeline of proposal writing and submission
6. Prior funding success and if/how prior funding relates to proposal being developed

**Letter of Intent must contain (not included in the 2-3 pages max length):**

1. Cover Page with names of team members with PI contact information, departments/units, and affiliations (clearly indicate which team members are from MSU and which are from Sparrow)
2. Statement of work
3. Resources, including cost estimates, to develop the proposal and submit it by October (November for resubmission) 2017
4. Budget justification of resources
5. Team members’ biographical sketches

Budgets will typically be less than $50,000; however, higher budgets and longer timelines may be approved for exceptionally innovative and experienced teams with a strong track record of external funding.

**Examples of, but not limited to, FOAs to which teams may submit:**

1. **FOA:** PAR-16-238  
   **Title:** Dissemination and Implementation Research in Health (R01)  
   **Link:** [https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-16-238.html](https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-16-238.html)  
   **Agency:** National Institutes of Health

2. **FOA:** PA-14-291  
   **Title:** AHRQ Health Services Research Projects (R01)  
   **Agency:** Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ)

**Please electronically submit Letters of Intent to:** Sharon.Baer@Sparrow.org

**Receipt of all documents will be confirmed via e-mail.** If no response has been received within two business days after the deadline, send an e-mail to: Sharon.Baer@Sparrow.org or call 517-364-5730.

- **Documents that are incomplete or not prepared per the instructions will not be reviewed and will be returned.**

**Letters of Intent will be accepted on a rolling basis, but no later than May 15, 2017 by 5:00 p.m.**  
The Center for Innovation and Research will review the Letters of Intent and make selections for funding by **May 30, 2017 for a June 1, 2017 announcement date.**

**Letters of Intent must be submitted electronically in WORD or PDF format.**  
For more information or questions, please contact  
The Center for Innovation and Research by email at:  
Sharon.Baer@Sparrow.Org or by calling 517-364-5730.

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References