UCSF May Submit 1 Application to each RFA

Internal Deadline: 11:59 PM, Monday, May 23rd, 2022

PLEASE FORWARD THIS ANNOUNCEMENT TO ALL APPROPRIATE FACULTY AND RESEARCH ADMINISTRATORS

WHAT: NIH NICHD Maternal-Fetal Medicine Units (MFMU) Network:

PURPOSE:
- To improve obstetric care, pregnancy health, and outcomes for pregnant and lactating people and their babies.
- To implement multi-site obstetric clinical trials and observational studies in pregnant and lactating people, providing evidence to guide obstetrics, obstetric pharmacology, and lactation clinical practice. Study designs may include, but are not limited to: investigational new drug or device, comparative effectiveness, and management trials; biomarker validation studies that are immediately preparatory to trials; and observational studies. Studies may assess both short-term (clinical) and long-term maternal and infant/child outcomes.
- **Clinical Centers**: To develop and implement Network protocols even those approved, but proposed by non-Network investigators, including recruiting study participants, implementing study interventions, conducting required follow-up examinations, and working together to publish study results. Clinical Centers may also be able to engage in training opportunities.
- **Data Coordinating Center**: To develop, implement, and analyze results for Network protocols, especially providing biostatistical expertise, computer programming, and project management to design protocols, develop statistical analysis plans, develop data management systems, manage study funds, monitor data integrity and study safety, and work with study investigators to analyze and publish study results.

ELIGIBILITY:
- Any individual(s) with the skills, knowledge, and resources necessary to carry out the proposed research as the Program Director(s)/Principal Investigator(s) (PD(s)/PI(s)) is invited to work with his/her organization to develop an application for support. Individuals from underrepresented racial and ethnic groups as well as individuals with disabilities are always encouraged to apply.

BUDGET AND PROJECT PERIOD:
- Award Budget:
  - **Clinical Centers**: up to $220,000 direct costs per year
  - **Data Coordinating Center**: Application budgets are not limited but need to reflect the actual needs of the proposed project. NIH intends to commit an estimated total of $3,950,000 for the base budget to fund one award for fiscal year 2023. Future year amounts will depend on funding availability.
  - UCSF indirect cost policy will apply except for non-federal entities.
• Project Period: up to 7 years

**NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS UCSF MAY SUBMIT:** 1

**APPLICATION TYPES ALLOWED:** New, Renewal

**DUE DATES:**
- **Internal:** 11:59 PM, Monday, May 23rd, 2022. If multiple groups submit an LOI, an additional pre-application will be due Wednesday, June 1st, 2022.
- PIs submit directly to the LSP; RMS does not get involved unless and until you are nominated.
- Sponsor: Thursday, August 11th, 2022.

Submit the attached Letter of Intent (LOI) by **11:59 PM, May 23rd**, to: limitedsubmissions@ucsf.edu

*To qualify for UCSF Limited Submission Program opportunities, applicants must have a paid UCSF appointment either at the time of application or anticipated by the time of award.*

*The LSP is a selection process, not an award process. As the LSP is under significant time constraints, all reviewer feedback is optional. We encourage you to seek other avenues for proposal feedback.*

*For information on all current LSOs, please visit:* [http://rdo.ucsf.edu/limited-submission-program-lsp](http://rdo.ucsf.edu/limited-submission-program-lsp)

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