





# CTSI/CDI Children's Health Team Science Award

Letter of Intent Due Date: February 10, 2015 (Finalists for full applications notified by March 6, 2015)

Application Due Date: May 1, 2015, 5 pm PST Funding Period July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2016

Funding Amount: Up to \$100,000/year for one year to support salary, benefits and research supplies

Online Application: https://rfp.ctsi.ucla.edu/Awards/chtsa-loi

The UCLA Clinical and Translational Science Institute (CTSI) and the UCLA Children's Discovery and Innovation Institute (CDI) are pleased to announce the CTSI/CDI Children's Health Team Science Award for research teams from UCLA and CTSI partner institutions (Cedars-Sinai, Charles Drew University, LA-Biomed) and CTSI-affiliated institutions (RAND, Olive View UCLA Medical Center, Santa Monica UCLA Medical Center, VA Greater Los Angeles Healthcare System) to conduct novel, multidisciplinary, team-oriented and high-impact research in Children's Health. The team-oriented approach is essential to the feasibility and potential success of the proposal. Applicants are encouraged to follow NIH-style grant guidelines and scientific review criteria for their research proposals. Teams are expected to generate data that will lead not only to academic products but also to the submission of high-quality R01-level or P01-level proposals to public agencies or private foundations.

The CTSI/CDI Children's Health Team Science Award will support four initial CDI research themes, intended to be broadly and inclusively interpreted, to help investigators develop forums for this multidisciplinary work. Each team should have a central focus on a related set of clinical disorders related to these research themes.

- Brain, Behavior, and Development
- Cancer and Regeneration
- Infection, Inflammation, and Immunity
- Nutrition, Metabolism, and Growth

### **Specific Requirements:**

- The research team must be led by a Principal Investigator (PI) who is full-time faculty at UCLA or CTSI partner
  or affiliate institution with a proven track record of high-impact research and productivity and leadership in the
  research theme.
- Principal Investigators and Co-Investigators must have a strong track record of collaboration among the participating team members.
- Proposal must not overlap with current NIH-funded program projects in which team members participate.

#### Letter of Intent (LOI):

NOTE: This is a competitive LOI process requiring submission of the following information (3 page max):

- Descriptive title of proposed research and the primary CDI research theme addressed
- Summary of the proposed research project and the study team's credentials, and an estimated total budget.
- Name, degree(s), address, and telephone number of the Principal Investigator
- Names and affiliations of other key personnel and participating institutions
- Submit LOI online at: <a href="https://rfp.ctsi.ucla.edu/Awards/chtsa-loi">https://rfp.ctsi.ucla.edu/Awards/chtsa-loi</a> by February 10, 2015

#### **Full Application:**

- Standard NIH-style research plan (including specific aims, significance, innovation, and approach).

  Applications (Research Plan) should be no longer than 12 pages single-spaced, Arial font 11, 0.5" margins.
- Standard NIH-style Biosketches and Other Support pages (note: two separate forms).
- Standard NIH-style budget and budget justifications. There is no indirect cost rate the entire budget may be allocated for direct costs.

## **Additional Requirements:**

- Grantees must provide their NIH Commons ID and, if applicable, their regulatory approvals (eg. IRB and/or IACUC and ESCRO numbers) listing both CTSI and CDI funding support, before funds will be released.
- Periodic project progress reports will be required; template/instructions will be provided.
- Grantees are expected to present research findings at CTSI/CDI sponsored events as well as participate in CTSI and CDI events (i.e., annual CTSI retreat, annual CDI research symposium and seminar series).
- On all relevant presentations and publications, awardees must include an acknowledgment of support to read
  "Research was supported by the Clinical and Translational Science Institute (NIH) and the UCLA Children's
  Discovery and Innovation Institute" (logos will be provided).

Any questions related to submitting an LOI and application for this RFA, please address to: Dion Baybridge (310) 794-7374

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