STANFORD MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH RESEARCH INSTITUTE

Faculty Scholar Award Policy

A) GENERAL
MCHRI Faculty Scholar Awards support mid- to late- Assistant, or early Associate Professors appointed as Non-Tenure Line, Research (NTLR), University Tenure Line (UTL) or Medical Center Line (MCL) Faculty as follows:

• $100,000 per year for up to 5 years;
• Use the resources first for their remuneration and benefits and second to support research costs such that there shall be demonstrable, significant and meritorious scholarship/research activities related to innovation in maternal or child health.

B) GENERAL ELIGIBILITY
To be eligible for the award, the applicant must meet all of the following criteria:

• Hold a NTLR, UTL or MCL faculty appointment within the School of Medicine
• Be a member of MCHRI. Visit here to apply for MCHRI Membership.
• Have a track record of focusing the majority of their research on maternal or child health;

C) LETTER OF INTENT DEADLINE: Monday, March 11, 2019 @ 5:00 pm
*Submit your letter of intent (LOI) to the following link: ONLINE APPLICATION LINK, per the application instructions. You do not need to submit your LOI via your RPM.

Complete letter of intent guidelines here.

D) FULL PROPOSAL (by invitation) DEADLINE: Saturday, June 1, 2019 @ 5:00 pm

Notification of selected LOIs will be in early April 2019.

Earliest project start date is September 1, 2019. Project start date no later than December 1, 2019. Awards will be announced in July 2019.

E) TYPE OF RESEARCH: Relevance to Maternal and Child Health
Research must be primarily related to maternal or child health. These terms refer to the expectant mother, oocyte, zygote, embryo, fetus, infant, child and adolescent. All areas of research are eligible: basic, translational, clinical research, epidemiology/statistics, informatics, health services, or health policy.

F) NOMINATION
If invited to submit a full proposal, applicants will need to be nominated by the Clinical Department Chair* wherein they hold their primary School of Medicine academic appointment. The Chair’s nominating letter will:
• Confirm eligibility
• Enumerate the nominee’s current time commitment to clinical, education, research, and administration, and the time commitment to these activities if named a MCHRI Faculty Scholar.

*If the Chair serves on the Faculty & Harman Scholar adjudication committee (MCHRI Executive Committee), the applicant will be nominated by their Division Chief.

G) INTERNAL APPLICATION GUIDELINES

If invited to submit full proposal, please submit one PDF file containing the following (in the order listed below) to chri_admin@stanford.edu by Saturday, June 1, 2019 @ 5:00 pm

1) Cover Page
   Please use provided MCHRI Faculty/Harman Scholar Application Form. List the name of the Scholar program in the top right corner of the form.

2) Letter of Nomination
   printed on your department’s letterhead and signed by your Clinical Department Chair, including the elements detailed above

3) Research Proposal
   (maximum of 4 pages of text and no more than 5 additional pages of attachments including references or appendices. Use Arial 11 font or larger and place the applicant's name on every page along with the page number)

   The proposal should contain a concise description of the project aims, hypothesis, background, preliminary studies, study design, methods, analysis plan and potential pitfalls. The budget should be included using the provided budget template. For human-based studies, consultation with the Quantitative Sciences Unit (QSU) is highly recommended at least two months prior to the submission deadline.

4) A Statement that:
   • in abstracts, presentations, publications, grants, press releases and inventions arising from this support they will indicate, when possible, that they are a Stanford Maternal and Child Health Research Institute Faculty Scholar
   • they will use the award title as a part of their formal signature block, e.g.: NAME
     < > Endowed Faculty Scholar
     Stanford Maternal and Child Health Research Institute
   • they will comply with all reporting requirements both during and following the completion of this award

5) NIH Biosketch and Other Support Page

H) SELECTION PROCESS

Proposals will be reviewed by the MCHRI Faculty Scholars Review Panel. After adjudication, the Director will recommend the selected applicant to the MCHRI Governing Board for their approval. The Governing Board will be provided with the rationale for the appointment and the relevance to maternal or child health. Priority will be given to nominees at a critical juncture in their career development, such as those in the interval between NIH K and R grant funding.
I) TERM OF APPOINTMENT

All appointments are term limited for a single term of up to 5 years. The MCHRI Faculty Scholar recipients will be required to submit a progress report, a financial status report and any changes in their role and effort allocation in the School of Medicine on an annual basis prior to release of funding for each subsequent year during the term. Should there be a change in their role that significantly alters their ability to carry out their responsibilities as an MCHRI Faculty Scholar the award will be forfeited prior to the completion of the term. However, if there have been unusual occurrences then the awardee may request a deferral or leave of absence from the award; this request will be adjudicated by the Director of the MCHRI.

- During the final year of the award, the MCHRI Faculty Scholar holder will be asked to provide a dossier including a CV and report describing accomplishments achieved during the tenure of the award.
- MCHRI Faculty Scholars will be expected to present their work at MCHRI educational events (seminars, symposiums) and serve on the Education and/or Faculty Scholar adjudication committees for the duration of their term, and thereafter while they are at Stanford.

Unless specified by the philanthropic gift agreement, the endowment for an MCHRI Faculty Scholar does not "belong" to any specific Department or Division, but instead rests within the MCHRI and is used in a manner that optimizes the use of these resources for innovation in maternal or child health.