**Grant and Postdoctoral Support -Internal Stanford funding opportunity in Maternal Child Health **

**Stanford Child Health Research Institute (CHRI) Grant and Postdoctoral Support Program**

The Stanford Child Health Research Institute (CHRI) Grant and Postdoctoral Support funds innovative maternal and child health-focused clinical and translational research in the following categories:

**Category I:** Pilot Early Career ($35K)
**Category II:** New Ideas for Mid/Senior Investigators ($35K)
**Category III:** Bridge Funding *(RFA coming November 2017 for January 2018 deadline)*
**Category IV:** Postdoctoral Fellows ($55K/year, up to two years)

All projects must be significantly related to the health of expectant mothers and children. The applicant must be a pediatrician, obstetrician, a child health subspecialist, or scientist who has a focus on, or plans to focus on, child health research.

**Note:** Clinical fellows (MD or equivalent) training in a clinical fellowship program should not apply through this mechanism.

Complete application and guidelines [here](#).

**DEADLINE:** Monday, October 2, 2017 @ 5:00 pm

*Submit your proposals to the following link: ONLINE APPLICATION LINK, per the application instructions. You do not need to submit your applications via your RPM.*

**TIMELINE**

Awards will be announced in December 2017. Earliest award start date is January 1, 2018. The performance period is 12 months for categories I and II and up to two years for category IV.

**GENERAL ELIGIBILITY**

- All applicants must have, or plan on, having a focus on maternal child health research.
- All applicants must be a CHRI Member, or his/her Primary Research Mentor must be a CHRI Member.
- A Primary Research Mentor must be identified for instructors, assistant professors, and postdoctoral fellows.
- All applicants must have legal residence in the United States (Applicants with H or J visas are eligible).
- The following are not eligible:
  - Clinician Educators (CEs).
  - Visiting scholars to Stanford
  - Senior Research Scientists, Research Associates/Assistants
  - Former recipients of CHRI/PRF/LPFCH-sponsored awards who have not complied with award/reporting requirements. Mentor or applicants who have overdraft(s) in previous awards that are not cleared prior to applying are not eligible.

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1 “Children” or “Child” refers to expectant mothers, oocyte, zygote, embryo, fetus, infant, child, and/or adolescent.
Eligibility summary

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Types of Research

Research must be primarily related to maternal child health. Child refers 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.

I. Pilot Early Career Investigators

*Eligibility: Instructors and Assistant Professors only*

The Pilot Early Career category provides both PI salary and non-salary support for hypothesis-driven or hypothesis-seeking research that could lead to research that is externally fundable as a result of the proposed study. The study must be a pilot, concept, development, or feasibility proposal. This category is intended to help early-career applicants become independent researchers by facilitating projects that will produce the data needed for applications to external funding agencies.

II. New Ideas for Mid/Senior Investigators

*Eligibility: Associate Professors and Professors only*

The New Ideas category provides non-salary support for high-impact, high-risk projects proposed by mid to senior investigators. Projects must be novel to the field (i.e., not previously described in literature) and not a continuation or expansion of the investigator’s currently funded or unfunded research. The grant is intended to facilitate projects which are highly innovative and, if successful, will facilitate novel directions in research that is fundable by external funding agencies.

III. Bridge Funding

The Bridge Funding category is currently under modification. The new program announcement will be released in November 2017 for January 2018 submission deadline.

IV. Postdoctoral Fellows

*Eligibility: Postdoctoral fellows only.*

This category provides salary-only support for postdoctoral fellows for up to two years (non-competitive renewal) in support of a specific project related to maternal and/or child health. Medical fellows (MD or equivalent) training in a clinical fellowship program should not apply through this mechanism.

- Eligibility is limited to first through third year postdoctoral fellows (*applicant must be in their first through third year at time of application*).
- Priority is given to applicants in the first and second year of postdoctoral training at Stanford.
- Third year applicants are eligible to apply for up to 1.5 years of funding to support the remainder of their third year, and through their fourth year.
• Third year applicants must justify how this funding will help their career path. e.g. facilitate a change into a new field, etc.
• Funding for year two is not guaranteed and subject to review of progress and career plans.
• Applicants who completed a first post-doctoral fellowship at an institution not affiliated with Stanford University and wish to pursue a second post-doctoral fellowship at Stanford University in a scientific area different from their first post-doctoral fellowship are eligible.
• Fifth year postdocs and above are not eligible.

The postdoc’s primary research mentor must be a CHRI Member and one of the following:

• MD, MD/PhD, or PhD whose primary focus is maternal and/or child health research.
• MD, MD/PhD, or PhD who wishes to expand his/her interest in maternal and/or child health research.

**Bonus Incentive**
CHRI highly encourages applicants to apply for external funding (outside of Stanford) which allows concurrent and supplementary salary funding by CHRI. If the applicant is successful in obtaining external salary funding, an incentive ‘bonus’ of **up to $7,500** will be awarded to the applicant, to be used for any non-salary purpose at the discretion of the primary research mentor. To be eligible, the applicant must provide documentation of successful external funding at time of CHRI application or no later than one month prior to CHRI award start date. The CHRI salary amount will be reduced depending on the external award amount and requirements. The amount of the incentive ‘bonus’ will be awarded as follows:

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Funding for awardees requesting a year 2 Non-Competitive Renewal will be contingent upon the progress report. **The incentive bonus policy and external application eligibility applies only in year 1.** Funding level is contingent upon availability of funds.

**Questions? Contact:** CHRI Administration (chri_admin@stanford.edu, 650-724-6891)