

****Pilot Grants -Internal Stanford funding opportunity in Maternal Child Health ****

Stanford Maternal and Child Health Research Institute (MCHRI) Pilot Grants Program

The Stanford Maternal and Child Health Research Institute (MCHRI) Pilot Grants 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)

All projects must be *significantly* related to the health of expectant mothers and children. The applicant can be any practitioner or scientist who has a focus on maternal or child health research.

Complete application and guidelines [here](#).

DEADLINE: Thursday, October 1, 2020 @ 5:00 pm (no late applications will be accepted)

*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 2020. Award start date is January 1, 2021. The performance period is 12 months for both categories.

GENERAL ELIGIBILITY

- All applicants must have, or plan on, having a focus on maternal child¹ health research.
- All applicants and their mentors must be [MCHRI Members](#).
- A *Primary Research Mentor* must be identified for instructors or assistant professors.
- All applicants must continue to be appointed at the Instructor rank or above for the duration of the award, including any extensions.
- The following are not eligible:
 - Clinician Educators (CEs). ([See Clinician Educator Grants Program](#))
 - Visiting scholars to Stanford
 - Senior Research Scientists, Research Associates/Assistants
 - Former recipients of MCHRI/PRF/LPFCH-sponsored awards who have not complied with award/reporting requirements.
 - Mentor or applicants who have not cleared overdraft(s) in previous MCHRI awards prior to applying.

Eligibility summary

	Instructor	Asst. Prof.	Assoc. Prof.	Professor
<i>Early Career</i>	•	•		
<i>New Idea</i>			•	•

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. This mechanism is not intended for trainees.

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.

Please see our website for latest updates to our [policies](#) including the updated IRB and resubmission policies.

We advise all applicants to notify their division or finance managers prior to submitting their application.

Questions? Contact: MCHRI Administration (mchri_admin@stanford.edu, 650-724-0279)