

## Limited Submission Funding Opportunities – updated 1/22/21

Please be aware that any grant that brings in less than 15% in indirect costs (IDC) will need to be supplemented up to the 15% equivalent by existing investigator or departmental sundry funds. Resolution of this issue must occur prior to submitting a proposal. Training fellowships from foundations, public charity, and non-profit organizations are excluded from this minimum IDC requirement.

For MGH investigators selected through a competitive process as the institutional nominee for any limited submission funding opportunities, in situations in which the grant will bring in less than 15% indirect cost (IDC), ECOR will cover the IDC gap up to a maximum of \$50,000 per year. In order to optimize the distribution of limited ECOR funds across the MGH research community, it is expected that PIs and departments will work together to cover the remaining IDC shortfall.

This policy is only effective for those limited submission opportunities in which MGH is invited to submit its own nominee(s). This policy does not apply for those limited submission opportunities in which the MGH investigator must apply through HMS.

For further questions, please contact ECOR at [ecor@mgh.harvard.edu](mailto:ecor@mgh.harvard.edu)

We ask that all MGH Investigators interested in applying for any limited submission award submit a Letter of Intent (see detailed instructions below) to the MGH Executive Committee on Research (ECOR) by the deadline indicated for each award to be considered to receive an institutional nomination.

### Process

Submit a one- to two-page Letter of Intent (LOI) to the MGH Executive Committee on Research (ECOR) via email to [ecor@mgh.harvard.edu](mailto:ecor@mgh.harvard.edu). In addition to your LOI, please include an NIH Biosketch.

The letter of intent should include:

1. Name of the Principal Investigator with appropriate contact information
2. A descriptive title of the potential application
3. Brief description of the project
4. Brief description of why you specifically should be selected to receive institutional nomination for this award

In the event that there is more than one MGH investigator interested in applying for a limited submission award, the LOIs will be used to assess candidates and a review and selection process will take place.

If there is a limited submission funding opportunity you do not see listed below or you have any additional questions, please let us know at [ecor@mgh.harvard.edu](mailto:ecor@mgh.harvard.edu).

### CURRENT OPPORTUNITIES

#### 1. Using Innovative Intervention Strategies to Improve Health Outcomes among People with HIV – Coordinating Center

<https://www.hrsa.gov/grants/find-funding/hrsa-21-076>

**MGH LOI Deadline: 2/01/21**

Sponsor Application Deadline: 3/08/21

This notice announces the opportunity to apply for fiscal year 2021 (FY21) Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) Special Projects of National Significance (SPNS) Program funding for the initiative *Using Innovative Intervention Strategies to Improve Health Outcomes among People with HIV – Coordinating Center*. The purpose of this initiative is to use an implementation science framework to identify innovative intervention strategies in four (4) focus areas, pilot test the intervention strategies at

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subawarded sites and provide technical assistance (TA), and develop replication tools and products. HRSA will provide funding in the form of a cooperative agreement to support one (1) organization for up to four (4) years to serve as the Innovative Intervention Strategies Coordinating Center for Technical Assistance (2iS CCTA). The 2iS CCTA will solicit and subaward up to 20 Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program (RWHAP)-funded recipients/subrecipients (approximately five sites per focus area) to serve as implementation sites where one (1) intervention strategy per site will be piloted. The piloted intervention strategies will be evaluated through the companion funding opportunity announcement titled *Using Innovative Intervention Strategies to Improve Health Outcomes among People with HIV – Evaluation Center* (2iS EC; HRSA- 21-068). Ultimately, the 2iS EC's evaluation findings will determine dissemination plans for the replication tools developed by the 2iS CCTA. Please review this companion announcement for more information about the role of the 2iS EC.

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### 3. Improving Epilepsy Education, Systems of Care, and Health Outcomes through National and Community Partnerships – NEW!

<https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppld=328415>

**MGH LOI Deadline: 2/09/21**

Sponsor LOI Deadline: 3/08/21

Sponsor Application Deadline: 4/12/21

This NOFO aims to address four key areas:

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1. Improve the social environment for people with epilepsy; [SEP]
2. Strengthen the health system to improve epilepsy care; [SEP]
3. Foster connections between clinical services and community programs; and [SEP]

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4. Address social determinants of health (e.g. social isolation, food insecurity, community-<sup>[[SEP]]</sup>clinical linkages) to improve quality of life for people with epilepsy.<sup>[[SEP]]</sup>

The NOFO will fund two components:

Component A: an organization that will provide services in at least 25 states. The organization funded to complete Component A strategies will address all of the NOFO content areas.

Component B: 1-3 organizations to work in specific geographic areas (e.g. community, state, region).

The organization(s) funded to complete Component B strategies will address one to two content areas through activities.

### 4. Mentored Research Experiences for Genetic Counselors (R25)

<https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-21-074.html>

**MGH LOI Deadline: 3/02/21**

NIH LOI Deadline: 4/25/21

NIH Application Deadline: 5/25/21

The NIH Research Education Program (R25) supports research education activities in the mission areas of the NIH. The overarching goal of this NHGRI R25 program is to help recruit individuals with specific specialty or disciplinary backgrounds to research careers in biomedical, behavioral and clinical sciences.

To accomplish the stated over-arching goal, this funding opportunity announcement (FOA) will support innovative educational activities with a primary focus on **Research Experiences**.

### 5. Research Experience in Genomic Research for Data Scientists (R25)

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The NIH Research Education Program (R25) supports research education activities in the mission areas of the NIH. The overarching goal of this NHGRI R25 program is to support educational activities that encourage individuals from diverse backgrounds, including those from groups underrepresented in the biomedical and behavioral sciences, to pursue further studies or careers in research.

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### 6. Tuberculosis Research Advancement Centers (P30 Clinical Trials Not Allowed)

<https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-AI-21-001.html>

**MGH LOI Deadline: 4/12/21**

NIH LOI Deadline: 5/15/21

NIH Application Deadline: 6/15/21

The purpose of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to solicit meritorious applications for the Tuberculosis Research Advancement Centers (TRACs) program. The main goal of these centers is to provide administrative and shared research support to foster and elevate multidisciplinary tuberculosis

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(TB) research and provide exceptional mentorship to New Investigators. TRACs will provide core facilities, services and mentoring opportunities to achieve the goals of the program.

### 7. New Chemistries for Un-drugged Targets through A Specialized Platform for Innovative Research Exploration (ASPIRE) Collaborative Research Program (UG3/UH3 Clinical Trials Not Allowed)

<https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-TR-21-001.html>

**MGH LOI Deadline: 5/04/21**

NIH LOI Deadline: 6/08/21

NIH Application Deadline: 7/08/21

The purpose of the ASPIRE Collaborative Research Program is to facilitate translational and clinical research between NCATS intramural scientists and the extramural community to develop approaches that will enhance the ability to discover and develop new chemistries towards previously undrugged biological targets (i.e., biological targets with no known drugs to modulate their function) across many human diseases and conditions. NCATS intramural scientists have established an integrated NCATS ASPIRE platform consisting of physical and virtual modules for automated synthetic chemistry, artificial intelligence (AI) and machine learning (ML), engineering, informatics, and biological testing. The FOA will support intramural - extramural collaborations to develop additional physical modules that will enhance the platform's capabilities. The anticipated outcome includes identification, design, synthesis, and validation of new chemical entities as starting points for drug development of novel targets, and the expansion of chemical space available for drug screening.