1. Join the webinar:
   • [https://zoom.us/j/298238656](https://zoom.us/j/298238656)
     Meeting ID: 298 238 656

2. Join the conference call:
   • Call-in number for audio access: 646-568-7788
   • Meeting ID: 298 238 656
Important Dates

- 01/11/2016: RFA Release Date
- 03/16/2016: Applicants’ Webinar/Conference Call (optional)
- 04/15/2016: Mandatory Intent to Apply Form Deadline
- 05/27/2016: Application Submission Deadline
- 08/01/2016: Tentative Notification of Award
- 09/01/2016: Tentative Award Start Date
- 08/31/2017: Tentative Award End Date
Goals of the Pilot Grant Program

- Support pilot studies that will strengthen community-academic relationships and produce preliminary data for future competitive grant applications.

- Build capacity in community-academic partnerships to conduct translational (T3/T4) research using community-based participatory research (CBPR) principles to translate established efficacy into effective implementation at the community or clinic level.

- Address health disparities related to: (1) childhood chronic conditions, (2) social-emotional health; or (3) cardiovascular disease (*applications addressing hypertension are strongly encouraged*).
The Community Engagement Core expects to award up to $120,000 to fund Joint Pilot projects.

The expectation is that previous Partnership Development Projects are applying for this round of Joint Pilot projects (second year of funding) for up to $30,000.

Applicants may submit for either Partnership Development (Round 8 PD has passed) or Joint Pilot, but not both.
**Partnership Development**

- Intended to support new or potential partnerships.
- Hopeful two-year commitment: the first year of funding is dedicated to relationship building, exploration of shared areas of interest, creation of a partnership structure, identification of a specific research collaboration, and the development of a research project for a one-year Joint Pilot Project. The second year of funding (pending an acceptable Joint Pilot Project application) will be dedicated to implementing the proposed research project.
- Partnerships may request up to **$10,000 in year one and up to $30,000 in year two.** (Total budget, per project, for community and academic partners combined.)
- Applicants must allocate a minimum of fifty percent (50%) of requested funds to the community partner.

**Joint Pilot Project**

- Intended to support experienced researchers or junior investigators (who demonstrate appropriate mentorship) who have an **established community-academic partnership** in place and seek funds for a well-defined joint research project that produces preliminary data for future competitive grant applications.
- Pilot Projects must be completed within one year and an extramural grant submission submitted at that time.
- Ideally, collaborative proposals will be based upon partnerships that have demonstrated working success in the past.
- Applicants for Joint Pilot Projects may request up to **$30,000.** (Total budget, per project, for community and academic partners combined.)
- Applicants must allocate a minimum of fifty percent (50%) of requested project funds to the community partner.
Data collection and/or analysis of community-specific information or other quantitative and qualitative data.

Disseminating and translating research findings (e.g., development and implementation of appropriate dissemination tools, such as, fact sheets and policy briefs, to community and academic audiences and to policy-makers).

Studies of the community translation process, including dissemination methods.
Projects we will **not** fund...

- Projects designed to demonstrate that a health disparity exists (we want projects focused on reducing health disparities or designed to understand how to decrease health disparities).

- Projects with NO community engagement.

- Projects outside of the Rocky Mountain Region.

- We will not fund project/program development or implementation.

- Renewals or continuation funding requests from previously-funded Partnership Development or Joint Pilot Projects will **not** be considered.
Eligibility Requirements

- All projects must have a community partner and an academic partner identified at the time the application is submitted. Either is eligible to serve as the Principle Investigator.

- **Academic Researchers**: Researchers who are housed at or working on behalf of the University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus or any CCTSI Affiliate Organization Researchers who are employed at other institutions of higher education may also be considered “academic researchers” for the purposes of this grant program.

- **Community Researchers**: Researchers or other professionals who work primarily in community-based organizations, state or local government, faith-based organizations, community health clinics, private practice, etc. Community researchers also may be independent contractors who are not attached to any one organization.

- Applicants are permitted to submit a single application to **only one** of the pilot grant programs offered through the CCTSI (http://www.ucdenver.edu/research/CCTSI/funding/Pages/default.aspx).

- **Academic researchers who are listed on pilot grant applications must become members of the CCTSI in order to submit the application.**

- Applicants can only be involved in ONE Pilot Grant project at a time (don’t submit two different applications with your name on it).
Requested total grant funds will be split between Community Partners and Academic Researchers, with Community Partners receiving at least half of total grant funds.

Funds allocated to the Community Partner or Non-UCD Academic partners flow through the Colorado Foundation for Public Health and the Environment directly to the community partner.

Funds allocated to a UCD Academic Partner come from the University and are managed by the investigator.

Once the allocations are made to each partner, they cannot be modified (i.e., money can’t be shifted from the academic budget to the community budget and vice versa).

Indirect costs are not an allowable expense for this grant program.

Office furniture or other items not typically allowed on federal grants are not allowable expenses for this grant program unless otherwise stated in the RFA (i.e., food and other meeting expenses).

Modifications within the academic budget or within the community budget are allowed, providing the expense was approved in the original application.

Pilot funds cannot be used to pay for program implementation costs (i.e., costs related to program development, or for educational or dissemination programs)—funds CAN be spent on research/evaluation of such programs or for other translational research.
Joint Pilot Applicants may request funds for expenses related to developing and implementing research projects as outlined in the RFA, such as:

- costs related to hosting meetings, including refreshments;
- personnel costs, data collection, and/or analysis of community-specific information or other quantitative and qualitative data;
- evaluating an existing community-based program; expenses for community facilitation or other consultants.

Applicants must budget for participation in the poster session at the Community Engagement Research Exchange and Networking Forum. The budget should include costs for poster development, printing and necessary travel expenses for participants.
Post–Award Requirements

- Awardees must attend a mandatory Community Engagement workshop. Grantees may be required to participate in additional training and technical assistance activities.

- Attend mandatory 30 minute finance and administration webinar.

- All awardees are required to submit a six-month progress report and a final progress report at the end of the funded project. Additional reports may be required.

- All awardees are required to participate in CCTSI evaluation activities related to the pilot grant program.

- All awardees must agree to present their research at the annual Community Engagement Research Exchange and Networking Forum, which is tentatively scheduled for the fall 2017.

- Grantees conducting research involving human subjects must submit their projects to an accredited Institutional Review Board (IRB) and must comply with IRB training requirements.

- If you intend to use any Clinical and Translational Research Centers (CTRC) resources, your research protocol also will require separate Scientific and Advisory Review Committee (SARC) submission and approval. CTRC resources include: inpatient and outpatient research facilities, clinical research nursing support, nutrition research support, exercise research laboratory, ancillary funds; and CTRC Core lab support. For more information, visit http://cctsi.ucdenver.edu/Research-Resources.

- Research dissemination in scholarly peer-reviewed journals, meeting settings, and back to the community.
Upon award notification, awardees need to prepare the information they would need to submit to IRB/NCATS.

Aspects of this may be required in your application based on new NIH requirements.

Awardees conducting research involving human subjects must submit their projects to an accredited Institutional Review Board (IRB) and must comply with IRB training requirements.

Applicants are strongly encouraged to demonstrate their capacity to submit to IRB as soon as possible if awarded.

Applicants are encouraged to contact Mallary Crow Adams for an assessment of whether their proposed project will need IRB approval and for assistance with ensuring that Community Researchers are aware of all training and administrative requirements. This will streamline the IRB application process should the project be selected for an award.

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Applications should be well written, precise, succinct, and should answer all applicable questions in the order in which they are presented in the application.

Preference to those that have the potential to improve community translation and decrease health disparities while meeting the criteria outlined in this RFA.

Scoring criteria will include:

- The partnership’s demonstrated working success in the past and plan for continued partnership within the planned project.
- Data collection methods and/or analysis of community-specific information or other quantitative and qualitative data.
- Disseminating and translating research findings.
  - Development and implementation of appropriate dissemination tools, such as, fact sheets and policy briefs, to community and academic audiences and to policy-makers.
Submission Requirements

Intent to Apply form must be submitted online no later than 5:00 p.m. on April 15, 2016 at:
http://www.ucdenver.edu/research/CCTSI/funding/CommunityEngagementPilotProgram/Pages/default.aspx

Applications must be submitted on-line no later than 5:00 p.m. on May 27, 2016 at:
http://www.ucdenver.edu/research/CCTSI/funding/CommunityEngagementPilotProgram/Pages/default.aspx
Submission Requirements

**Formatting Guidelines** – *Applications must*:

- be submitted online as a single document in Adobe PDF format (applications will require some information to be completed online and some will be completed offline and uploaded in PDF format);

- be written in Arial, 11-point font;

- be single-spaced with one-inch margins;

- adhere to the page limits and other instructions outlined in the RFA; and

- applications may include up to two letters of support/commitment, up to two MOU’s and a one-page bibliography as a single appendix (which means they must be merged into one, PDF document). The Appendix does not count toward the application page limit.
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