Limited Competitions:

Limited competitions are grant programs in which a sponsor limits the number of applications that can come from a single institution. It is the institution’s responsibility to ensure that it does not exceed the permitted number of applications for such competitions. The University of Colorado Denver | Anschutz Medical Campus has established the following process for soliciting, reviewing, and putting forward applications for limited competitions.

The Office of Vice Chancellor for Research (OVCR) will monitor Grants.gov and other sources for announcements of limited competitions. When such opportunities are identified, a notice will be posted to the academic announcements listserv and distributed via Network for Faculty and Staff. The notice will contain information about the grant program including a link to the program solicitation and will include a deadline date by which investigators who want to apply must notify the OVCR of their interest.

If the number of investigators wishing to apply to a program does not exceed the number of applications the university is permitted to submit, all can go forward with their proposals. The VCR’s office will notify those who expressed interest that they can begin to prepare full proposals. If the number of investigators wishing to apply to a given grant program exceeds the number of applications the institution is allowed to submit, the OVCR’s office will conduct an internal selection process. Investigators who want to apply will be asked to provide a pre-proposal which will include documents such as a project summary and a CV by a certain deadline. Complete summaries submitted by the published deadline will be reviewed by an ad hoc committee convened by the OVCR. The committee will review submitted summaries relative to the grant program review criteria and will select the application(s) it believes best meet those criteria. The OVCR’s office will then inform all investigators who submitted a pre-proposal of the committee’s decision. Those selected can begin preparing a full proposal at that time.

Please Note: The list of limited competitions compiled by the OVCR’s is not exhaustive. Anyone who wants to apply to a limited competition should contact the OVCR’s office as soon as possible so the opportunity can be publicized and this process can be conducted.