

CAROLINA CENTER FOR POPULATION AGING AND HEALTH

CALL FOR INNOVATION PILOT PROJECT PROPOSALS

The Carolina Center for Population Aging and Health (CCPAH) is issuing a call for project proposals to support exciting, innovative ideas for the study of population aging and health. These awards are meant to help CCPAH affiliates at any career stage to resolve substantive, measurement, or methodological issues; collect pilot data; harmonize data; and/or received structured feedback on large grant proposals. The proposed ideas must be consistent with CCPAH themes (<https://ccpah.cpc.unc.edu>) and fit within the scope of the research programs of the Division of Behavioral and Social Research of the National Institute on Aging (NIA) (<https://www.nia.nih.gov/research/dbsr>).

Proposals will be evaluated based on scientific merit. Priority will be given to projects that will lead to the development of fundable grant proposals to NIA. *It is expected that applications for external funding that stem from these grants will have the Carolina Population Center (CPC) as the administering unit, if the PI is located at UNC-Chapel Hill.*

This is an open call with no set deadline. However, proposals submitted earlier will have a higher chance of funding given that available resources are fixed.

Please submit your full proposal in PDF format to Lexie Groner (lexie_groner@unc.edu).

Please include the following materials with your proposal:

- [PHS 398 Page 1 face page](#). Only need to fill out:
 - Project title
 - Name(s) of researchers with PI clearly indicated
 - Total budget
- Research plan, no longer than 3 pages, that includes:
 - Specific Aims (1 page)
 - Significance (1 page)
 - Brief project plan (1 page)
 - Short paragraph on fit relating your project to CCPAH and DBS/NIA
- [PHS Budget](#):
 - Projects can range in size from \$20,000 to \$30,000 direct costs
 - Allowed costs: staff time (e.g., programming), student assistance, equipment, pilot testing, etc. Post-doc salary support is allowed, but limited. Principal investigator salary support is allowed, but must be strongly justified.
 - Unallowable costs: Research outside of the US. Analysis of international data or preparatory work for an international project is permitted, however.
- Brief budget justification.
- [NIH-format biosketch](#) for the PI(s).
- Timeline for your project including a target date to submit a grant proposal (NIA is preferred).
- Planned Enrollment Table if the proposal includes human subjects research. Funded proposals will be asked to submit a full NIH-format human subjects protection plan.

You can work with Lexie Groner to put together proposal materials, including the budget.

For substantive questions or advice on preparing your proposal, please contact Robert Hummer (rhummer@email.unc.edu) and/or Elizabeth Frankenberg (e.frankenberg@unc.edu).

For practical questions on preparing your proposal, please contact Lexie Groner (lexie_groner@unc.edu).