



Limited Submissions

Sponsor: National Institutes of Health (NIH)

Program: NIH Director's Emergency Early Independence Awards (DP5 Clinical Trial Optional)

Estimated Award Amount: \$1,250,000 (direct costs)

JHU Nomination Limit: 2

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Deadlines:

Internal Application: July 9, 2020

Full Application: September 4, 2020

Opportunity Summary:

Due to the COVID-19 public health emergency, the Common Fund will dedicate funds provided by the [CARES Act](#) to support a total of 5-10 Early Independence Awards (through this FOA) or [Transformative Research Awards](#) (through RFA-RM-20-020) that bring new, innovative perspectives and approaches to the prevention of, preparation for, or response to coronavirus SARS-CoV-2, domestically or internationally.

Any relevant area of coronavirus SARS-CoV-2 research is welcome, including behavioral/social science research, research on health disparities, novel therapeutics, and other related topics. As with all High-Risk, High-Reward Research program applications, innovation may be technological or conceptual. Early Independence Award applications that are not intended to respond to the COVID-19 emergency must be submitted in response to RFA-RM-20-014.

Eligibility & Requirements:

- The degree receipt date on the official transcript of the terminal doctoral degree or end of post-graduate clinical training of the PD/PI must be between June 1, 2019 and September 30, 2021.
- At the time of application, the PD/PI must not have served as a post-doctoral fellow following a previous (not the most recent) doctoral degree for more than twelve months.
- Applications with multiple PDs/PIs will not be accepted.
- Only the PD/PI may be listed as a Senior/Key Person and provide a Biographical Sketch.
- There is no U.S. citizenship requirement.
- For applications submitted on behalf of non-U.S. citizens with temporary visas, visa status must allow the PD/PI to conduct proposed research at the applicant institution.
- Individuals must commit at least 9.6 person-months each year (i.e., 80% effort of a 12-month appointment) in years 1-2 of the project period. In years 3-5, awardees may reduce their effort but must commit at least 9.6 person-months each year (i.e., 80% effort of a 12-month appointment) to independent research in general.
- Though PDs/PIs must not be functionally independent at the time of application submission, they may become functionally independent prior to time of award and still retain eligibility for the award.

Internal Nomination Process:

Interested applicants should submit the following documents:

1. [JHU Limited Submission Cover Sheet](#)
2. Proposal (maximum of two pages of text only, single spaced: 12-pt font and one-inch margins)
(Note: figures, tables, and other reference material may be included in addition to the 2 pg. text limit)
3. Curriculum Vitae of investigator, including current external research support and publications
4. Budget (two pages maximum)

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Questions? Comments? Email the Research Development Team at resapp@jhu.edu.