FY 2016 Program Description and Call for Applications

The Southern California Clinical and Translational Science Institute is seeking applications for pilot research projects of up to $40,000 each from individual investigators or small research teams in two areas:

Clinical and Community Research
These awards are intended to support preliminary research that will lead to larger extramurally-funded human mechanistic studies, clinical trials, community trials, health outcomes research, or implementation research. This mechanism is not intended to fund basic or preclinical research.

Research Process and Methods
These awards are intended to support the development and testing of new approaches and/or tools that increase the speed, efficiency, safety and/or quality of clinical, community, health outcomes and/or implementation research. Successful applicants will define challenges or barriers in the conduct of research and propose development of a solution that can be tested within the pilot project and/or with subsequent extramural funding.

Eligibility:
1) Full-time faculty members at USC and CHLA as of the date of the award are eligible to apply as PI.
2) Postdocs, residents, fellows, students, and community members can be included as co-Is.
3) International faculty who are non-US citizens/permanent residents must have a USC appointment and currently hold a visa to allow them to remain in the US long enough to complete the proposed project.

Multiple Awards: Investigators may only submit one application in which they are listed as PI or co-PI. However, a PI can be on more than one grant if he/she is listed as a co-investigator. Note: an applicant may only receive salary support from one award as PI or co-I.

Priority: Preference and highest priority will be given to projects that demonstrate a clear path to sustaining extramural funding or to direct implementation of improvements in clinical and translational research processes. Proposals will be evaluated using an NIH-style peer review process.

Timeline:
- **Application Deadline:** September 21, 2016, 11:59 PST
- **Final Selection Made:** November/December 2016
- **Submission of regulatory approvals to institution and NIH:** December 2016
- **Funding Initiated:** February 2016

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APPLICATIONS DUE
September 21

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2 RFAs to support
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~$400K TO BE AWARDED
Applications accepted Aug 22 – Sept 21
Awards start: February 1