



Ponce Health Sciences University- Moffitt Cancer Center Partnership

Funding Opportunity Announcement for 2020 U54 PHSU-MCC Partnership Pilot Research Projects

Application deadline extended to: March 16, 2020 at 5 pm EST
Anticipated start date: June 1, 2020

\$120,000 per year (up to 2 years) in direct costs

The Ponce Health Sciences University and Moffitt Cancer Center U54 Partnership to Advance Cancer Health Equity (PACHE) announce the availability of funds to support joint pilot research projects in cancer.

- \$60,000 per year per institution in direct costs only (with up to \$240,000 in total direct costs possible) will support two-year pilot research projects. Second year funding is contingent upon demonstrated scientific productivity.
- Proposals must involve an investigator from each institution (PHSU and MCC). Investigators should have a faculty appointment at their respective institution.
- Partnership leaders are available to assist interested applicants with identifying a partner at the other institution (Please email Sabrina.Rodriguez@moffitt.org and hdelgado@psm.edu to request assistance, if needed).
- During the development of their proposals, investigators must coordinate with the Puerto Rico BioBank (PRBB) and Quantitative Sciences Core (QSC) for support in the development of the biobank, bioinformatics and biostatistics aspects of their proposal in order to determine feasibility and proper budget for the proposed services. **Please allow one (1) month prior to the application deadline for consultation with the PRBB and QSC.** (For PRBB Services, please email Douglas.Cress@moffitt.org and iflores@psm.edu. For QSC services, please email Steven.Eschrich@moffitt.org and jdutil@psm.edu).
- Budgets are subject to change contingent on NCI funding availability.

Proposals will be evaluated for:

- Scientific merit and feasibility (preliminary data preferred but not required)
- Potential to rapidly progress to publications and independent peer-reviewed grants (NIH, ACS, DoD, Research Foundations)
- Promotion of Partnership objectives, with a focus on cancer health disparities, and training of minority and early-stage investigators

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Information about the PHSU-MCC Partnership is also available at www.phsu-moffitt.org.