

2014 CFAR HIV RESEARCH POSTER COMPETITION

Deadline Extended: REQUEST FOR ABSTRACTS

PURPOSE: The UAB CFAR invites abstracts for innovative pilot projects focused on new ideas in HIV/AIDS to be conducted by multidisciplinary teams. The goal of these funding awards is to generate preliminary data that will lead to externally-funded grant applications within 12-18 months.

ELIGIBILITY: Research teams of at least 3 members, including one early-stage faculty member (within 10 years of a terminal degree) and one senior researcher, are eligible to apply. Trainees may also be included (fellows, postdocs, students). To be considered for an award, one team member must be present on **December 11th, 2014 from 12pm to 1:30pm** to present the idea as a research poster for the judges and to CFAR members in a standard poster session.

TOPIC AREAS: Areas of focus should align with the strategic interests of the UAB CFAR, including: HIV and Aging, Management of Co-morbid Conditions (i.e., Obesity, Cardiovascular Disease and Metabolic Disorders), HCV and HIV Co-infections, Community-based Research in HIV/AIDS and Evidence-based HIV Risk Reduction Interventions. Posters focused on areas of Vaccines, Global Health and Infectious Diseases are also welcome.

ABSTRACT INSTRUCTIONS: Please submit a study title, full names of team members, titles and Division, Department, and School. The body of the abstract should be less than 250 words. Please use Arial 11 pt font. Submit your abstract as a word file or pdf to uabcfar@uab.edu.

FUNDING AWARDS: Research funding awards are for 1 year in length and are not renewable. Funding awards provided may be used to support research-related supplies and services, but not salary. Studies involving human subjects or animals will require institutional approvals. Prize money is awarded by check and is unrestricted. Research awards and prizes will be made for the best 1st, 2nd and 3rd place posters as follows:

- **First Place:** \$4000 research funding + \$250 prize
- **Second Place:** \$2000 research funding + \$125 prize
- **Third Place:** \$1000 research funding + \$75 prize

REVIEW PROCEDURES: Only 20 posters will be selected for competition to be presented during the CFAR Lecture Series on Thursday, December 11th, 2014 12pm to 1:30pm. Posters will be reviewed and scored by the UAB CFAR Leadership review committee. Evaluation criteria include the composition of the study team, significance, innovation and the likelihood that the project will lead to future funding. Finalists will be announced by email.

QUESTIONS: Email the UAB CFAR at: uabcfar@uab.edu

ABSTRACT DEADLINE: DEADLINE EXTENDED for Abstracts- due electronically to uabcfar@uab.edu now on Monday, **November 17th, 2014**. Notifications of acceptance will be made within 3 days to allow time for poster preparation and printing.