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Instructions

Provide the information requested below. Upload the completed template as a single PDF submitted to the [COERE-UWIRC 2020 Pilot Portal](#). Describe your pilot project strategy and plan in detail, and demonstrate how the proposed project responds to mission and strategic plan of UAB and UAB Health System and how pilot funding/support will lead to a future R01, R21, external K, program project proposals, or equivalent mechanism. **DO NOT EXCEED 4 total pages** (excluding cover page, specific aims, research team, budget, and references).

Document Format

1. Font size: must be 11 points or larger (smaller text in figures, graphs, diagrams and charts is acceptable as long as it is legible when the page is viewed at 100%)
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4. Margins: 0.5" (minimum) all sides per standard NIH guidelines

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Please delete this section, and all instructional text from your submitted application.

Cover Page

Name of PI, academic rank, division, department and school

Name of Collaborators

Title of proposal:

Pilot Project Plan

A. Specific Aims (*1 page: Does not count towards 4 page limit*)

B. Research Strategy (*No more than 4 pages. Explanation of how pilot funds will expand work towards the specific aims and will support the development of a more competitive proposal. Additional subheadings are allowed*)

1. Background and Significance (*1 page maximum*)
2. Innovation (*1/2 page maximum*)
3. Approach (*Describe planned research methods and state team members experience with it.*)
4. Plans for future development (*Emphasis will be placed on scientific merit and likelihood that the work will advance to a R01, R21, external K, program project proposals, or equivalent mechanism. Applications responsive to this RFA should focus on outcomes, comparative effectiveness, health disparities, population health research, methodology or any combination thereof. If the future full scale study will not be a randomized study please describe what other study design approaches will be used to control for observational effects (e.g. quasi-experimental approach such as step wedge, interrupted time series)*)
5. Overall Timeline--*Outline project milestones include planning meetings, collaborative manuscripts, discussion of preparation of the full scale external application, and anticipated date for submission*)

C. Overview of Proposed team and interactions (*No more than 1 page; Note collaborations between health system care providers and research team with expertise in trial design/outcomes research*)

D. Budget and Budget Justification (*Does not count towards Research Strategy 4 page limit*)