

# The UAB Nephrology Research and Training Center, UAB-UCSD O'Brien Center and The Minority Health and Health Disparities Research Center



## Pilot Award to Address Disparities in Kidney-Related Diseases

The **UAB Nephrology Research and Training Center**, the **UAB-UCSD O'Brien Center for AKI Research** and the **Minority Health and Health Disparities Research Center** invite proposals for interested faculty to participate in the **Pilot Award for research to address disparities in kidney related diseases**.

Kidney and kidney-related diseases disproportionately affect the health of underserved populations. These disadvantages can be byproducts of racial, socio-economic, or environmental disadvantages and can serve as obstacles to optimizing health outcomes. The primary purpose of this award is not to generate further observational data documenting the presence of this disadvantage. Instead this award is focused on supporting studies investigating potential solutions, treatments, or approaches to break down barriers to health access and clinical care that will improve the health and well-being of underserved persons. Projects focusing on social determinants of health as they relate to kidney diseases will be of special interest.

We invite **any** faculty member at UAB to apply. The proposal could include pre-clinical, patient-oriented, or epidemiological studies regarding populations of interest and could address kidney transplant, acute kidney injury, CKD, ESKD, genetic kidney disease (Fabry, PKD, IgA nephropathy etc.) or other related kidney-related outcomes.

### **TERMS OF SUPPORT**

Total funding will be \$40,000 in project-related direct costs, including appropriate staff salary support and supplies. No indirect costs will be allowed. Funds also may be used to facilitate core services toward the research proposed at other institutions but subawards are not allowed. We anticipate funding one award this year.

### **SUBMISSION OF APPLICATIONS**

This application should not exceed two (2) single-spaced pages (0.5-inch margins, 11 size Arial font). The application should include separate sections on overall objectives, specific aims and significance of the proposed research to disparities related to kidney disease. In addition to the 2-page application, an NIH-style Biographical Sketch and budget page should be included. References do not count in the two-page limit. Please submit as a single PDF document.

Award will be for one year and all recipients are required to provide a 6-month progress report and a final report.

### **APPLICATION DEADLINES AND DATES**

- Application deadline: October 1, 2020 at 5 PM. Please send an electronic copy via email to [andringa@uab.edu](mailto:andringa@uab.edu).
- Decision on initial applications: November 1, 2020
- Anticipated start date of funding: December 1, 2020

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