

## Call for Research Concepts: Secondary Data Analysis on COVID-19 in the context of Obesity and Health Disparities

The UAB Obesity Health Disparities Research Center (OHDRC) (U54MD000502) invites research proposals for **secondary data analysis** on COVID-19 related to obesity and health disparities.

Number of Awards: Up to two projects will be funded.

**Award Budget:** Up to \$7,000

**Award Period:** August 2020 – February 2021

Eligibility: Secondary data analysis funding is intended to support full-time faculty members at the University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB), Jackson State University (JSU), Louisiana State University (LSU), or University of Mississippi Medical Center (UMMC) who are NIH-defined New and Early Stage Investigators at the time of funding without current or past NIH research project support or senior investigators who are new to obesity and health disparities research. Instructor, Assistant and Associate Professors are eligible to apply. Post-doctoral fellows may also apply. A publication submitted to a peer-reviewed journal within 6 months of project completion is a required outcome of this project.

## Concept Due Date: July 27, 2020 Concept Content (Limited to 2 pages):

- Study Title
- PIs/Investigators names and title(s)
- The problem to be addressed and its scientific relevance
- Background/rationale
- Objectives and aims
- Research question and hypotheses
- Data (describe the data set, the variables that will be used, sample inclusions/exclusions)
- Statistical analysis plan and methods, including power calculations if necessary
- References (not included in the 2-page limit)
- Budget on a PHS 398 form (not included in the 2-page limit)

**Data set:** Applicants must already have access or permission to use their intended data set at the time of submission.

**Available Resources:** The OHDRC will provide biostatistical support to funded concepts. Applicants are encouraged to contact The Common Data Elements and Shared Resource (CDEMR) leader for consultation regarding available biostatistical services: Sejong Bae, PhD; bsejong@uab.edu.

**Submissions:** Email the 2-page Concept (plus references and budget, as described above) to Kaitlyn Waugaman: kjwaugaman@uabmc.edu; no later than **July 27, 2020 at 11:59 p.m.**