



*"As the PRO office is growing, I would like to see more communications and updates about the services that are available."*

---Satisfaction survey respondent, 2018.

## Summer 2018

### Pilot Funding Opportunities

The purpose of the [Kaul Pediatric Research Institute \(KPRI\)](#) is to promote the research and educational missions of the Hospital with the ultimate goal of improving child health. The grant program allows investigators to obtain data that will advantage applications for additional extramural funding in pediatric research.

- 1) Available to UAB faculty conducting pediatric research.
- 2) Full application due 9/29/18.
- 3) Award types available include new investigator (\$35,000) and established investigator (\$50,000/year)
- 4) Maximum award period: 2 years

The purpose of the [Center for Clinical and Translational Science \(CCTS\)](#) Pilot Program is to ameliorate disparities in conditions that disproportionately affect minority and special populations across the [CCTS Partner Network](#), and develop the future translational research workforce in a spirit that fosters collaboration, team science and innovative discovery. Available to faculty at UAB and Partner Network sites.

- 1) Available to UAB faculty conducting research across the translational spectrum.
- 2) Pre-application Letter of Intent due 8/15/18.
- 3) Two-tier review with selected pre-application LOIs invited to submit a full application in late October.
- 4) Award (\$60,000) for early stage investigators; requires a co-sponsor to provide a 1:1 match.
- 5) Maximum award period: 1 year

Contact the PRO (Cheryl Perry: [cperry@uab.edu](mailto:cperry@uab.edu)) with questions on developing a research grant application.

### New! DOP Faculty Expertise Database

The PRO has recently compiled a [Faculty Expertise Database](#) at the request of Dr. Cohen. The database includes DOP faculty information on scholarly and/or research interests; interest in mentoring students, residents, fellows and post-docs; and research involvement as measured by number of publications and current funding. Information was gathered from CVs submitted to the department, a search of the UAB OSP funding database, and directly from faculty members. It will be updated each year in the spring.

Stored on a SharePoint site, the database is password protected. To access the database, enter your BlazerID and strong password. SharePoint works best with Internet Explorer. Once in SharePoint, you will see a read-only copy of the database. All rows and columns can be viewed by using the scroll bar at the bottom or side of the screen. Multiple filters (just click on the down arrow next to the column header) may be applied. For example, you can filter by Division of Endocrinology, interest in clinical research, and faculty who are "very interested" in mentoring residents. To search by keyword, use Ctrl+F and type your term in the Find: box on the upper left of the screen. If you have any problems accessing the site or using the database, please contact Cheryl Perry ([cperry@uab.edu](mailto:cperry@uab.edu)) or Melissa McBrayer ([mcbbrayer@uab.edu](mailto:mcbbrayer@uab.edu)).

## Reminder – NEW Human Subjects and Clinical Trials Information Form in FORMS-E package

The most significant change with the NIH FORMS-E Application Package is the addition of the PHS Human Subjects and Clinical Trials Information form. It consolidates human subjects, inclusion enrollment, and clinical trial information previously collected across multiple agency forms. [Resources](#) such as a video and annotated form set are available to help investigators.

## NIH eRA Information: NEW Human Subjects System (HSS) Launched June 9

HSS is a shared system that enables grant recipients to electronically report and update their data on human subjects and clinical trials to NIH, and allows NIH agency staff to monitor and manage the data. This replaces the Inclusion Management System (IMS) which is now retired. For more information on this transition, please see Guide Notice [NOT-OD-18-179](#). An overview of the HSS system is available [online](#).

## Rigorous Resources for Rigorous Research excerpt from [NIH Open Mike article \(July 2, 2018\)](#)

Did you know that the NIH Office of Behavioral and Social Science Research has [training resources](#) for NIH investigators on how to rigorously develop and evaluate [mixed methods research applications](#). It includes a guide to developing an R-series research plan that incorporates mixed methods.

## DOP Research Mentoring Program update

Vice-chairs Whitley, Bhatia and Kimberlin have started scheduling meetings with their respective mentees. Questions? Contact Melissa McBrayer in the Pediatric Research Office ([mcbbrayer@uab.edu](mailto:mcbbrayer@uab.edu)).

## Research and Career Development Online Community *EdgeforScholars*

[Register with \*EdgeforScholars.org\*](#) for an online community dedicated to research and academic life. Started by researchers at Vanderbilt, it is national in scope. Find curated videos and articles, like the one below for insights into grants and funding, faculty life, gender and diversity, management and leadership, mentoring and [more](#).



*blogpost: [Tales of Picking Which Grants to Write](#)*

... When I am notified about a new request for applications, either through my institution, an email from relevant foundations, or the NIH, I work through the following questions....

## Calling all Pediatric Research Coordinators!

Mark your calendar for the next Pediatric Research Coordinator Lunch and Learn on August 24, 2018 at noon in the Bradley Center. These sessions have been designed to share information and best practices for conducting research at Children's of Alabama. The target audience includes UAB and COA research coordinators, research nurses, clinical trial administrators and other key research team staff that support the implementation of clinical and translational pediatric research. For more information on what we've covered during these sessions, please visit this [PRO webpage](#).

## UAB IRB Director Candidates

UAB is recruiting a new director of the Office of the IRB. Information about candidates and the interview process is found [here](#).