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CALL FOR PROPOSALS: 2020 Renal Staff Microgrants

The Division of Nephrology is now accepting applications for the 2020 Renal Staff Microgrant program. The purpose of this funding program is to provide resources for staff in our outpatient clinics, the Forest Park dialysis unit, the North County Dialysis Unit and the Chromalloy dialysis unit to undertake new projects that improve the care and experience of our patients.

Successful proposals will feature an idea based on clinical experience within these units. Many different types of proposals might be suitable, and examples include: Translating dietary advice into languages relevant to non-english speaking populations present in our clinics, improving spirit within the dialysis unit, methods to encourage patients to bring in all of their medications once per month, etc...

In this cycle, the division of nephrology will fund up to three grants. This grant will be funded at a maximum of \$5,000 total direct costs per year. Two payments of \$2,500 will be made with the second payment contingent on completion of a progress report at six months. A summary will be due at the end of the funding period as well. The Division reserves the right not to fund any project, based on the number and quality of applications received. Decisions regarding the appropriate level of funding for any proposed project will be made by the review committee and will take into account the availability of other funding sources.

Eligibility Criteria

A grant will be awarded to a team consisting of staff member(s) and one senior staff member or faculty member of the Division of Nephrology.

Application Process

All applications must contain the following on a maximum of one page (may be single spaced, minimum font 11).

- 1. Project Title**
- 2. Team member names**
- 3. Research Proposal**
 - Background
 - Specific Aim
 - Plan
 - Key risks and plan to mitigate
- 4. Brief Budget (included in the page limit)**
 - Computer or equipment purchases are not acceptable without justification and approval from director
- 5. Biographical Sketch for each Applicants (not included in the page limit)**

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6. Optional: Letters of Support or Collaboration

- These are not required and do not count toward page limit.

Submission Process

Please send your application via email to Jean Smith (jean_smith@wustl.edu) no later than **5:00 PM, Monday December 18, 2019.**

Review Outcome Notification

The grant award will be announced in early January.

Inquiries

Programmatic questions regarding the Renal Microgrant Grant Program should be directed to Dr. Benjamin Humphreys at (314) 362-8233 or bhumphre@dom.wustl.edu

Sincerely,

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