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Center for Global Health and Social Responsibility

AHC Global Health Seed Grants: Research in Guangxi, China

PURPOSE

The Center for Global Health and Social Responsibility (CGHSR) of the University of Minnesota and the Guangxi Center for Disease Prevention and Control (Guangxi CDC), Nanning, China request proposals for new research projects based in Guangxi, China, where the Academic Health Center (AHC) has started a partnership to advance new research and educational opportunities.

The goals of these seed grants are to:

- Seed new research studies by U of M faculty from the health sciences that have potential to attract future funding from external sources and will result in publication;
- Support new partnerships between U of M faculty and Guangxi CDC researchers.

ELIGIBILITY

Grants are available to a team of two Co-Principal Investigators (Co-PIs): one Assistant, Associate or Full Professor in the U of M AHC, and one researcher at Guangxi CDC. Prior global health research experience is not required. Each application must have a team of two Co-PIs; **U of M faculty must contact Eric Chu (chuxx168@umn.edu) to be paired with a Guangxi CDC Co-PI as determined by Guangxi CDC leadership based on complementary expertise and research goals between researcher teams.** Each U of M faculty member or Guangxi researcher may submit only one application as a Co-PI. However, there is no limit to the number of applications on which a faculty member could participate as a co-investigator.

Required elements of the proposal:

- Research activities that take place in Guangxi, China
- Research activities in one of the following four areas:
 - HIV prevention policy
 - Factors associated with aging
 - Hepatitis B
 - Prevention of smoking
- Research activities must be completed within one year (including a manuscript submitted) from the start date of the grant

Note: U of M student involvement is encouraged. However, in order for a student to conduct field research or to work in Guangxi, the student must have at least an intermediate-high command of Mandarin Chinese. The absence of student involvement will not negatively impact an application.

APPLICATION PROCESS

- **Proposal Due September 16, 2016 to globalhc@umn.edu**
- Proposals will be selected through a competitive peer review process from both institutions.
- Applicants will be notified of their funding by October 3, 2016.
- Funding will be available October 2016.

PROPOSAL FORMAT

- **Note:** The application needs to be submitted in both English and Chinese. Eric Chu can help coordinate translation between the two Co-PIs to ensure content consistency.
- **COVER PAGE:** Include the application title, Co-PIs and co-investigators information (name, highest degree, academic rank or position, college or institute), and total amount of support requested.
- **PROPOSAL:** Body of the proposal is limited to three pages, font size 12, 1 inch margins, and should include: background, hypothesis/specific aims, research plan, research timeline (study preparation, study implementation and data collection, data analysis, manuscript preparation/submission), student roles and responsibilities (if applicable); and potential future, broader research plans. If involving students, applicants should briefly address their plan for mentoring the student and how this experience would develop their research skills. The application should be written for an audience that extends beyond the applicant's own discipline. References can be included on a separate page.
- **NIH Biosketch** in the most recent 2015 format – include for Co-PIs and any co-investigators. List current and pending internal and external applications.
- **BUDGET:**
 - Maximum award amount is \$25,000 for 1 year.
 - Effort may be included for Co-PIs and co-investigators.
 - Support for University of Minnesota student involvement on the research may be included; travel support to research site and stipend are recommended to be approximately \$3,500.
 - Contracts to additional partners in Guangxi are allowable, including mandatory administrative fees.
 - Use [NIH budget pages for submission](#) (form page 4 required).
 - Include budget justification.
- Proposal Routing Form (PRF) should be completed and signed by the department head and dean. Include the PRF in your submission file at the very end of the document. **DO NOT SEND PRF to SPONSORED PROJECTS ADMINISTRATION.**
- Submit the application as a single PDF to globalhc@umn.edu.

QUESTIONS

Contact Eric Chu at chuxx168@umn.edu with questions or to connect with a Guangxi CDC researcher/potential Co-PI.