

The Office of the Vice Chancellor for Research announces:

THE 2017 UTHSC COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH NETWORK AWARD

CORNET-CLINICAL



- **Purpose:** The CORNET-Clinical is a mechanism for activating the research productivity among UTHSC faculty members who function as clinicians (Physicians, Dentists, Clinical Psychologists, RNs, Physical and Occupational Therapists, Clinical Pharmacists, etc.). Although the main targets are junior, new, or young investigators, established faculty members who are new to research or entering a new field of research will also be considered. The Awards aim to stimulate innovative, interdisciplinary, team research that crosses UTHSC-College boundaries, giving rise to future external funding. The Awards are designed to promote new lines of research and are not intended as bridging funds or a mechanism to extend ongoing funded research.
- **Minimum Requirements:**
 1. To be eligible for a CORNET-Clinical award, investigators must propose clinical, patient-oriented, human studies that create opportunities for inter-professional and inter-collegiate collaboration, and team science at UTHSC.
 2. **At least one PI must be a UTHSC faculty member who functions primarily as a clinical researcher as defined above.**
 3. PIs may be from the same college, but different disciplines, and must be initiating a new collaboration. **Established collaborative research teams are not eligible.**
 4. PIs may be from **any UTHSC campus** (Memphis, Knoxville, Chattanooga or Nashville)
 5. Adjunct faculty are not eligible.
 6. Affiliated faculty must agree to route future external grants stemming from CORNET research through the UTHSC Cayuse SP system.
- **Award Level:** Resources are available to fund up to three Awards, for up to \$50,000/award, for one year. No-cost-extensions will not be approved at year-end.
- **Required Application Materials:** (submit as one pdf file via the UTHSC InfoReady Review (IRR) portal (<https://uthsc.infoready4.com>)
 1. Face Sheet (template provided on IRR homepage and competition page; not included in 2-page limit) **Include** proposal title, and for each PI: name, degree, academic title, campus, college, department and contact information.
 2. Abstract (200-word limit; not included in 2-page limit)
 3. Research proposal (**2 pages only** - please **include**: specific aims, background and significance, preliminary data and a brief description of methods)
 4. References (not included in 2-page limit)
 5. As the CORNET-Clinical mechanism is designed to generate pilot and feasibility data, applicants must identify one or more FOAs (funding opportunity announcements) to be targeted for extramural grant support as a result of this seed money. Please provide a description of specific FOAs, including funding agency and submission due date (one paragraph, not included in 2-page limit)
 6. Budget (template provided on IRR homepage and competition page; not included in 2-page limit)
 - a. Faculty salaries are not allowed. Limited salaries are allowed for students, post docs and staff. Please **include** name (if known), position title, and percent effort.
 - b. No travel money

7. Information regarding other current support (intramural and extramural; template provided on IRR homepage and competition page). Please **include**: title, funding agency, grant type, project period, annual direct costs.
 8. NIH Biosketch or CV for each PI (template provided on IRR homepage and competition page; 5-page limit)
- **Institutional Approvals:** Institutional approvals for research involving human subjects, biohazards, etc. must be received prior to release of funding.
 - **Application Deadline:** Submissions are due by **Wednesday, November 15, 2017.**
 1. Funding decisions will be made by 12/20/17 and funding for selected grants is anticipated to begin on 1/1/18.
 2. **Applications will only be accepted via the UTHSC InfoReady Review Portal.**
 3. Directions for using the IRR portal can be found on the UTHSC InfoReady Review homepage.
 4. All templates can be found on IRR homepage and on CORNET-Clinical competition page.
 - **Review:** Submitted proposals will be reviewed by a committee chosen by the Vice Chancellor for Research and chaired by the Chair of the Department of Medicine.
 - A year-end progress report will be due in the Office of Research at the close of the grant.
 - Please contact [Lisa Youngentob](mailto:lyoungen@uthsc.edu) with any questions (lyoungen@uthsc.edu).