Hourglass Integrative Therapies Cancer Research Award  
Spring 2017

Objective
The objective of the Hourglass Integrative Therapies Cancer Research Awards is to support innovative and interdisciplinary clinical research that focuses on the use of integrative (complementary) therapies to improve symptom management or health outcomes of adults or children diagnosed with cancer.

Eligibility and Evaluation Criteria

- Hourglass award applicants must be faculty members of the Masonic Cancer Center (MCC) and/or affiliated with the Center for Spirituality and Healing (CSH).

- If awardees are not already affiliated with both organizations, they will be encouraged to formalize affiliation with the respective organization during the term of the award.

- The funds must be designated for the direct support of research. In general, funds should be used for supplies and support of research personnel (graduate students or technicians). Funds cannot be used to support faculty salaries. Only equipment purchases that are directly required for the research are appropriate. No indirect costs should be included in the budget.

- All applicants are required to have proper approvals (IRB/IACUC/IBC) before research may begin. Applicants are highly encouraged to apply for proper approvals at or prior to the time of submission. This will ensure that the study is approved by the start date of the award.

Mechanism Funding Information

One award of $25,000 for a one year term will be made depending on scientific review.

Review Process

Applications will be reviewed by a committee comprised of Masonic Cancer Center (MCC) and Center for Spirituality and Healing (CSH) leadership. The committee will make recommendations for funding to the Mechanism Director. De-identified, written reviews/critiques will be sent upon request.

Applicants will be notified of the review outcome by mid-June 2017. Awards will be made for one year, with an anticipated activation date of July 1, 2017.
**Reporting Requirements**

Principal investigators of funded projects will be required to provide mid-year and final reports that include accounting of all funds expended to date and progress towards milestones. Reports are to be submitted to respective program director(s) and the Funding Initiatives Manager. It is expected that all funds will be expended by June 30, 2018, with extensions being considered only in exceptional cases and requiring the approval of the Mechanism Lead.

Academic Health Center (AHC), MCC and CSH communications staff may reach out to awardees in the process of crafting communications (publications, website, flyers, etc.) for external audiences.

During a period of up to 7 years following the end of the pilot award, if any grants or publications are obtained as a result of this pilot funding, awardees are required to submit this information to the Funding Initiatives Manager at the Masonic Cancer Center.

**Grant Program Contacts**

All questions related to the application process, requirements, or eligibility should be directed to:

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