

CCTS Small Grants Program

Small grants of up to \$5000 are available to help strengthen applications for extramural research grants (for example, NIH R or K-awards or awards from private foundations).

Emphasis is given to applications that promote translational research on human conditions and involve a clinician in the investigating team (i.e. nurse, pharmacist, clinical social worker, etc.). Projects that do not directly involve human subjects must include a clear description of how these studies, if funded, will develop new knowledge that will lead to translational studies, and how such studies will have an impact on health and disease in Kentucky.

Project Priority

- Preference will be given to investigators to obtain preliminary data for an extramural grant submission.
- Multi-disciplinary collaboration involving clinicians in the investigating team.

Eligibility

• Full time faculty (all title series including regular, research, clinical and special) at the University of Kentucky.

Eligible Expenses

- CCTS services
- Research Assistant salaries
- Research supplies
- Research services, such as MRIs, sample processing
- Other critical research support
- Travel to research sites

Ineligible expenses

- Faculty salaries
- Travel to conferences
- Publication fees
- Workshop/conference/meals/refreshments

Required documents

- Draft Aims page for the extramural research grant that is being or has been submitted (single page)
- Short description of how the CCTS Small Grant will help to strengthen the application for the extramural research grant (single page)
- Pdf of the targeted RFA
- If the grant has been previously peer-reviewed and the funds are requested in response to a critique, a copy of the summary statement should be enclosed
- IRB / IACUC approval letter, if available
- Current NIH biosketch for the PI
- Budget and budget justification (\$5,000 maximum per proposal).
 - A budget estimate must be obtained from the CCTS pilot budget administrator, Judy Evans-Pack (<u>judy.evans-pack@uky.edu</u>; 859-588-0147), before applying to use <u>any CCTS</u> services.
 - The use of the following form is REQUIRED: PHS 398 Form Page 4
 "Detailed Budget for the Initial Period" found here:
- If the project does not involve humans, there should be a clear description of how these studies will develop new knowledge that will

- lead to translational studies, and how such studies will have an impact on health and disease in Kentucky.
- Letter of support from the Department Chair/ immediate supervisor that includes acknowledgement of their support for the project and providing assurance that sufficient protected time to complete the research will be available.
- Please submit your application using the following Application link: https://redcap.uky.edu/redcap/surveys/?s=eE38BAZLmY

Review Criteria

 Funding decisions will be made based on scientific merit, relevance to program goals, and potential for extramural support.

Review Process

Proposals will be reviewed on an ongoing basis by members of the CCTS Small Grant Review Committee.

Deadline

The CCTS Small Grants Program is a rolling submission format. Proposals are accepted year-round; submissions are reviewed and awards made on an ongoing basis.

Award

Awardees may hold only one CCTS Small Grant Award at a time. Funds will be available for a maximum of one year from date of award and may not be renewed. Awardees will be asked for a brief progress report at the end of six months. If no progress has been made at that point, the CCTS Small Grants Program reserves the right to request that any unexpended funds be returned.