

REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS
EXTENDED DEADLINE: DECEMBER 1, 2008

**Temple University, College of Health Professions – Fox Chase Cancer Center
Seed Grants to Support Joint Cancer Prevention and Control Projects**

Purpose

The purpose of this Request for Applications is to foster inter-institutional clinical and translational research among researchers at Temple University College of Health Professions (CHP) and Fox Chase Cancer Center (FCCC). For this reason, we are pleased to announce that funding is available to support a single joint CHP-FCCC seed pilot research project in the area of *Cancer Prevention and Control*. This \$50,000 direct cost award will be issued for a January 1, 2009 start date.

Funds may be used to support projects related to cancer prevention, epidemiology, cancer late effects and issues of survivorship, cancer education, tertiary care of cancer patients, or clinical research related broadly to issues of cancer health disparities. The long-term goal of this initiative is to catalyze the development of ongoing, fruitful collaborations between the Temple University College of Health Professions and the Fox Chase Cancer Center faculty.

Eligibility

The proposed application must involve at least one faculty member of the College of Health Professions (in any relevant department) and one member of the Fox Chase Cancer Center.

Preference for funding will be given to applicants who can demonstrate that their proposed application has potential for federal funding through either the National Institutes of Health (e.g., National Cancer Institute) or the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Funding

Budgets up to a maximum of \$50,000 for a term of one year will be considered. Grants awarded are nonrenewable.

Funds may be used to support research activities in any form (research materials, equipment, graduate student stipends, etc.), but should not be allocated for Principal Investigator salaries including summer compensation. There will be no indirect costs associated with the awarded grant.

Submission Process

Refer to the Application Form for the application details.

Applications must be received by **December 1, 2008** and sent electronically to Sheri Ozard at Sheri.Ozard@Temple.edu.

Overview

A major goal of this initiative is to solicit applications that will ultimately generate data to facilitate the development of significant grant applications to advance pilot research and eventually secure external funding from federal agencies. Proposal will be due by December 1, 2008 and must indicate how future external funding might be accomplished and how the proposed application would advance the field in the area of cancer prevention and control (see cover page).

At the end of the funding term, awardees will be required to submit a final progress report describing the research accomplishments of the grant award. In addition, awardees will be required to submit an external grant award within twelve months after completion of this pilot award. The applicants also are expected to publish the results of their investigation in a peer-reviewed publication.

Criteria for selection of the award(s) to be funded will include potential for the applicants' ability to secure external federal funding based on an existing track record and applicants' capacity based on their current track record to disseminate the results of the pilot study into an existing publication that is peer-reviewed and is of high quality.

Selection Criteria

- Demonstrate synergistic interactions between collaborating faculty;
- Likelihood that the project would continue beyond the grant period and that it would be a worthwhile investment for securing additional federal research funding;
- It should be clear in the proposed application that without this funding, the work would be performed instead with someone outside of Temple University, College of Health Professions/Fox Chase Cancer Center or not at all.

Selection Process

A committee consisting of selected Temple University, College of Health Professions' faculty and Fox Chase Cancer Center faculty will rank all applications and the application ranked the highest will be awarded funding. Each reviewer will write a one page review indicating their overall evaluation of the award. All applications will be scored based on the National Institutes of Health system.

Announcement of Awards

Award announcements will take place on or about December 15, 2008 for grants which will start on January 1, 2009.