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CALL FOR PROPOSALS 2012

CALNOC Research Initial and Matching Grants

Application Instructions
As a leader in promoting patient care excellence, safety, and quality since 1996, CALNOC is proud to introduce the CALNOC Research Fund—dedicated to advancing innovative research and demonstration projects that address research priorities emerging from the 2010 Institute of Medicine (IOM) Future of Nursing report. One-year grants of up to $5,000 will be awarded.

Eligibility Criteria
We welcome researchers from CALNOC participating hospitals as well as non-participating hospitals and doctoral students.

Selection Criteria
A research review committee appointed by CALNOC will review the proposals. Proposed research should focus on one or more of the research priorities cited in *IOM Future of Nursing Report: Leading Change, Advancing Health* (Washington DC, 2011), including care management models, comparative effectiveness, education, leadership, residencies, scope of practice, teamwork, technology, and value of reforms.

Examples of relevant research include:
- Impacts of new models of care delivery on nursing work and nursing care
- Effects of workforce configurations on health care costs, quality and access
- Strategies for increasing the efficient education, preparation and distribution of the nursing workforce, including nurse residencies
- Results of evolving payment innovations on nursing work and quality of care
- Impacts of introduction of new technologies on nursing care
- Effects of team-based care models and other advances
- Impacts of nurse-led innovations in patient care design and delivery
- Comparative effectiveness of approaches to delivering nursing care

Research should focus on inpatient settings and/or transitions across the continuum of care.

Selection will be based on:
- Strategic significance,
- Rigorous methods,
- Feasibility, and
- Clinical and scientific merit.

How to Apply
Application materials must be submitted electronically by January 20, 2011 to:
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    CALNOC Chief Customer Advocate
    2520 Venture Oaks Drive #210 Sacramento, CA 95833
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Proposals must include the items listed below:
To apply, please submit the following documents (**only complete packets will be accepted**):
1. Grant Application Cover Page
2. A detailed grant proposal outlining the research topic, background (relevance), research methods (including design and CALNOC data elements requested, if any), analytic plan, and plans for disseminating results. **The narrative may not exceed 5 pages.** (Please use standard margins, single spaced, 12-point, Times New Roman font)
3. Timeline & Budget Worksheet containing a complete budget and accompanying justification and a timeline for completing the research project.
4. A bio-sketch for all members of the research team (maximum 2 pages each)
5. Two letters of support must be included with the submission. Doctoral students must include a letter of support from their primary advisor.
6. IRB Approval (as appropriate) will be required to receive the award.

Important Note
All application documents should be named beginning with the last name of the principal investigator.
(e.g. Smith_coverpage, Smith_proposal, Smith_budget, etc).

Only the principal investigator or their institution will be awarded funding. When more than one investigator is listed, the first individual named will be the CALNOC point of contact. *Please note that the CALNOC Research Fund does not allow for any overhead expenses to be designated for or paid with grant money.*

A final decision letter will be sent to all applicants on or before February 28, 2012. Grant recipients will be honored at the CALNOC 2012 Conference June 14-16, 2012 in Sacramento, CA.

Grant recipients are responsible for
- Signing and returning a Grant Application Cover Page
- Submitting a mid-term report within 8 months of award (September 30, 2012).
- Submitting a final report, including abstract of findings, by January 31, 2013.
- Completing a poster presentation of findings for CALNOC 2013 Conference and CALNOC website
- Presenting research findings at the 2013 CALNOC Conference
- Creating and managing a Timeline and Budget Worksheet

The grant period and project duration is up to one year from the date of the grant approval. Grant awards will be processed upon receipt of the signed grant agreement form.

KEY DATES AND DEADLINES
- Application due: January 20, 2011
- Applicants notified: February 28, 2012
- Awardees honored: CALNOC Conference June 14-16, 2012 Sacramento, CA
- Mid-term report due: September 30, 2012
- Final report due: January 31, 2013
- Research & poster presentation of findings: CALNOC 2013 Conference – date TBD

Key Documents & Resources
- Grant Application Cover Page
- Timeline & Budget Worksheet
- CALNOC Website