Instructions for PQ 2017 Proposals

Applications must address one of the 12 provocative questions outlined in RFA CA-17-017 (Research Answers to NCI’s Provocative Questions, https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-CA-17-017.html). Applications that include multi-investigator teams are strongly encouraged. While investigators may participate in multiple projects, only one application may be submitted from each Principal Investigator.

NON-COMPETING Letter of Intent (1 page) to aide reviewer identification – due September 5, 2011

Proposals will be limited to 5 pages and include the following:

- Research Plan with Specific Aims, including sources of tissues/blood if used (up to 3 pages).
- Identification of the specific PQ(s) that the pilot application addresses and an outline of how the preliminary data obtained with the pilot funding will be used to support the NCI PQ application (with specific aims) (up to 1 page).
- Description of Research Team, including an outline of the specific roles of the lead and any co-PIs (~0.5 page).
- Timeline for submission of NCI PQ application (~0.25 page)

Additional information that should be submitted, but is not included in the 5-page limit includes:

- Cover Page that includes the Title, PI, co-PI, Institution(s), Department(s), and all co-investigators
- NIH Biosketches for all key personnel (up to 5 pages each)
- References Cited
- One page budget with categories and justification [note that faculty (including PI and co-PI) salary support and travel are excluded]. It is preferred that Case Comprehensive Cancer Center shared resources be used rather than resources at distant institutions.

Review Criteria:

- The project rigorously addresses one of the NCI Provocative Questions in RFA-CA-17-017.
- The research team, including the PI, has established competency in the topic being addressed.
- The research plan is innovative, impactful, and is appropriately designed.
- The project and research team have a high likelihood for future funding from the PQ RFA.

Obligations of Awardees:

- The PI must plan for an R01 submission to NCI by October 2018.
- Specific Aims page for the NCI R01 submitted for Case CCC Executive review by May 1, 2018.
- A formal presentation of the proposed NCI R01 application to the EC is expected in June 2018.
- Acknowledgement of support from the Case Comprehensive Cancer Center in all publications and media releases associated with the supported project.
- Timely submission of data and stewardship reports upon request from the Case Comprehensive Cancer Center.
- Participation in meetings of the aligned program.
- Presentation of Progress in Cancer Center-sponsored symposia.
- Please submit all materials to casecccpilots@case.edu by September 11, 2017.