

#### Who May Apply

Any individual or organization in California may submit an application. The research must be conducted primarily in California. We welcome investigators from community organizations, public or privately-owned corporations and other businesses, volunteer health organizations, health maintenance organizations, hospitals, laboratories, research institutions, colleges, and universities.

A PI may submit more than one application, but each must have unique specific aims. Applicants are limited to a maximum of two (2) grants either as PI or co-PI, and these must be in different award types. The Program Initiative grants are not included in this limit. A PI may have more than one Program Initiative grant in a year.

Note: PIs with current CBCRP grant support will not be eligible to apply for additional funding unless the required scientific and fiscal reports on their existing grants are up-to-date. This means that Progress/Final Scientific Reports or Fiscal Reports that are more than one month overdue may subject an application to disqualification unless the issue is either, (i) addressed by the PI and Institution within one month of notification, or (ii) the PI and Institution have received written permission from the CBCRP to allow an extension of any report deadlines.

#### **Conditions of Award**

Details concerning the requirements for grant recipients are available in the University of California, Office of the President, "Grant Administration Manual for Statewide Research Programs." The latest version of the Manual and policy updates can be viewed on our Web site: <u>http://www.ucop.edu/research-grants-program/grant-administration/index.html</u>.

All CBCRP grant recipients must abide by other pre- and post-award requirements pertaining to Cost Share, Indirect Cost Rates, Monitoring & Payment of Subcontracts, Conflict of Interest, Disclosure of Violations, Return of Interest, Equipment and Residual Supplies, Records Retention, Open Access, and Reporting as outlined in the Grants Administration Manual (GAM) available at: <u>http://ucop.edu/research-grants-program/\_files/documents/srp\_forms/rgpo-policy-updates-2014-15.pdf</u>.

Awardees are expected to account for the expenditure of funds and for the performance of work as agreed upon in a timely manner, so that the CBCRP may file reports and answer inquiries from the legislature and the public. They are also expected to adhere to the stated goals of the legislation, which include the systematic dissemination of research results to the public and to the healthcare community and the facilitation of translation of research results into commercial, alternate technological and other applications. The Institution Official's and Principal Investigator's signatures on the Face Page of the application signify that the individuals are aware of the conditions for receiving funding from the Program.

To ensure the proper management of these public funds, a prospective funding recipient must satisfy the following standard requirements before an award will be made:

- Have adequate organizational and fiscal management, and accounting systems to administer the award and assure compliance with award terms and conditions.
- Have adequate liability insurance and bonding, including indemnification of the UC Regents.
- Ensure nondiscrimination in employment, and assurances regarding the treatment of animal or human subjects and research safety and ethics.
- Have adequate financial resources, equipment, facilities, and technical skills to perform the proposed work, or the ability to obtain them.
- Be able to perform the proposed work within the approved time frame, taking into consideration all existing commitments.
- Have a satisfactory record of integrity and business ethics.
- Maintain mechanisms to assure integrity and honesty in the conduct of research, safe conduct of research, and fair practice for all employees and research subjects.
- Certify that none of the key personnel on the project are barred by the U.S. Public Health Services Office on Research Integrity from performing comparable roles on federally funded grants.

Individuals who are to be awarded funds may meet these requirements directly or by making arrangements with a research organization that does. A funding recipient may satisfy modified requirements, if this is determined to be appropriate upon review by the Program.

Though the research must be conducted primarily in California by California investigators, part of the work may be done outside California if the need to do so is well justified (i.e., it is integral to the achievement of a specific aim and cannot reasonably be performed in California) and the results of such work may be applied to furthering the achievement of the Program's goals.

Grant awardees must agree to:

- Use award funds only as approved by the CBCRP. The Program must approve changes in the specific aims of the project.
- Maintain accounts, records and other evidence pertaining to work performed and costs incurred.
- Submit a final scientific report and any interim reports as specified by the Program and the grant administration manual.
- File annual fiscal reports and a final fiscal report.
- Participate in CBCRP-sponsored activities to disseminate research results as able and as requested.
- Ensures timely translation of research results into commercial applications, public policy and public communications as appropriate and/or required by the funding solicitation.
- Attend CBCRP research symposia, if scheduled during the award period, or forfeit budget amounts assigned to this item.

Upon request, awardees must supply the following information or documents:

- 1. Verification of Principal Investigator status from an appropriate institutional officer
- 2. Documentation of 501(c)(3) non-profit organization status

- 3. Documentation of the DHHS-negotiated (or equivalent) indirect cost rate for non-U.C. institutions
- 4. Detailed budgets and justification for any subcontract(s)
- 5. IRB or IACUC applications or approvals pertaining to the award
- 6. Resolution of any scientific overlap issues with other grants or pending applications
- 7. Resolution of any study section recommendations

## Assurances - Human Material and Vertebrate Animal Subjects

Approvals for use of human material and animal research subjects are not required at the time of application. Applicants are encouraged to apply to the appropriate board or committee as soon as possible in order to expedite the start of the project, and you must do so before 21 days of notification that an award has been offered. This deadline may be negotiable depending on the circumstances of the proposal. If all reasonable efforts are not made to obtain appropriate approvals in a timely fashion, funds may be reallocated to other potential grantees' proposed research projects. If a project proposes activities that pose unacceptable potential for human and animal subject risks, then a recommendation either not to fund or to delay funding until the issue is resolved may result.

## **University of California Campuses**

In accord with University of California policy, investigators who are University employees and who receive any part of their salary through the University must submit applications and proposals through their campus contracts and grants office ("Policy on the Requirement to Submit Proposals and to Receive Awards for Grants and Contract through the University." Office of the President, December 15, 1994). Exceptions must be approved by the UC campus where the investigator is employed.

### **Policy Regarding Scientific Misconduct**

The Research Grant Programs Office manages programs general accord with the policies and procedures employed by the National Institutes of Health (NIH), including those that apply to scientific misconduct. The Department of Health and Human Services' (HHS) Office of Research Integrity is responsible for implementing HHS regulations regarding scientific misconduct in research conducted with NIH and other support from the US Public Health Service.

The administrative actions imposed by HHS include the following: correction of the scientific literature; special plan of supervision to ensure integrity of the scientific research; certification of the accuracy of the scientific data; certification of the accuracy of sources and contributions for scientific ideas and writings; prohibition against service on PHS advisory committees or as a consultant; and, debarment from receipt of Federal funds. These actions are for a specified duration, depending on the nature and seriousness of the misconduct.

Applicants for or recipients of funding from the Special Research Programs (SRP) must promptly inform the University of an administrative action for scientific misconduct that is imposed by HHS by providing a copy of the final notice of the administrative action (i.e., after the disposition of any appeal), either at the time of application or within 30 days of the imposition of the administrative action. In general, the University will apply the same administrative action. For example, if HHS has debarred an investigator from applying for or receiving NIH awards for a specified period of time, that investigator would also be excluded from applying for or receiving awards from any of the SRP programs. To take another example, if an investigator has entered into a voluntary agreement with HHS for special oversight and supervision of the investigator's applications, research, and publications, that agreement would apply to that investigator's applications to, or awards from, the SRP.

Applicants or recipients may request that HHS administrative actions be waived or modified with respect to an application or award from the SRP. In such case, the applicant must present a justification for the request.

### Fraud or Misuse of CBCRP Funds

Report fraud or misuse of CBCRP funds to either CBCRP director, Dr. Marion Kavanaugh-Lynch at (510) 987-9878, or to the Office of the University Auditor, at (510) 987-0478 or <a href="https://www.ucop.edu/audit/">www.ucop.edu/audit/</a>.

## **Appeals of Funding Decisions**

An appeal regarding the funding decision of a grant application may be made only on the basis of an alleged error in, or deviation from, a stated procedure (e.g., undeclared reviewer conflict of interest or mishandling of an application). Details concerning the appeals procedure may be obtained from the appropriate Research Administrator (with whom the applicant is encouraged to discuss his/her concerns), the CBCRP Director, or by contacting us through the CBCRP Web site: www.cabreastcancer.org/. The period open for the appeal process is within 30 days of receipt of the application evaluation from the Program office. Contact the CBCRP to obtain full information on the appeals process.

Final decisions on application funding appeals will be made by the UCOP Research Grant Program Office (RGPO) Executive Director Dr. Mary Croughan. Applicants who disagree with the scientific review evaluation are invited to submit revised applications in a subsequent grant cycle with a detailed response to the review.

# Confidentiality

The CBCRP maintains confidentiality for all submitted applications with respect to the identity of applicants and applicant organizations, all contents of every application, and the outcome of reviews. For those applications that are funded the CBCRP makes public, (i) the title, principal investigator(s), the name of the organization, and award amount in a "Compendium of Awards" for each funding cycle, (ii) the costs (both direct and indirect) in the CBCRP's annual report, (iii) the project abstract and progress report abstracts on the CBCRP Web site. If the Program receives a request for additional information on a funded grant, the principal investigator and institution will be notified prior to the Program's response to the request. Any sensitive or proprietary intellectual property in a grant will be edited and approved by the PI(s) and institution prior to release of the requested information.

No information will be released without prior approval from the PI for any application that is not funded.