Call for Rural Patient & Stakeholder Engagement in Research Proposals

Submit a plan by January 14, 2019

The goal of this call for proposals is to enhance the capability of Great Plains IDeA-CTR and other researchers in performing patient & stakeholder engagement with rural research partnerships. Projects will be eligible if the researcher plans to engage patients and / or stakeholders in the conduct of research. (See the PCORI website for more information on patient & stakeholder engagement:  https://www.pcori.org/about-us/our-programs/engagement/value-engagement.)

Up to 10 researchers or research teams will be eligible to receive support including:

- Training & education in the conduct of patient & stakeholder engaged research
- Consultation to enhance proposal success in future applications
- Identification of rural patients and / or stakeholder partners with experiences relevant to the researcher’s topic of interest
- Compensation for patients that engage in your program of research
- Access to tools and resources to support meaningful engagement

Successful applicants will attend a 2-day facilitated meeting in August / September 2019 with their patient & stakeholder partners.

Projects that are interested in facilitating rural patient engagement in research planning, implementation, and/or dissemination will be eligible.

Submission Requirements

We anticipate acceptance of proposals at all stages of knowledge development: idea generation through the dissemination of findings.

1. Determine which of the following three categories best fits your research and describe the research plan. Limit your description to 1 page.

   - For researchers interested in engaging patients in the planning of a new project, please provide a description of the population that you wish to engage in research, proposed research topic and the value that you anticipate patients and / or stakeholders to bring to the study.

   - For researchers interested in engaging patients in the implementation and / or analysis of a current project, please provide a description of the study aims, design, and description of significance and innovation.

   - For researchers interested in engaging patients in the dissemination of research findings, please provide a brief summary of the study purpose, methods, results, and conclusions.

2. Provide the following information on a separate page (limit to 1 page).
List proposed study team

Describe the role rural patients & stakeholders would play in the study. See PCORI Engagement Rubric (https://www.pcori.org/sites/default/files/Engagement-Rubric.pdf) for guidance.

3. When applicable, provide a reference list for your work.

4. Include an NIH Biosketch for the principal investigator.

Please merge the documents into a single PDF document and email to RuralEngagement@unmc.edu by 8:00 am CST January 14, 2019.

Selection criteria:

- Patient-centeredness
- Importance of rural patient & stakeholder voice
- Ability to conduct engagement within the timeline below

Timeline:

**December 15, 2018**: Proposal submission system open

**December 20, 2018 12 noon – 1 pm central**: Office hours via ZOOM for researchers to ask questions about the opportunity. (https://unmc.zoom.us/j/226201567).

**January 7, 2019 2 – 3 pm central**: Office hours via ZOOM for researchers to ask questions about the opportunity. (https://unmc.zoom.us/j/253125790).

**January 14, 2019**: Proposal due

**January 31, 2019**: Notification of selected researchers

**Spring 2019**: Education & planning for patient engagement

**Summer 2019**: 2-day workshop with patients & stakeholders for facilitated engagement in research projects

**Fall 2019 – July 2020**: Facilitated engagement continues