

New supplemental funding opportunities for the UNC CTSA Grant

The NC TraCS Institute (home of the UNC CTSA - Clinical and Translational Science Award) has the opportunity to submit a limited number of candidates for research supplements to promote diversity and re-entry into biomedical and health related research. To ensure the best candidates are identified we welcome all nominations.

Each nomination should include:

- (1) Summary of why the nominee is a suitable candidate (1 page);
- (2) Short description of the clinical/translational research to be pursued (2-3 pages maximum); and
- (3) NIH bio-sketches or CVs of the nominee and their primary mentor.

All nominations must be submitted to NC TraCS by May 1st, 2019 using the on-line system called [Foundant](#) accessed at <https://www.grantinterface.com/Home/Logon?urlkey=UNCchapelhill> Contact Mary Beth Cassely at mbcassely@med.unc.edu or 919-966-4767 with any questions about the use of Foundant to submit the nominations.

Candidates will be selected by mid-May. Once selections are made, NC TraCS will assist the selected candidates in preparing the applications, which are due to the NIH by November 1, 2019. This will include connecting prospective applicants and their mentors with our NCATS Program Officer to discuss the goals and objectives of the supplement applications.

If you have questions for NC TraCS about either opportunity contact Andrea_Carnegie@med.unc.edu

Research Supplements to Promote Diversity in Health-Related Research:

<https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-18-906.html>

This supplement is designed for individuals from groups underrepresented in the biomedical sciences, including racial and ethnic minorities; persons with disabilities; and individuals from economically and educationally disadvantaged backgrounds. Preference will be given to early stage investigators. The supplement will provide up to \$100,000/year for salary plus fringe benefits. Additional funds of up to \$10,000 may be requested for research related expenses (supplies and travel). Costs may not exceed \$150,000 in direct costs. The requested time should be tailored to the candidate's proposed research project, training and mentoring plans; no more than three years can be requested. This [FAQ](#) provides additional information about this opportunity.

Supplements to Promote Re-Entry into Biomedical and Behavioral Research Careers:

<https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-18-592.html>

The duration of the career interruption should be between one and 8 years. Examples of qualifying interruptions include a complete or partial hiatus from research activities for child rearing; an incapacitating illness or injury of the candidate, spouse, partner or a member of the immediate family; relocation to accommodate a spouse, partner or other close family member; pursuit of non-research endeavors that would permit earlier retirement of debt incurred in obtaining a doctoral degree; and military service. Candidates who are managing a clinical workload full time and are not conducting research activities are eligible to apply. The aim of these supplements is to encourage such individuals to re-enter research careers within the missions of all the program areas of NIH. The requested salary and fringe benefits for a re-entry candidate must be in accordance with the salary structure of the institution. An additional amount up to \$10,000 may be requested. This [FAQ](#) provides additional information about this opportunity.