

Grant Title: RUTH L. KIRSCHSTEIN NATIONAL RESEARCH SERVICE AWARDS (NRSA) FOR INDIVIDUAL SENIOR FELLOWS (F33)

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Agency/Department: Department of Health and Human Services, National Institutes of Health (NIH), National Institute of Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA), Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD), National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders (NIDCD).

Area of Research: Fellowships to experienced scientists who wish to make major changes in the direction of their research careers.

Release and Expiration: Release Date: June 12, 2009. Expiration Date: September 8, 2012.

Application Deadline: April 8, August 8, and December 8, annually.

Amount: The amount of the stipend are individually determined and are based on the salary or remuneration from the home institution on the date of award. Relevant experience may include research, teaching, internship, residency, clinical duties, or other time spent in full-time studies in a health-related field beyond that of the qualifying doctoral degree. The NIH will contribute to the combined cost of tuition and fees at the rate in place at the time of award. Currently, equal to 60% of the level requested by the applicant institution, up to \$4,500 per year. Costs associated with tuition and fees are allowable only if they are required for specific courses in support of the research training experience supported by the fellowship. Senior fellows sponsored by nonfederal or nonprofit institutions (domestic or foreign) will receive an institutional allowance of \$7,850 per 12-month period to help defray expenses for the individual fellow such as research supplies, equipment, travel to scientific meetings, and health insurance.

Length of Support: Senior fellowship support may typically be requested for a period of up to 2 years.

Eligible Applicants: By the time of award, the individual applicant must be a citizen or a noncitizen national of the United States or have been lawfully admitted for permanent residence. Before a Ruth L. Kirschstein-NRSA senior fellowship award can be activated, the individual must have received a PhD, MD, DO, DC, DDS, DVM, OD, DPM, ScD, EngD, DrPH, DNSc, ND (Doctor of Naturopathy), PharmD, DSW, PsyD, or equivalent doctoral degree from an accredited domestic or foreign institution. Research clinicians must devote full-time to their proposed research training and confine clinical duties to those activities that are directly related to the research training program experience. The individual must have had at least 7 subsequent years of relevant research or professional experience and will have established an independent research career.

Summary: The National Institutes of Health (NIH) awards individual senior level research training fellowships to experienced scientists who wish to make major changes in the direction of their research careers or who wish to broaden their scientific background by acquiring new research capabilities as independent investigators in research fields relevant to the missions of participating NIH Institutes and Centers. Senior fellowship applicants must include a research training proposal that offers an opportunity for individuals to broaden their scientific background or to extend their potential for research in health-related areas as independent researchers. These awards will enable individuals with at least seven years of research experience beyond the doctorate, and who have progressed to the stage of independent investigator, to take time from regular professional responsibilities for the purpose of receiving training to increase their scientific capabilities. In most cases, this award is used to support sabbatical experiences for established independent scientists seeking support for retraining or additional career development. This program is not designed for postdoctoral level investigators seeking to enhance their research experience prior to independence.

Detail Information: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-09-211.html>