Grant Title: RUTH L. KIRSCHSTEIN NATIONAL RESEARCH SERVICE AWARD (NRSA) INSTITUTIONAL RESEARCH TRAINING GRANTS (T32)

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Agency/Department: Department of Health and Human Services, National Institutes of Health (NIH).

Area of Research: Support for graduate and postdoctoral research training.


Application Deadline: January 25, May 25, September 25 annually.

Amount: Annual Stipend: $20,976 (predoctoral), $37,368 to 51,552 (postdoctoral); Tuitions, Fees: The rate currently provides 60% of the level requested by the applicant institution, up to $16,000 per year per predoctoral trainee. If the program supports formally combined dual-degree training (e.g., M.D.-Ph.D., D.D.S.-Ph.D.), the amount provided per trainee will be up to $21,000 per year. For postdoctoral trainees, an amount equal to 60% of the level requested by the applicant institution, up to $4,500 per year, will be provided; Travel: To scientific meetings, workshops, and research training experiences; Training Related Expenses on Institutional Training Grants (including health insurance): Predoctoral Trainees: $4,200 annually, Postdoctoral Trainees: $7,850 annually; Institutional Allowance for Individual Fellows Sponsored by non-Federal Public, Private, and Non-Profit Institutions (Domestic & Foreign, including health insurance): Predoctoral Fellows: $4,200, Postdoctoral Fellows: $7,850.

Length of Support: Awards for T32 institutional NRSA research training grants may be for project periods up to five years in duration and are renewable. Trainees are required to pursue full-time research training.

Eligible Applicants: Public and State controlled institutions of higher education. See the full announcement for a complete list of eligible applicants.

Summary: This award supports predoctoral and postdoctoral research training to help ensure that a diverse and highly trained workforce is available to assume leadership roles related to the Nation's biomedical, behavioral and clinical research agenda. The primary objective of the program is to prepare qualified individuals for careers that have a significant impact on the health-related research needs of the Nation. Research training programs are designed to allow the Training Program Director/Principal Investigator to select the trainees and develop a curriculum of study and research experiences necessary to provide high quality research training. The Training PD/PI should limit appointments to individuals who are committed to a career in research and who plan to remain on the training grant or in a non-NRSA research experience for a cumulative minimum of 2 years. The PD/PI should also encourage and provide training in the skills necessary for trainees to apply for subsequent support through an individual fellowship, mentored career development award (K) program, or independent research project grant. Past studies have shown that health professional trainees who train in combined programs with postdoctoral researchers with an intensive research background are more likely to apply for and receive research grant support. Programs located in clinical departments that focus on research training for individuals with the M.D. or other health-professional degrees should consider developing ties to basic science departments or modifying their program to include individuals with research doctorates when this approach is consistent with the goals of the program. Applications should describe the basic science department's contribution to the research training experience and also indicate whether both health professional trainees and trainees with research doctorates will be included in the program. Note that programs solely for short-term research training should not apply to this announcement, but rather the separate (T35) NRSA Short-Term Institutional program exclusively reserved for short-term research training programs.