Grant Title: SCIENTIFIC MEETINGS FOR CREATING INTERDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH TEAMS (R13)

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Area of Research: Development of interdisciplinary research teams.


Application Deadline: April 12, August 12, December 12.

Amount: Not listed.

Length of Support: Not listed.

Eligible Applicants: Eligibility is limited to teams that incorporate a contribution from the behavioral and social sciences. Although at least one such discipline must be represented, teams that include other disciplines such as the life and/or physical sciences, engineering, and mathematics, are both eligible and encouraged.

Summary: This FOA encourages Research Conference Grant (R13) applications from institutions and organizations that propose to develop interdisciplinary research teams. Teams must include investigators from the social and/or behavioral sciences, and may include the life and/or physical sciences. The goal is to broaden the scope of investigation into scientific problems, yield fresh and possibly unexpected insights, and increase the sophistication of theoretical, methodological, and analytical approaches by integrating the analytical strengths of two or more disparate scientific disciplines while addressing gaps in terminology, approach, and methodology. This program will allow investigators from multiple disciplines to hold meetings in order to provide the foundation for developing interdisciplinary research projects. Topics that would be appropriate to this FOA and of interest to the NICHD include: Biogenetic origins of family behaviors; the effects of physical and mental health on family stability; the neurobiology of stigmatization and discrimination; migration and the spread of infectious disease; obesity, particularly childhood obesity; the biological and bio-psychosocial effects of early use of prosthetics on child development; and the study of time awareness or time perception as it reflects and supports quantity perception and quantitative abilities using interdisciplinary approaches incorporating developmental, genetic, psychosocial, neurobiological, and other perspectives to identify behavioral markers and endophenotypes for specific quantitative abilities, predictors of later quantitative disabilities, and potential intervention points to reduce math learning disabilities. For topics of interest to NCI, NIA and NIDA see the full application.