**Grant Title:** AMERICAN FOUNDATION FOR SUICIDE PREVENTION

**Funding Opportunity Number:** N/A

**Agency/Department:** American Foundation for Suicide Prevention

**Area of Research:** Clinical, biological, or psychosocial research on the problem of suicide.

**Release and Expiration:** N/A

**Application Deadline:** December 1 annually.

**Amount:** Distinguished Investigator Grants for up to $100,000 over the grant period. Standard Research Grants: Up to $75,000 over the grant period. Linked Standard Research Grants: Up to $225,000 over the grant period. Young Investigator Grants: Up to $85,000 over the grant period. In addition to a maximum of $75,000 for the investigator's research, these grants provide an additional $10,000 ($5,000 per year) for an established suicide researcher who will mentor the Young Investigator. Postdoctoral Research Fellowships: Up to $100,000 over the grant period. Fellows receive a progressive stipend of $42,000 in the first year and $46,000 in the second, with an institutional allowance of $6,000 per year. Pilot Grants: Up to $30,000 over the grant period. These grants provide seed money for new projects that have the potential to lead to subsequent larger investigations.

**Length of Support:** Distinguished Investigator Grants: Two years. Standard Research Grants: Two years. Linked Standard Research Grants: Two years are awarded to investigators at any level. Young Investigator Grants: Over two years. Postdoctoral Research Fellowships: Two years. Pilot Grants: One or two years.

**Eligible Applicants:** Distinguished Investigator Grants are awarded to investigators at the level of associate professor or higher with an established record of research and publication on suicide. Standard Research Grants are awarded to individual investigators at any level. Linked Standard Research Grants are awarded to investigators at any level. Young Investigator Grants are awarded to investigators at the level of assistant professor or lower. Postdoctoral Research Fellowships are awarded to investigators who have received a Ph.D., M.D., or other doctoral degree within the preceding six years and have not had more than three years of fellowship support. Pilot Grants are awarded to investigators at any level.

**Summary:** AFSP research grants support studies that aim to increase understanding of the causes of suicide and factors related to suicide risk, or to test treatments and other interventions designed to prevent suicide. Investigators from all academic disciplines are eligible to apply, and both basic science and applied research projects will be considered, providing the study has an essential focus on suicide or suicide prevention. Since AFSP began in 1987, encouraging and supporting scientific research on suicide causation, prevention and treatment has been at the heart of the Foundation's mission. AFSP research grants program seeks to: (a) encourage established investigators to undertake innovative approaches and explore new directions in suicide research; (b) encourage talented new investigators to enter the field of suicide research through grants that provide training support and mentoring; (c) provide seed money for pilot projects that show promise in opening up new areas of suicide research. AFSP research grants support the work of investigators from all disciplines that contribute to our understanding of suicide and suicide prevention. Since 2000, AFSP has given grant support totaling over $10 million to scientists throughout the country and abroad for studies on neurobiological, genetic, epidemiological, clinical, psychological and sociological aspects of suicide. AFSP offers six types of research grants: Distinguished Investigator Grants; Standard Research Grants; Linked Standard Research Grants; Young Investigator Grants; Postdoctoral Research Fellowships; Pilot Grants.

**Detailed Information:**