

**Grant Title:** DEVELOPING CENTERS FOR INTERVENTION AND/OR SERVICES RESEARCH (DCISR) (P20)

**Funding Opportunity Number:** CFDA Number – 93.242; Other – PAR-08-087.

**Area of Research:** Establish infrastructure support for groups of investigators to further expand their intervention and/or services research.

**Release and Expiration:** February, 2008 release; June 25, 2010 expiration.

**Application Deadline:** *Letter of Intent:* May 21 annually; *Full Application:* June 24 annually.

**Amount:** Up to \$1,000,000 per year *for total costs*

**Length of Support:** Up to 5 years

**Eligible Applicants:** Private or Public/State Controlled Institution of Higher Education; Nonprofit with or without 501(c)(3) IRS Status (Other than Institution of Higher Education); For-Profit Organization (Other than Small Business); State Government; U.S. Territory or Possession; Indian/Native American Tribal Government (Federally Recognized or otherwise); Indian/Native American Tribally Designated Organization; Hispanic-serving Institution; Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs); Tribally Controlled Colleges and Universities (TCCUs); Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian Serving Institutions; Regional Organization; Eligible agencies of the Federal government. Foreign institutions are not eligible.

**Agency/Department:** Department of Health and Human Services, National Institutes of Health, National Institute of Mental Health

**Summary:** The National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH) invites research grant applications to support core infrastructure for conducting intervention and/or services research directly addressing the mission of NIMH, which is to reduce the burden of mental and behavioral disorders through research on mind, brain, and behavior. In particular, this initiative addresses the mission of the Division of Services and Intervention Research (DSIR), as well as that of the NIMH Geriatrics Research Branch. The DSIR supports two main areas of research: a) intervention research to evaluate the effectiveness of pharmacologic, psychosocial, somatic, rehabilitative and combination treatment or preventive interventions on mental and behavior disorders, and b) mental health services research that consists of interdisciplinary investigations of the predictors, processes and outcomes of mental health services, including availability, access and acceptability; organization; decision-making; service delivery, utilization and quality of care; costs, cost-effectiveness and financing of mental health care, and the dissemination and implementation of effective interventions into service systems. The Geriatrics Research Branch supports intervention research relevant to older adults. The purpose of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to establish infrastructure support for groups of investigators to further expand their intervention and/or services research. Applicants under this FOA must have current ongoing research activities relevant to mental health intervention and/or services. This FOA is issued as a companion to the PAR-08-088, Advanced Centers for Intervention and/or Services Research (ACISR), which requires a larger amount of existing research activity than required for this funding opportunity. This FOA is meant to support investigators with active, but still limited research programs, who can benefit from infrastructure support to further develop and expand their research activities. The scope of this initiative is broad and meant to support investigators involved in treatment, prevention, and/or services research. Thus, this center grant mechanism can be utilized for a variety of research activities, such as controlled clinical trials of treatment or preventive interventions, research aimed at optimization and personalization of care, evaluation and improvement of the safety of interventions, research on the dissemination and implementation of evidence-based interventions, evaluation and improvement of mental health services, or economics of mental health services. Along the spectrum from effectiveness to services research, the applicant should indicate and justify the specific focus of the center that is being proposed. Novel methodological and organizational approaches and the creation of multidisciplinary research teams are especially encouraged. Based on the type and stage of development of the research activities being pursued, applicants can propose collaborations between academic investigators and relevant partners and justify support of the collaboration as part of the center.

**Detailed Information:** <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-08-087.html>