

Grant Title: DESIGN, MEASUREMENT AND STATISTICS IN COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH RESEARCH

PA Number: PA-06-474

Area of Research: Issues in the design, measurement, and statistical challenges in conducting mental health service research.

Release and expiration dates: June 23, 2006 release; November 2, 2010 expiration.

Application Deadline: *R01-New*: February 5, June 5, October 5 annually.

Amount: *R01*: Typically up to \$500,000 per year; *R03 & R34* funding mechanisms are also available.

Length of Support: *R01*: 5 years.

Eligible applicants: For profit or non-profit organizations; public or private institutions, such as universities, colleges, hospitals, and laboratories; units of state and local governments; eligible agencies of the federal government; non-domestic, domestic, or foreign institutions/organizations; faith-based or community-based organizations; Tribal governments and organizations.

Agency/ Department : NIH, NIMH

Summary: The purpose of this funding opportunity is to encourage research grant applications for work on the design, measurement, and statistical challenges inherent in conducting mental health services research in community settings. The goal of this initiative is to build and diversify the methodological infrastructure of community-based mental health services prevention and intervention research. This opportunity is designed to encourage methodologists from diverse academic backgrounds, including mathematical and educational statistics, biostatistics, software engineering, behavioral and social science, and business, to focus on the challenges inherent in this type of research. To ensure that those who are currently working on the methodological issues in mental health community-based research will continue to do so and that those methodological experts who are not working on mental health services issues will be encouraged to enter the field, this funding opportunity supports the basic methodological work, both qualitative and quantitative, necessary for the advancement of mental health community-based research. Specific research issues are emphasized including, but not limited to: studies focusing on the development or refinement and testing of instruments and procedures for assessing both stable and unstable characteristics of individuals and the contexts in which individuals live; research to assess the feasibility for intervention researchers of item banking and computerized adaptive testing; studies to investigate the feasibility, validity, and benefit of incorporating subject (e.g., clients, patients, families, clinicians, case workers) preference in intervention design and outcomes assessment; and others.

Detailed Information: <http://grants2.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-06-474.html>