Pediatric-Translational Cancer Research Grant Program

2020 Call for Applications

PURPOSE OF AWARD:
The V Foundation seeks to support translational research projects within the scope of pediatric cancer research. Translational projects should move a novel strategy from the laboratory into a human clinical trial or use specimens from a clinical trial to develop biomarkers or mechanisms. The research should apply in some direct way to human beings within the time frame of less than 3 years. If biomarker research is undertaken, a validation set or independent clinical trial is essential. A plan for biomarker validation, if applicable, must be included in any proposal. The endpoint of the project should be the planning or initiation of a new pediatric clinical trial.

The Pediatric Translational Research Award is a $600,000 grant paid in three annual installments of $200,000. Indirect costs up to 10% are permitted (i.e., over the grant term, a maximum of $60,000 can be utilized for indirect costs leaving $540,000 for direct costs).

SPECIAL FOCUS AREA: Pediatric cancer research. This call for applications is specifically for pediatric cancer research. There will be a separate invited Translational call for applications which focuses on all adult cancer types.

WHO MAY APPLY?
- Each invited institution may submit one nominee to apply for this pediatric call.
- The SOLE nominee may apply in either the V Scholar or the Translational program type. The RFA for both pediatric programs was provided so you may decide which program is the best fit for your nominee.

INSTITUTION ELIGIBILITY:
- Only research institutions that received this invitation may submit a nominee for consideration. Other affiliates of the institution that did not receive the email are not eligible to nominate an applicant.
- Institutions must be non-profit research institutions in the US or Canada.

APPLICANT ELIGIBILITY: Your nominee must be the lead Principal Investigator (PI) on the Pediatric Translational research team and must meet all of the following criteria:
- Nominated by their Cancer Center Director or similar high ranking research official.
- Employed at a non-profit research institution (e.g., 501c3, Section 170).
- Either a US Citizen or have a legal permit (temporary or permanent) to work in the US. Not applicable to Canadian institutions.
• Hold a tenure-track faculty position at their cancer research institution. Non-promotable, adjunct, affiliated, temporary, part-time or acting faculty positions are not eligible for Principal Investigator nomination to lead the Translational Research Team.

NEXT STEPS:
Nomination Form:
• The single nominee may apply in either the V Scholar or the Translational program type for support in this pediatric cancer research focused call for applications.
• Complete the attached Nomination Form for your sole nominee, indicating to which pediatric program type (V Scholar or Translational) your nominee will be applying.
• The Nomination Forms must include the Cancer Center Director’s or similar high ranking research official’s signature.
• Email the completed Nomination Form to nominations@v.org.
• After we receive your completed Nomination Form, the nominee will be invited to complete the online application.

Recommendation Letter: Nominees will be asked to upload a letter of recommendation with their online application due at a later time. This letter of recommendation should include:
• A description of the process used to identify your nominee
• Why you chose this nominee
• The institutional resources that will be available to the nominee
• If the nature of the research is bench to bedside with patient contact, describe how patient advocacy/communication will be incorporated into their training.

IMPORTANT DATES:
Nomination Due Date: by 5:00 PM Eastern Time on January 30, 2020
Application Due Date: by 5:00 PM Eastern Time on February 27, 2020

If you have questions about the nomination process, please contact the Grants Team at Grants@v.org for assistance. We are delighted to extend this invitation and look forward to receiving your nomination.

Best Wishes,
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