Applicant Teleconferences: 2010 Call for Applications

California HIV/AIDS Research Program

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CHRP California HIV/AIDS Research Program

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Program Overview

Grants Activities

- **Emphasis on innovative research that does not duplicate research elsewhere**

- **Emphasis on collaboration (also cross-sector)**

- **Emphasis on leverage of grant funds**

- **Emphasis on the California epidemic**

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Call for Applications Overview

- **Reflects the CHRP Strategic Plan, including Stakeholder Input (Survey/RFI and Meetings)**

- **Different offerings for three Research Field Areas:**
  - **Basic Biomedical Sciences**
  - **Clinical Sciences**
  - **Social and Behavioral Sciences**

- **Strategically targets research in most areas (Topic limitations and exclusions in all field areas)**

- **Letters of Intent required for all award types**

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Innovative, Developmental, Exploratory Awards (IDEAs)

- **For Pilot Studies, Innovative Research**

- **High Risk/High Payoff studies is one goal**

- **Emphasis on allowing investigators to pursue new directions**

- **Emphasis on New Investigators**

- **Emphasis on leverage potential**

Application requires a 7 page research proposal and other materials

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Innovative, Developmental, Exploratory Awards (IDEAs): <u>Targeted Themes</u>

Basic Biomedical Sciences:

Topics open; however, for research on non-HIV/SIV infectious agents projects must be directly related to HIV or SIV co-infection

Clinical Sciences:

1. Complications, Co-Morbidities and Long Term Outcomes
2. Therapeutic Strategies for HIV

Social and Behavioral Sciences:

1. HIV-Related Disparities in Highly Impacted, Under-Researched Populations
2. Contextual, Cultural, and Structural Issues in HIV Prevention and Care

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Research Training Awards

- **Only in the Basic Biomedical Sciences category**
- **Dissertation and Postdoctoral Research**
- **U.S. and non-U.S. citizens eligible**
- **Emphasis on Mentor/Trainee relationship**
- **Emphasis on research appropriate for training**

  Dissertation Awards:

  -must have advanced to candidacy

  -must be enrolled in a California doctoral program

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Community Collaborative Research Awards

- **Research partnership between an academic investigator and a CBO, health department, or other service provider**

- **Emphasis on Translational and Applied Research**

- **Emphasis on under-researched and disproportionately affected populations**

Community Collaborative Research Awards
Targeted Theme

Social and Behavioral Sciences:

Practice Informed Prevention Interventions and Care Services Research

- _Application and LOI to be submitted by the CBO partner;_
- _Requires an 11 page research proposal and other materials_

Peer Review Process

NIH-Style Study Sections:

Basic Biomedical Sciences	**Anwer Mujeeb, Ph.D**
Training in Basic Biomedical Sciences	**Anwer Mujeeb, Ph.D**
Clinical Sciences	**Peter Agron, Ph.D**
Social and Behavioral Sciences	**Bart Aoki, Ph.D**

Important Feature: Community Reviewers for all study sections except Basic Biomedical Sciences

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What was funded in 2009?

Applications and Grants by CHRP Award Types
(In Response to the 2009 Call for Applications)

Award Type:	Number of Applications	Grants Funded (success rate)	Amount Awarded	Percentage of Total Funding
Training (Postdoc/Dissertation)	25	12 (48%)	$886,450	17%
IDEA	69	16 (23%)	$3,235,514	61%
Community Collaborative	8	3 (38%)	$1,181,989	22%

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The UCOP Research Program Application & Review Center (PARC)

- In 2008-09 UCOP restructured the grant operations units in the Office of Research & Graduate Studies (ORGS)

- PARC supports the proposal solicitation, receipt, and peer review processes for funding opportunities available through ORGS, and works in collaboration with existing research programs, like CHRP.

- PARC serves as the interface on procedural and administrative aspects of your application and the review process

- PARC contact info: **PARC@ucop.edu**; 510-987-9386

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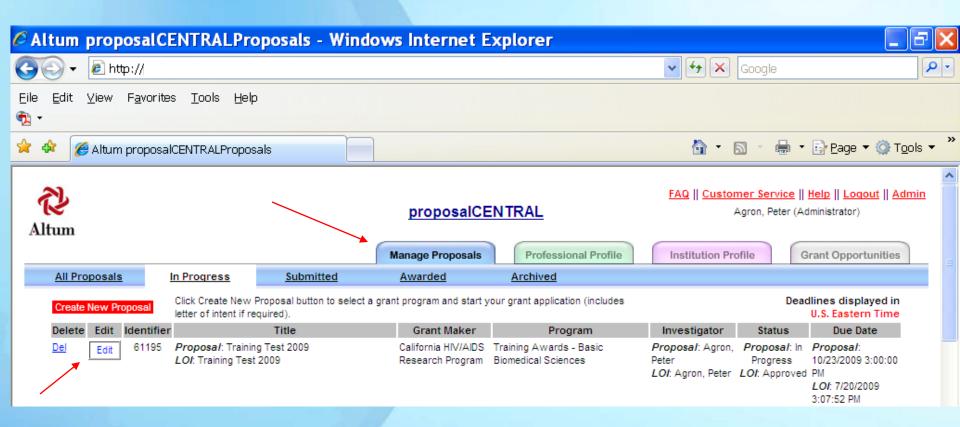# Letters of Intent

- **Required as a prerequisite for all applications**
  a. **<u>Abstract</u> with specified format**
  b. **<u>Program Responsiveness</u> (including targeted themes)**
     - **CHRP determines eligibility to apply**
     - **Rolling approvals: get it in early (& before noon Thursday, July 8)**
     - **LOIs used for the initial identification of peer reviewers**

TIPS:

- **Follow the instructions and guidelines**
- **For submission on proposalCENTRAL, PI/Applicant must initiate the LOI, then can enable access by others to delegate tasks**
- **Recommend that PI/Applicant provide access to collaborators on proposalCENTRAL**

From Approved LOI to Application:

Application Deadline: Friday, Sept 10th, before noon Pacific Time

Questions and Answers

- **Contact PARC for clarifications of application procedures or instructions**

- **Contact designated CHRP program officer for scientific content questions, e.g.: clarification of targeted themes**

- **Contact proposalCENTRAL customer service for technical questions**

Questions from prospective applicants?

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