







A Collaborative Pediatric Cancer Research Awards Program

Rally Foundation for Childhood Cancer Research (Rally) helps fund the most promising research initiatives, and we continue to invest in projects as they make progress. To streamline the grant application process for researchers, reviewers and other childhood cancer organizations, we founded A Collaborative Pediatric Cancer Research Awards Program utilizing ProposalCentral for application submission.

We encourage you to apply and to share this grant opportunity with your colleagues.

Coming Soon! Fellow, Independent Investigator and
Consortium Grant Guidelines

Overview

Eligibility:

Fellows, Research Scientists, Instructors and Professors with MD, DO,
 PharmD and/or PhD degrees.

Rally funds pediatric cancer research in the following areas:

- Innovative approaches to research which could lead to advanced studies or clinical trials.
- Basic science studies that are likely to lead to a new discovery.
- Personalized, targeted, alternative or integrative research proposals.
- Under-studied cancer types.
- Quality of life, survivorship and palliative care studies.
- Data utilization through data standardization, collection, storage, analysis and sharing.

The following will not be reviewed:

- Grants that have no direct relevance to pediatric cancer nor fall within the scope of the Collaborative Grant Application Guidelines.
- Proposals for funding of infrastructure programs.
- Incomplete applications and/or applications received after the deadline.

HOW TO APPLY

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ProposalCentral for application submission.

ProposalCentral Login

Award Categories

Postdoctoral and Clinical Research Fellow Grant – Grants are up to \$50,000 per year for one or two years of support. Fellows in the last year of their fellowship are only eligible for a one-year grant and may apply through the Independent Investigator Grant the following grant cycle. The Collaborative Organizations have an interest in funding Postdoctoral and Clinical Research Fellows. A portion of available funds are reserved for Fellow Grants contingent on scores received.

Independent Investigator Grant – Grants are up to \$50,000 per year for one or two years of support. Researchers under this award identify as either a Young Investigator or an Independent Investigator. Young Investigators are no more than five years post fellowship. The Collaborative Organizations have an interest in funding Young Investigators. A portion of available funds are reserved for Young Investigators contingent on scores received.

<u>Consortium Grant</u> – Grants are up to \$100,000 per year for one or two years of support. Consortiums are three or more institutions collaborating on a grant-supported research project.

<u>Outside the Box Grant</u> – Grants are for one year of support. At the end of the award, researchers may apply for additional funding in the next grant cycle through a Fellow, Independent Investigator or Consortium Grant, as appropriate. Each grant will be awarded \$50,000 for one year.

Fellow, Independent Investigator and Consortium Grants

Letter of Intent

Application opens

August 14, 2023

Due September 22, 2023 at 3:30 PM EST

Full Application (Invitation only)

Application opens

November 6, 2023

Due January 8, 2024 at 3:30 PM EST

Notice of Award

Earliest award notification

April 1, 2024

Start of Grant Term

All funded grants will start on July 1, 2024

Please note that not all grants are awarded in full. Award amounts are determined by a competitive peer-review process and scores received.

FAQS:

Q. How do I determine which grant type to apply under?

A. To determine whether to apply as a fellow or young investigator, consider your position within the institution as of the start of the award period, July 1. Fellows in the last year of their fellowship may only apply for one year of funding. They may apply again the next year as a young investigator. Young investigators are up to five years post fellowship and independent investigators are more than five years post fellowship. A consortium is three or more institutions collaborating on the proposed research project with one lead institution housing the principal investigator.

Q. Is there a limit on the number of Letters of Intent that an institution or principal investigator may submit?

A. No, there is no limit on the number of Letters of Intent that may be submitted by an institution or principal investigator.

Q. How do I access the Letter of Intent application?

A. Applicants must submit proposals electronically through ProposalCentral, an electronic grant submission system provided by Altum, Inc. Access ProposalCentral at https://proposalcentral.com/ and look for A Collaborative Pediatric Cancer Research Awards Program on the Grant Opportunities tab.

Q. How do I request a no cost extension?

A. No Cost Extensions must be requested and approved. Please email Leighanna@RallyFoundation.org your request which states the amount of funds remaining, a brief progress report, an explanation of why you would like an extension, and the length of the extension. If your institution needs approval before the end of your current grant period, please submit your request at least 2 weeks before the grant end date.

Q. What if I need to re-budget my grant?

A. Re-budget requests must be submitted to Leighanna@RallyFoundation.org with an explanation of each change and a comparison between the original budget and the revised budget.

Q. What if I have funds remaining at the end of the grant date?

A. Any unused and remaining amounts must be returned to the Rally Foundation unless an approved No Cost Extension is on file.

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