

GRANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Another Look: Better Health for Elders in Care Facilities

Program overview

The Donaghue Foundation is pleased to offer a sixth round of the **Another Look** grant program. **Another Look** will provide funding for researchers to use existing data sources to answer a research question that has the near term potential to improve health. To date, the Donaghue Foundation has made 25 **Another Look** awards totaling \$3.2 million. In 2018, the focus will continue to be on improving quality of care and quality of life for the elderly population in care facilities.

Another Look 2018 program summary

This program provides funding for health-related research projects that can improve the quality of care and the quality of life for the elderly population in nursing homes or other care facilities. Specifically, this program invites researchers to address a particular problem affecting the elderly in care facilities with data that already exists. New data collection will not be allowed in this program.

This year, the Foundation welcomes all topics related to improving the health of elders in care facilities, but is particularly interested in receiving letters of intent on the following topics:

- The treatment of substance abuse and dependency or other mental health conditions other than delirium and dementia
- Healthcare decisions by conservators or guardians and their effects on residents of care facilities
- Interventions that improve oral health
- Interventions that reduce disparities in health status

Researchers applying for this grant must identify a stakeholder in the care delivery or policy arena with whom they will either consult or collaborate and who is willing to work with the researcher to develop a research product that may be readily used to improve care or quality of life.

In 2018, the Foundation will invest approximately \$750,000 in this grant program. Our goal is to award up to six two-year projects.

Who may apply

This program is open to PhD (or equivalent) investigators at tax-exempt research institutions in the United States. In order to receive the award, the applicant must demonstrate how their research question is important to the stakeholder and propose a rigorous research design. Stakeholder organizations cannot be the applicant organization. Grantees may use this award to augment funding for a project already funded through another grant.

Timeline for application process

The application process will have two phases. Phase 1 is a letter of intent and is due by 5:00pm on February 5, 2018. Following a review of all letters of intent, we will begin Phase 2 by inviting some applicants to complete a more substantial application.

February 5, 2018 Letter of intent deadline

April 16, 2018 Applications due August 2018 Grant term begins

LETTER OF INTENT REQUIREMENTS

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Letter of Intent

The Foundation and members of the science review committee will review the submissions and invite investigators with research projects meeting the Foundation's goals for this program to submit an application. These invitations will be sent to applicants within three weeks after the LOI deadline. Applications are due on April 16, 2018.

Our letter of intent review is a blinded process. Applicants' names and their institutions will not be seen by the Donaghue staff and science review committee members who are participating in this phase of the review process. Letters of intent will be reviewed for the research idea only. When the full applications are reviewed, however, all information contained in the application including applicants' bios and their institutions will be a part of the review process.

Your research idea will be evaluated on the following criteria:

- The description of the proposed dataset that you plan on using.
- The potential for creating knowledge that will lead to a near term impact on improving health.
- The role of the stakeholder in this research project.
- The significance of the research topic.

Please complete the LOI Form that can be found on our website. The form must be submitted electronically to cloud@donaghue.org by the principal investigator. The letter of intent form must be emailed to the Donaghue Foundation at cloud@donaghue.org by 5:00pm on February 5, 2018.

Because the letters of intent phase is blinded, the Foundation cannot receive questions via phone calls. For questions or further information, please contact Stacy Cloud at cloud@donaghue.org.