



Massey Cancer Center Pilot Project Program Call for Applications

The VCU Massey Cancer Center (MCC) is announcing funding opportunities for pilot projects to encourage new collaborative cancer research. The intent of these projects is to provide initial funding for new, cancer focused collaborative projects with significant involvement of at least two independent investigators. All MCC members are eligible to apply.

For the current funding cycle, special emphasis will be given to projects involving **immunology, obesity, inflammation and metabolism, tumor microenvironment/microbiome research and population based sciences**. Preference will be given to projects that have at least one aim that addresses cancer disparities or focuses on minority health research. For the current cycle, at least one project will be awarded in the cancer prevention and control (CPC) area, with priority given to inter-programmatic projects showing a CPC investigator collaborating with a member of another MCC program. MCC is particularly interested in projects that span disciplines. Awards are issued up to \$50,000 for a one-year period. Smaller projects with budgets significantly less than \$50,000 are also acceptable. Applicants with active MCC pilot projects or multi-investigator grants can only apply if their projects end before the proposed start date for the new awards, *October 1, 2019*.

All interested investigators must submit a Pre-Application Form - DUE July 1, 2019

(Please review the Submission and Budget Guidelines before submitting a pre-application)

Applications that fit the purpose of this program will be invited to submit a

Full Application - DUE August 1, 2019

NEW 2019 Submission and Budget Guidelines and the Pre-Application Form are available:

<http://www.massey.vcu.edu/research/funding/pilot-project-program/>

Contact: Olivia Patterson - opatterson@vcu.edu or 628-3400.

Submissions: Pre-applications and full applications must be sent to mccsubmission@vcu.edu.

Applicants are required to cite the MCC core grant (P30 CA016059) and obtain a PMCID number for any publication resulting from pilot project funding. Failure to do so will jeopardize any future pilot funding for all authors.