2021 – 2022 SPH Kickstarter Awards

The SPH Kickstarter Awards are intended to support pre-award activities that advance the preparation of high-quality grant or contract applications. Applicants must have an extramural RFA or other opportunity identified, and plan to submit the application through SPH.

Activities acceptable under this award include (but are not limited to) short methodological or content-oriented consultative services (e.g., project design, sample size estimates, measure development), technical writing support, preliminary data analysis, focus groups with stakeholders, and start-up or development activities with community partners. Funds can be spent for student worker(s), resources or incentives for community partners, external consultants, or university-affiliated fee-for-service research units or cores. *Funds may NOT be spent on faculty or staff salary.*

**Eligibility:**

i. PSU faculty with primary appointment in OHSU-PSU SPH
ii. OHSU faculty with primary appointment in OHSU-PSU SPH.
iii. Each faculty applicant can only receive one Kickstarter Award during a 12-month period.

**Budget:** $500 - $5000 may be requested.

**Funding Start/End Dates:** Applications accepted beginning May 1, 2021, and will be accepted on a rolling basis through March 31, 2022. *Funds must be spent within 6 months of receipt.*

**Application should include the following:**

a) Project title
b) Principal Investigator(s) contact information
c) Application (1 page):
   i. **Needs statement:** Briefly describe how the requested funding will facilitate and/or improve the quality of the planned funding submission.
ii. **Specific Aims** for the planned proposal (can be draft),
iii. **Overview of the funding opportunity** that will be pursued, along with due date. A link to the funding announcement (NIH or other agency/foundation) or other documentation of the funding opportunity being sought is required for the application to be reviewed.
iv. **Timeline** for completion of the pre-award activities (short paragraph or simple diagram).
v. **Budget:** Short description of how funds will be spent (see template). Please provide a quote from university-affiliated research service unit(s) or other consultant/fee-for-service collaborator, if applicable.

**Submission Process:** Submit application through the OHSU Competitive Application Portal (CAP), [https://ohsu.infoready4.com/](https://ohsu.infoready4.com/). Click on *SPH Kickstarter Award.*

**Review Process:** Applications will be reviewed by 2-3 members of the SPH Research Committee. Applicant will be notified within 1 week of receipt.

**Investigator responsibilities and reporting:** Successful applicants will be asked to provide information on status of grant application, including submission and review dates, as well as funding outcomes via the CAP Portal.