The CHS Office of Research is requesting applications to support small research initiatives. Priority will be given to projects with the highest likelihood of generating preliminary data to support meritorious extramural grant applications. Funds to support projects with the potential for generating publications and other scholarly research products will also be considered. This year the funding amounts for the pilot studies will be up to $7,500 per pilot award. Grants will be funded based on merit and available budget. For senior researchers, the funds must be used for developing new areas of research, not for continuation or variations of existing faculty research programs.

The deadline for submissions is November 30, 2018. Award announcements will be made in mid-December, and the funding period will be January-December 2019.

Please provide:

- **Title of study or request.**
- **PI and Co-Investigator affiliations and roles in the project.**
- **Project description (brief, 1 page).** Include hypothesis and existing data to support the hypothesis. If requesting funds for equipment/software, describe use. Equipment to be used by multiple investigators will be given highest priority.
- **Budget and justification.** Include quotes, if appropriate.
- **Current other support available to PI.**
- **Description of how the project/equipment will lead to generation of a grant application.** If no funding is expected, indicate N/A.
- **If applicable, specific plan for securing extramural funding, including agencies and dates of planned submission.**
- **Have you previously received funding for a CHS pilot study?** Yes ___ No ___
  If Yes: **What year(s):** ______________
  Funds awarded & description of how they were utilized:
  - Was a summary report provided at the end of each study: Yes ___ No ___
  - Did any publications/scholarly activity result from the pilot study? Yes ___ No ___
    Please describe:

**List extramural grants submitted.** Include:
- Date submitted:
- Agency:
- Status: Pending ___ Un-scored ___ Scored ___ Funded ___

Those receiving pilot study awards will be expected to write a brief (less than 1 page) summary report of experiments performed and a list of submitted grants, grants in preparation, and/or publications based on findings at the end of the fiscal year.

Please submit applications directly to the Office of Research, either in person or via email to phkitz1@uky.edu

Thank you!

Sincerely,
CHS Office of Research