Pilot Funding Opportunity

The Southeast Center for Agricultural Health and Injury Prevention (SCAHIP), a research program at the University of Kentucky which is funded by the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH/CDC), announces the availability of funds to support regionally relevant health and safety pilot projects for the Agriculture, Forestry, and Fishing Sector. Awards will be made for up to $12,000 (direct plus indirect) and will be available for pilot studies from October 1, 2019 to September 30, 2020. Five to seven grants will be awarded.

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The SCAHIP will consider well-designed research, education, or prevention/ intervention feasibility projects that focus on improving occupational safety and health among workers in production agriculture, forestry, and commercial fishing/aquaculture. Priority will be given to applicants from Alabama, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, and West Virginia, however other contiguous states will be considered. New faculty, doctoral students, residents in occupational medicine, Extension specialists, and other professionals who have not received a major grant award in agricultural health research are especially encouraged to apply.

SCAHIP will consider any well-designed research, education, or prevention/ intervention project addressing agricultural safety and health concerns.

Proposal narratives should not exceed 5 to 7 pages but must include
- Abstract
- Specific Aims (enumerated 1, 2, 3...)
- Research plan
- 11 month timeline
- Detailed budget (no salaries may exceed $192,300)

Applicants must attach
- Biographical sketches for key personnel
- Letter(s) of support
- IRB approval notice – or copy of pending IRB application

Proposal narratives should clearly state the proposal’s significance and anticipated outcomes / impact, including expectations regarding any further research (e.g., R01 type projects). Proposals are welcomed from doctoral students and post-doctoral fellows, occupational and preventive medicine residents, junior faculty and graduate students with the knowledge, skills, and access necessary to complete the project. Students must have a faculty mentor serve as principal investigator. Principal investigators must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents.

The University Grants Office must sign off on the proposal budget.
There will not be any no-cost extensions granted for the pilot study, the final invoice must be received and posted by the University of Kentucky within 45 days of the end date of September 29, 2020.

All applicant institutions should have a PHS-compliant financial conflict of interest policy. Applicants must document compliance with DHHS Regulations (45 CFR 46) on the protection of human research participants. Prior to funding, documentation must be provided to demonstrate that the project has met initial Institutional Review Board requirements and will be subject to continuing IRB approval (or has been deemed Exempt). Projects must meet DHHS requirements regarding inclusion of women, minorities, and children, and use of animal subjects, as well as restrictions against use of these funds for lobbying.

Awardees will be required to submit a final summary report within 90 days of project completion. Awardees will also be required to provide indication of SCAHIP support on all presentations and publications resulting from the research and provide citations for presentations and publications for SCAHIP records.

Send proposal and required attachments to:

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