Announcement for the Center for Bioethics and Medical Humanities Program Development Grant

2017

About the Center for Bioethics and Medical Humanities:

The vision of the Center for Bioethics and Medical Humanities is to lead local, national, and global efforts in bioethics and medical humanities that improve healthcare education, delivery, research, and scholarship. The mission of the Center for Bioethics and Medical Humanities is to advance bioethics and medical humanities at Northwestern and beyond through education, innovation, clinical application and thought leadership.

Purpose:

The Center for Bioethics and Medical Humanities will fund grants that support the development of programing in bioethics and medical humanities at Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine. This award will provide funding for projects that provide a foundation for sustainable programing in bioethics and medical humanities. Such programing may include, but is not limited to, fostering: education in bioethics and medical humanities; the implementation of clinical ethics consultation; engagement of trainees, staff or faculty in bioethics and medical humanities; or community engagement in bioethics and medical humanities. Possible use of funds includes, but is not limited to:

- Travel to a specific conference
- Sponsoring an outside speaker(s)
- Organizing and hosting a meetingCONFERENCE OR SERIES OF MEETINGS/CONFERENCES

Preference will be given to proposals with a clearly delineated plan for sustainable programing.

Award Information:

Projects can be up to one year in duration. Awards for up to $2500.00 (total costs) will be granted.

Eligibility

To be eligible for a pilot/exploratory project grant, applicants must be one of the following:

- A Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine medical student, resident, or fellow*
- An employee of Northwestern Memorial Hospital, the Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago, or Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children’s Hospital*
- A Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine faculty member

*All medical students, residents, fellows, and employees should identify a Northwestern University Faculty member mentor with whom to collaborate. Mentor qualifications and plans for mentor oversight should be described in the proposal.
Requirements:

All awardees will agree to the following:

- **Become a member** of the Center for Bioethics and Medical Humanities
- Present results of the funded program at a conference sponsored by the Center for Bioethics and Medical Humanities.
- Prepare two progress reports, one half way through the period of funding, and one at the end of the period of funding.
- To acknowledge funding from the Center for Bioethics and Medical Humanities in presentations and publications.

How to apply:

Applications must be submitted electronically as a pdf to Bryan Morrison at bryan-morrison@northwestern.edu. Applications should not exceed 6 pages and should include the following:

- A Cover Sheet (1 page) completed and signed by the application and the mentor (if applicable)
- A proposal narrative with the following headings (up to 4 pages):
  - Abstract (one paragraph ≤ 500 word describing the project)
  - Background and Specific Aims
  - Significance
  - Approach
  - Next Steps
  - Timeline
- Budget with budget justification (1 page)

Review Criteria:

Applications will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

- Background/Significance - How well does the applications describe the background and need for the program? If the specific aims are achieved, would the project make a significant/important contribution to the institution and how significant/important is this contribution?
- Approach - Are the strategy, methods, and analyses (if applicable) well-reasoned and appropriate to accomplish the aims?
- Mentor qualifications and plans for oversight (If applicable)
- Plans for subsequent funding - Are the plans for developing sustainable programing adequately described? What is the likelihood of this project leading to sustainable programing?

Important Dates:

- **Deadline for submitting applications:** September 30, 2017 at 5 PM CST.
- **Funding decisions communicated:** November/December 2017
- **Funds released:** January 1, 2017

Questions:

Please contact Dr. Kelly Michelson, Director of the Center for Bioethics and Medical Humanities, with any questions. kmichelson@luriechildrens.org.
Proposal for Center for Bioethics and Medical Humanities Program Development Grant

Cover Page

Project Title: ____________________________________________________________

Amount Requested: _______________________________________________________

Principal Investigator:

Name: ___________________________________________________________________

Title: ___________________________________________________________________

Please indicate your affiliation:

- Northwester University Feinberg School of Medicine medical student
- Northwester University Feinberg School of Medicine resident or fellow
  o Please indicate Department/Division _______________________________________
- Northwester University Feinberg School of Medicine faculty member
  o Please indicate Department/Division _______________________________________
- An employee of Northwestern Memorial Hospital, the Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago, or Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children’s Hospital (please specify):
  - Northwestern Memorial Hospital
  - The Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago
  - Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children’s Hospital of Chicago

Address: _________________________________________________________________

Email: ___________________________________________________________________

Phone number: ___________________________________________________________

Signature: ___________________________ Date: _____________________________

Endorsements:

Faculty mentor (if applicable): _______________________________________________

Signature of faculty mentor: _______________________________________________