

## Cancer Education Grant Program (R25E)

### **PURPOSE**

To develop and sustain innovative educational approaches that ultimately will contribute to the decrease of cancer incidence, morbidity, and mortality, and to the improvement of the quality of life of cancer survivors.

### **ELIGIBILITY**

**Degree Type:** varies

**Award Type:** specialized institutional

**Career Stage:** all career stages

**Other:**

- Domestic for profit or non-profit organizations
- Principal Investigator is the Program Leader and must be an expert in the field of choice

### **FUNDING**

Direct Cost Max/Year: \$300,000

Period of Support:

- The grant is not renewable if used to develop an academic curriculum for new education approaches which the institution should standardize and assume the responsibility for beyond the 5-year project period. Examples of such programs are education programs in pain management and palliative care, or development of nutrition curriculum in academic institutions. In such cases, the applicant institution is expected to continue the program beyond the 5-year project period
- The grant is renewable for programs designed to stabilize and strengthen activities for the long term (e.g., short term research experiences to motivate medical, nursing, public health, and other health professionals to pursue cancer research careers)

### **DETAILS**

NCI's Cancer Education Grant Program (CEGP) (R25E) is a flexible, primarily curriculum-driven program aimed at developing and sustaining innovative educational approaches that ultimately will have an impact on reducing cancer incidence, morbidity, mortality, and on improving the quality of life of cancer survivors.

The CEGP invites investigator initiated R25E grant applications that pursue a wide range of objectives from short courses, national forums, seminars, and/or hands on workshops designed to educate scientists, health care professionals, students and the lay community; to the design, development and evaluation of new curricula of special significance to cancer in educational institutions; structured short term didactic and research experiences designed to motivate high school, college and medical, dental, and other health professional students to pursue careers in cancer research; to the development and evaluation of new educational methods and tools directed at special audiences (e.g., minorities and underserved populations); to Web-based and virtual approaches to cancer education.

The range of possibilities for this award are unlimited, as long as they focus on new approaches to cancer education that can be disseminated effectively and potentially have wide applicability.

New applicants may request up to 5 years of support in a single grant period in order to develop or maintain a specific education program. The maximum support in direct costs per year is \$300,000. In general, allowable costs must be consistent with NIH policy and the recommendations of peer reviewers. These costs include but are not limited to the following: personnel costs, supplies, student compensation, student subsistence allowance, student costs, consultant costs, equipment, travel, subcontractual costs, and other expenses.

Eligible institutions include: for profit or non-profit organizations and professional societies; public or private institutions, such as universities, colleges, hospitals, and laboratories; units of state and local

governments; eligible agencies of the Federal government; and Faith-based or community-based organizations. Eligibility to apply for a grant is normally limited to domestic institutions. Under special circumstances foreign institutions may request a formal waiver of this requirement after consulting with and receiving written approval from NCI.

The Program Leader/Principal Investigator must be an expert educator/investigator in the proposed field and be able to provide both administrative and scientific leadership to the Program. Racial/ethnic minority individuals, women, and persons with disabilities are encouraged to apply as Principal Investigators. R25E grant applications submitted under this announcement may not be used to conduct traditional research or training.

## **REVIEW CRITERIA**

### Cancer Education Program

- Novelty
- Significance to cancer research and/or to the reduction of cancer incidence on morbidity, and mortality, and to improvement of quality of life
- Qualifications and appropriateness of the Program Leader
- Qualifications and appropriateness of participating faculty
- Scientific and technical merit
- Adequacy to meet short- and long-range objectives
- Merit and adequacy of the evaluation plan to assess program effectiveness
- When appropriate, adequacy of plans for diffusion or dissemination of knowledge gained
- When appropriate, adequacy of plans for inclusion of minorities, women and children
- When appropriate, adequacy of plans for protection of human subjects

### Budget

- Adequacy of budget and duration of support needed to achieve stated goals and objectives

### Additional Review Criteria for Specific Types of R25E Programs

For programs involving curriculum development:

- Adequacy of the institutional commitment to continuing the Program after the period of grant support ends
- For competing renewal applications, adequacy of justification for continued support

For education programs involving short term experiences:

- Adequacy of the faculty commitment to the program
- Adequacy of the research support base and the educational environment
- Adequacy of the candidate pool size
- Appropriateness of candidate recruitment plans, including plans for recruitment of minority candidates
- Potential for impacting the participants choice of a research career in cancer
- Potential for attracting participants back for repeated short-term appointments
- Adequacy of plans for evaluating the impact of the training experience on the research careers of the participants

## **DATES TO APPLY**

NEW APPLICATION RECEIPT DATES	INITIAL REVIEW DATES	NCAB REVIEW DATES
February 1	May/June	September/October
June 1	October/November	January/February
October 1	February/March	May/June

## **APPLICATION FORMS**

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/funding/phs398/phs398.html>

**PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT (PAR-03-093) and NOTICE (NOT-CA-02-009)**

Program Announcement: <http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-03-093.html>

Notice: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-CA-02-009.html>

**FURTHER INFORMATION**

Cancer Education Grant Program

<http://cancertraining.nci.nih.gov/cancerEd/cancered.html>

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