

Questions and Answers from May 31 through June 8

FY 2016-2017 Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) Ed and Ethel Moore Alzheimer's Disease Research Program

1. Our program is looking to submit 2 applications in one category. What are the restrictions or guidelines for the submission of one grant application per Priority Area this funding cycle?

Research organizations are eligible to apply for no more than <u>seven</u> Standard Grants that address the priority areas listed in Section 2. Organizations choosing to submit more than one Standard Grant application may have no more than three applications in a single Priority Area.

Research organizations are eligible to apply for no more than <u>four</u> Pilot Grants that address one of the Priority Areas listed in the previous section. If an institution submits more than one Pilot Grant application, no more than two applications may be in the same Priority Area.

Research organizations are eligible to apply for no more than <u>three</u> Postdoctoral Research Fellowship Grants. Organizations choosing to submit two or more Postdoctoral Research Fellowship Grant applications must assure that they address different focus areas (1-4) listed under Priority Area 5.

The Principal Investigator may not submit two or more applications in which they are listed as the PI to the Program during the same FOA.

2. I am writing for clarification regarding eligibility for the Ed and Ethel Moore Alzheimer's Disease Research Program Funding Opportunity: FY 2016-2017

In the eligibility section the language below is included.

Although the Principal Investigator submitting the application may not be a (fulltime or part-time) employee of a VA hospital, the grant application may list collaborators from a VA hospital among the key personnel.

Does this mean that VA Researchers who are employees of a VA Healthcare System are no longer eligible to apply for this award?

VA institutions are not eligible to apply. However, other applying research institutions can collaborate with researchers at VA institutions. Please review the following language from the Definitions section of the FY 2016-2017 FOA:

Eligible Institution: Any public university, non-public institution, or established research institute (see specific definitions of each) in Florida.

Established Research Institute: An established research institute eligible for Program funding is an organization that is any Florida nonprofit covered under Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, with a physical location in Florida, whose stated purpose and powers are scientific, biomedical or biotechnological research and/or development and is legally registered with the Florida Department of State, Division of Corporations. For purposes of this competition, federal government and nonprofit medical and surgical hospitals including Veteran's Administration hospitals are not considered eligible research institutes.

The following language from the Eligibility Requirements section provides further information:

To be eligible as a Principal Investigator at an eligible institution, the individual must be a full-time faculty member or researcher employed by the lead institution by the time the application is submitted. Temporary faculty members/researchers, even though full-time, are not eligible to apply.

3. I applied to the 'Ed and Ethel Moore Alzheimer's Disease Research Program' funding opportunity.

I would like to know, after the application, how long does it take for review and contact me back if changes/modifications are needed?

The main application for Program funding will not open until July 15. It is likely that you have submitted the Letter of Intent. This is the first step in the application process. The LOI must be completed before you begin an application for funding. If the LOI is not completed before you begin the main application, your application will not be considered for funding.

LOIs may be submitted through the online application system until 5:00 p.m. EST on July 8, 2016. Department staff will conduct an eligibility review of the LOIs. If an eligibility issue is identified in an LOI, Department staff will notify the researcher's Sponsored Research Official on or before July 15th, 2016. Please refer to the Schedule of Important Dates located on pages 16 and 17 of the Funding Opportunity Announcement for other deadlines.