



Questions and Answers August 9 – 29, 2018

FY 2018-2019 Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) Ed and Ethel Moore Alzheimer's Disease Research Program

1. **Could you please define “certified fellowship training program”? On page 12 of the Funding Opportunities Announcement, in the description of Priority Area 5, it states that eligibility is restricted to institutions must have a certified fellowship-training program? Our faculty asked for clarification and examples of programs that meet this requirement.**

Each scientific, medical or health-related discipline has a professional national or international society or organization (i.e., ACGME: Accreditation Council of General Medical Education, Geriatric Medicine Fellowship, Specialty Training in Neuropsychology Program, etc.) dedicated to improving the care, distribution of information, knowledge base, education, training, and professional standards of people in that discipline. The society/organization sets criteria for the training goals, curriculum, mentorship, etc. for the fellowship training program to be accredited and thus certified. Some fellowships are more “casual” or “unofficial” and not certified though the work of the fellow may be very important. These casual or unofficial fellowships are not eligible for this funding opportunity. The online application has a field where you may upload a copy of a certificate or letter of approval from the relevant accrediting body. Examples include

2. **I am an Assistant Scientist, full time researcher at a Florida based institution. In the FOA we saw: *"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 and may have a joint appointment by more than one research institution that totals full time employment."* and we thought I can be the PI. However, now when I am doing the online application, it says: *"Principal Investigator is a full-time faculty member (or full-time faculty equivalent)"* and we want to be sure I can be the PI or my collaborator, that hold a faculty position, should be the PI. Could you please clarify this to us?**

Please review the following copied text from page 30 of the FOA.

Full-time Faculty: Full-time Faculty positions are defined as teaching, clinical, and research appointments carrying classroom teaching, laboratory teaching, clinical

teaching or service, or research assignments equal to at least nine months per fiscal year or 0.75 FTE. This includes tenured, tenure-track, and non-tenure track appointments.

Full-time Equivalent (FTE): The definition of a Full-time Equivalent must be in accordance with the institution's policy, used consistently by the institution regardless of the source of support, and may be different in terms of actual months per year or days per week at the applicant institution.

3. I would like to resubmit an application that was not granted last year. Is this possible? If so, what format should be used for re-submissions? Should changes be indicated on the revised proposal? Also does the *response to reviewers* go on a separate file?

Yes, applicants may resubmit previously submitted applications. Applicants must provide a succinct summary of the areas that have been revised since the initial submission and upload it in the designated area of the online application system. Reviewer responses may also be included in this section.

Please review the following copied text from page 22 of the FOA.

Revised application: An application that was submitted to the Ed and Ethel Moore Alzheimer's Disease Research Program, but not funded. Applications must identify areas that have been revised from the initial submission.

4. Where is the page limit for the Research/Project plan?

Limits are listed for each section of the application within the online application system.

5. May I include a payed collaborator from another state?

Please review the following copied text from page 27 of the FOA.

Work Must Occur in Florida: Activities funded through this competition must occur in Florida. All work (effort) must occur and funds must be spent in Florida at the applicant organization and any collaborating entities. However, the Department may make exceptions if the service is essential and only provided outside the state, and if the amount is less than 10 percent of the requested amount.