Education: Conference Grants

EDUC 1: Funding Opportunity for Conference Grants

The mission of California Institute for Regenerative Medicine (CIRM) is to accelerate stem cell therapies to patients with unmet medical needs.

The objective of this program announcement (PA) is to create a highly competitive opportunity for CIRM to support valuable mission-specific scientific conferences. A scientific conference is defined as an organized event where persons physically assemble to exchange scientific information and explore a defined scientific subject relevant to CIRM’s mission. Support of such conferences is contingent on the fiscal and programmatic priorities of CIRM at time of submission.

Under this program, CIRM will only accept applications for review of conferences aligned with CIRM’s short and long-term goals. In addition, CIRM may issue specific requests for applications to develop a conference in collaboration with CIRM to fulfill a specifically defined need.

Please see the PA for full details and submission deadlines:


CIRM will not be accepting applications for EDUC1 in 2018 or 2019.

EDUC 1.5: Funding Opportunity to Manage the 2020 SPARK Annual Meeting

The mission of California Institute for Regenerative Medicine (CIRM) is to accelerate stem cell therapies to patients with unmet medical needs.

The objective of this request for applications (RFA) is to solicit a highly qualified applicant to develop and manage the 2020 annual meeting in support of the CIRM SPARK program. The SPARK program provides hands-on summer training opportunities in stem cell research at leading stem cell institutes to California high school students who represent the diversity of the state’s population. The meeting conducted under this RFA will showcase the scientific accomplishments of the student participants, create networking opportunities, and feature presentations from scientists in the field.

Please see the RFA for full details and submission deadlines:

- EDUC 1.5: Funding Opportunity to Manage the 2020 SPARK Annual Meeting [pdf]

Applications for EDUC 1.5 are due by 2pm on November 8, 2019.

To Submit an Application:

1. Go to the Grants Management Portal (https://grants.cirm.ca.gov) and log in with your existing CIRM Username and Password. If you do not have a Username, Click on the "New User" link and follow the instructions to create a CIRM Username and password.
2. After logging in, Click on the Menu tab. Select the tab labeled "Open Programs". Under the section labeled "RFAs and Programs Open for Applications", click on the "Start a Grant Application" link for your selected program.
3. Complete each section of the Application by clicking on the appropriate link and following the posted instructions. Proposal templates can be located and submitted under the "Uploads" section.

4. To submit your Application, click on the "Done with Application" button. The "Done with Application" button will be enabled when all of the mandatory sections have been completed. Please note that once this has been selected, you will no longer be able to make changes to your Application.

5. To confirm submission of your Application, select the tab labeled "Your Applications" and check the table under the section labeled "Your Submitted Applications". You will see your Application number and project title listed once the submission process has been completed.

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