

# **Summer Research Proposals – May 16, 2019 to June 30, 2019**

## **Solicitation for Rural Health and Communities Grand Challenge**

The University of North Dakota (UND) Rural Health and Communities Grand Challenge Team is soliciting applications from faculty to support UND's research activities, and external funding capacity, to address the unique health and social problems of rural communities. (One UND, Goal 4).

This solicitation supports the advancement of UND's goal of submissions for funding that address the limitations of access to resources in rural communities to include health care, social supports, and education. It supports the advancement of job and food security in rural communities - including expanding access to education, housing, and transportation supports.

Specifically, the Rural Health and Communities Grand Challenge Committee is encouraging proposals that aim to improve health care outcomes and address social problems, based on fidelity. The need to secure mentorship in proposal preparation is paramount. The intent is to select proposals that display the capacity to develop a proposal for funding that incorporates faculty expertise, based on an inter-professional approach. The proposal should communicate an understanding of rural communities' unique issues and effectively uses mentorship to assist in securing external funding. An expectation exists that external funding will be requested, from either a foundation or a government entity, of at least \$200,000 if an award is provided via this solicitation.

### **Time Line:**

- RFP Announcement - March 15, 2019
- Submission Date – April 8, 2019 (5:00 p.m. CST)
- Announcement of Funding Awards – April 19, 2019

### **Internal Grant Amount:**

Up to 5 to 8 awards. Awards are \$5,000.00 to \$10,000.00 each and can focus on:

- Workforce Development
- Addressing policies that create healthcare disparities
- Health and Well-Being
- Population Health
- Telehealth and/or Tele-mental health
- Or other Areas Related to Rural Health and Communities

### **Proposal Format:**

The proposal should be no more than 4 pages in length (single sided, double-spaced and 12-point font) and should include the following information:

- Statement of intended study including topics the research team plans to address (a minimum of two disciplines required)
- List anticipated future funding entity(ies)
- Include brief bio-sketches for team members and mentor
- Describe how the research will serve UND and advance Rural Health and Communities Grand Challenge
- Include budget and budget justification including cost of personnel for investigators and mentor from May 16 to June 30. The budget should reflect capacity for strong outcomes to secure external funding

### Proposal Submission:

All proposals must be submitted electronically by April 8, 2019 to Brenda Halle [Brenda.halle@und.edu](mailto:Brenda.halle@und.edu) Any questions related to this submission can be addressed by contacting Thomasine Heitkamp, 7-4950 [thomasine.heitkamp@und.edu](mailto:thomasine.heitkamp@und.edu).