

CNHS Dean's Research Incentive Seed Grants Evaluation Rubric – Spring 2016

Principal Investigator(s):
Title:

Dollar Amount Requested:

1.Overall Impact/Potential for extramural funding

- Is there evidence that the proposed work will advance the PI's research plan?
- Does the applicant clearly state how, if the aims of the study are fulfilled, s/he will be positioned to apply for funding from external agencies?
- Does the proposal position the individual to have a successful application to external agencies?
- Is the list of external agencies feasible, realistic? That is, do the priorities of the external funding agencies match the proposed project focus

2. Significance

- Does the PI explain how the project addresses an important problem in the field (i.e., is it convincing and supported with evidence)?
- Does the PI explain how, if the aims of the project are achieved, knowledge, technical capability, and/or clinical practice be improved?
- Does the project fit with CNHS priorities?

3. Investigator(s)

- Are the PD/PIs, collaborators, and other researchers well suited to the project?
- Do they have appropriate experience and training?

5. Approach

- Are the overall strategy, methodology, and analyses well-reasoned to accomplish the specific aims of the project?
- Are potential methodological limitations, problems, and alternative strategies presented?

• Is there IBS or IRB approval if needed for the project? If not, is there a realistic, planned date for submission that accounts for IRB schedules and will allow timely completion of the project?

6. Environment

• Will the scientific environment in which the work will be done, including equipment, space, collaborative arrangements, or professional connections, contribute to the probability of success?

Budget

- Is the budget appropriate given the proposed work?
- Is it reasonable and realistic?