Rolling Team Building Description and Call for Applications

The Southern California Clinical and Translational Science Institute is seeking applications for **team building activities of up to $3,000 each** from small research teams. This mechanism is intended to provide rapid funding for activities that promote the SC CTSI goal of assembling new multidisciplinary or transdisciplinary teams focused on clinical and community research, particularly those that are grounded in the team science principles ([https://sc-ctsi.org/training-education/team-science-training](https://sc-ctsi.org/training-education/team-science-training)) principles. Examples include, but are not limited to:

**Conference/workshops/seminars:** Highest priority will be given to topics and formats that are focused on strategies for building new collaborations between individuals and/or groups from diverse disciplines and/or which apply team science principles. Registration must be broadly available to the SC CTSI affiliated community. The proposals should provide a proposed agenda, list of participants and the anticipated location. Follow-up meeting plans and communication plans are also required as well as evidence of commitment from key stakeholders. The contributions of the SC CTSI must be recognized in all meeting promotions.

**New team development:** Highest priority will be given to activities focused on development of new research partnerships across disciplines (brainstorming to engage specialists from different disciplines to address clinical and community research questions, landscape analysis, white paper development). Proposals should describe how the activities will be focused on building a successful collaborative, multidisciplinary or transdisciplinary team capable of moving forward in a new research direction and securing new research funding.

**Crowdsourcing (Citizen Science):** Highest priority will be given to research teams exploring crowdsourcing mechanisms to engage large communities of individuals and to work collaboratively to accomplish a defined task or find a solution for a defined problem that will take a longer time and/or more money to achieve in a traditional research setting. The proposal should describe how the specific problems or tasks relate to clinical and community research, the advantage of using crowdsourcing vs traditional research methods, and the strategies to engage stakeholders to participate. Several strategies can be proposed in the same proposal if the intent is to compare the effectiveness of each recruitment method.

**Eligibility:**
- Full-time faculty members at USC and CHLA as of the date of the award are eligible to apply as PI.
- Postdocs, residents, fellows, students, and community members can serve as co-PIs.
- Investigators may only submit one application as PI or Co-PI. However, a PI can be on more than one grant if he/she participates as a co-investigator.

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