In its pursuit of better, more effective health policy, the Health Policy Institute will continue its funding program for 2018 to support TMC collaborations devoted to policy impact through research. The Institute will award a total of $750,000 in November of 2017 for innovative, one-year projects. A Letter of Intent is required, through on-line submittal, by June 15, 2017. Applications, by invitation, will be accepted on-line until August 15, 2017 at 5pm.

The TMC Funding Program in Collaborative Health Policy Research

Eligibility

Letters of Intent and applications are strictly limited to Texas Medical Center member organizations. Collaboration and funding may include 501(c)(3) organizations with permission.

Award Criteria

- New, significant collaboration among 3 or more TMC member organizations.
- Innovative, 12-month project.
- Assurance of impact on public policy at the state or federal level in 3-5 years.
- Explicit link to health.
- Financially prudent budget.

Letter of Intent

A Letter of Intent is required and must include:
- Brief description of the research and its connection to the 5 award criteria listed above,
- A list of intended collaborators,
- Estimated budget total for each organization.

Those intending to revise an unsuccessful proposal submitted in 2016 should indicate where revisions will be made.

Letters will be reviewed and invitations to submit for those qualified will immediately follow.

Letters of Intent should be submitted on line after June 1, 2017 to:

All letters will receive a response.

Questions about the program or these requirements and should be directed to SUsie@tmc.edu.

Funding

A total of $750,000 will be awarded for projects that can demonstrate significant policy impact. Pilot projects intended to support competitive applications for national funders are welcome.

We expect proposals in the range of $100,000 to $250,000 with compelling budget justifications.

Each collaborating TMC organization will be funded separately through a gift arrangement with their respective Development/Philanthropy/Donor Office. Details will be provided with invitations to submit.

Funding is through a designated-gift mechanism and no indirect costs will be covered.

Time Line

- August 15, 2017 – Apply on-line.
- October 15, 2017 – Notice of Award.
- November 1, 2017 – Funds available.

Application

Directions for on-line submittal of applications will be sent to those invited to submit.