

Provider-Partner Grant Description and Application Process

Purpose: This CHVR funding opportunity promotes engagement of clinical providers with basic and translational researchers to support new research projects and collaborations that have high potential for changing patient care within the next five to ten years. Clinical providers (at any employment position) present their “pitch” to Drs. Gundry and Pipinos to solicit input and identify potential collaborators. Providers will describe the “why” and the “what” with the goal of identifying research collaborators that can contribute to the “how”.

Eligibility: All areas of heart and vascular disease research are eligible. Projects should be very focused to address a specific identified health care need and investigators must be CHVR members in good standing.

Maximum Award Amount: Up to \$20,000 for 1 year renewable for a second year upon satisfactory productivity.

Application Process:

Step 1: Health care provider (any position) presents a “pitch” (in person or Zoom) to Drs. Gundry and Pipinos to describe the need for research and potential outcome on patient care.

Step 2: Upon suitable recommendation following the oral presentation, Drs. Gundry and Pipinos will work with the applicant to identify a suitable collaborator or team of collaborators.

Step 3: Once appropriate collaborators have been identified, the provider must submit a *Provider Pitch Grant Application* to Drs. Gundry and Pipinos. The application consists of 1) the provider’s CV and a 2) two-page Word document (0.5” margins; Arial font; 11 pt). In this document, the applicant should describe/answer the following:

Page 1:

1. What is the clinical problem?
2. Why does research need to be pursued to address this problem? What is known vs. unknown in the clinical care of patients in this regard?
3. How will research in this area impact patient care in the future?

Page 2:

1. What specific research questions will the applicant pursue? What approaches will be used? Describe the availability of data and/or samples, models, equipment etc necessary to complete the research.
2. Who is the basic or translational collaborator for the project? Provide a few sentences about their expertise.
4. Provide a general timeline for experiments.
5. Describe plans for future grant applications that are based on preliminary data generated by this research. How will the outcomes of the research affect future studies?

Step 4: Outcomes of application review include: approval, approval upon revisions, or decline to fund.