

# Center for American Indian and Alaska Native Diabetes Translation Research

## Pilot & Feasibility Program

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### OVERVIEW

The Center for American Indian and Alaska Native Diabetes Translation Research (CAIANDTR) seeks to translate research of proven efficacy into clinical and community settings, with the goal of improving prevention and treatment of diabetes in Native populations. The CAIANDTR Pilot & Feasibility Program is pleased to announce the availability of funding to support research consistent with this mission.

The Pilot & Feasibility Program provides support for early-stage investigators (ESIs) committed to conducting translational research related to diabetes in American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) populations.

### PROGRAM EXPECTATIONS

During this 18-month research and training program, funded investigators will:

1. Complete and publish a secondary analysis project relevant to diabetes in AI/ANs (Months 1-12)
2. Develop a grant application seeking larger-scale funding for their research efforts (Months 13-18)

### ELIGIBILITY

Applications will be accepted from faculty members affiliated with any institution in the United States that is eligible to receive research awards from the National Institutes of Health (NIH), including universities, Tribal organizations, and Tribal Epidemiology Centers. Applicants must meet the NIH definition of an ESI. An ESI is an investigator who is within 10 years of completing their terminal degree (MD or PhD) or post-graduate clinical training and who has not previously received a substantial independent research award from NIH as Principal Investigator (e.g., R01). Additional information about ESI status is provided on the [NIH website](#).

### HOW TO APPLY

Step 1. Submit the [CAIANDTR Pilot & Feasibility Program Interest Form](#). Send the completed form to [angela.brega@cuanschutz.edu](mailto:angela.brega@cuanschutz.edu).

Step 2. Submit Complete Application

- 250-word Abstract
- Proposal Narrative
  - Specific Aims (1 page)
  - Research Strategy (4 pages)
- Career & Research Plans ( $\leq 1$  page)
- Mentorship Plan ( $\leq 1$  page) & Letter of Support from Senior Mentor

- Project Timeline ( $\leq 1$  page)
- References Cited (no page limit)
- Protection of Human Subjects & Cumulative Inclusion Enrollment Report (no page limit)
- Biosketches for Principal Investigator & Key Personnel
- Detailed Budget & Institutional F&A Agreement
- Budget Justification
- Institutional Facilities & Administrative Rate (F&A) Agreement

View the full Request for Applications on the [CAIANDTR website](#) for more detailed information on what to include in the application.

Successful applications will be those that hold promise of benefiting Native people, are scientifically meritorious, are feasible within the time and resources available, and represent an early step in an innovative line of inquiry that can continue beyond this initial investment. CAIANDTR funding cannot be used to supplement funded research already in progress.

### REVIEW PROCESS

Applications will be reviewed by investigators with expertise in the content area addressed and/or the methods described in the proposed project. Reviewers will evaluate applications based on the [5 criteria normally used in the review of NIH grants](#).

Following the review process, CAIANDTR staff will ask applicants with competitive scores to prepare a formal written response addressing the critiques of the reviewers. Applicants need not revise the application itself. Funding decisions will consider the original review as well as the applicant's formal response to the reviewers' concerns.

### APPLICATION & REVIEW TIMELINE

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| • Call for Applications Opens | July 5, 2022                  |
| • Interest Form Due           | Sept. 19, 2022                |
| • Complete Application Due    | Oct. 3, 2022                  |
| • Response from Reviewers     | Oct. 24, 2022                 |
| • Written Response to Review  | Nov. 7, 2022                  |
| • Notification of Award       | Nov. 14, 2022                 |
| • Project Period              | Dec. 1, 2022-<br>May 31, 2024 |

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