

**University of California, Irvine**  
**Institute for Clinical & Translational Sciences**  
**Campus-Community Research Incubator Program**  
**Research/QI/Evaluation Plan for Exploratory Application**

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**Proposal**

Please include all required sections (noted in bold). Questions within each section are optional (unless noted otherwise) and are intended to offer guidance as you are constructing your response.

**Abstract (~150 words):**

- **Plain language abstract that can be clearly understood by the average English-speaking adult. (Required)**

**Significance (~300 words):**

- What is the important problem or a critical barrier to progress in the field of translational science and human health that your application seeks to address?
- What question(s) are you aiming for your research to answer? State your hypothesis.
- If the aims of the project are achieved, how will scientific knowledge, technical capability, and/or clinical practice or delivery of services be improved?
- How will successful completion of the aims change the concepts, methods, technologies, treatments, services, or preventative/treatments interventions that drive this field?
- **(Required) Description of the proposal benefit to the community partner and/or the health and well-being of its clients**

**Innovation (~150 words):**

- How does the application challenge and seeks to shift current research or clinical practice paradigms by utilizing novel theoretical concepts, approaches or methodologies, instrumentation, or interventions?
- Are the concepts, approaches or methodologies, instrumentation, or interventions novel to one field of research or novel in a broad sense?
- Is a refinement, improvement, or new application of theoretical concepts, approaches or methodologies, instrumentation, or interventions proposed?
- **(Required) Description of the proposal benefit to clinical translational science.**

**Research Approach (~900 words)**

- **(Required) Describe the overall strategy, methodology, and analysis plan being proposed to accomplish the specific aims of the project.**
- **(Required) Be sure to address/establish feasibility and provide a plan for how particularly risky aspects of the project will be managed.**
- *Preliminary data is not required.*

**Translational Science (~150 words)**

- **(Required) Describe how the project meets the definition of translational science (generalizable across diseases, makes future research more efficient or effective).**

**Description of expected outcomes of CCRI award, e.g. papers, grant proposals, etc. (~150 words) and timeline (one table – not included in the 150 word count)**

- **(Required) Describe the expected outcomes of the award and provide a timeline of all grant activities. Be sure to consider alternative outcomes beyond traditional ones, such as impacts to community, policy, clinical care, and economic aspects.**

If you have any questions or issues with the application, please contact Robynn Zender at [rzender@hs.uci.edu](mailto:rzender@hs.uci.edu) or 949-331-6593.