TIDIRH 2014 ANNOUNCEMENT

Applications now being accepted through April 6, 2014.

One of the most critical issues impeding improvements in public health today is the enormous gap between what we know can optimize health and healthcare and what actually gets implemented in everyday practice. The science of dissemination and implementation (D&I) seeks to address this gap by understanding how to best ensure that evidence-based strategies to improve health and prevent disease are effectively delivered in clinical and public health practice.

Institute Goals

Harvard University, with support from the National Institutes of Health (National Cancer Institute, National Institute of Mental Health, National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases, National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, Office of Disease Prevention, and the Office of Behavioral and Social Sciences Research) and the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, is sponsoring this 5-day training institute to provide participants with a thorough grounding in conducting dissemination and implementation research in health. Faculty and guest lecturers will consist of leading experts (practitioners and teachers) in theory, implementation and evaluation approaches to D&I, creating partnerships and multi-level, transdisciplinary research teams, research design, methods and analyses appropriate for D&I investigations and conducting research at different and multiple levels of interventions (e.g., clinical, community, policy).

Participant Eligibility Requirements

This training is designed for investigators at any career stage interested in conducting Dissemination and Implementation (D&I) research. To be eligible, participants must NOT have current R18, R01 or R01-equivalent funding as a principal investigator for D&I research or received such funding in the past five year(s). Preference will be given to applicants who demonstrate experience with, or potential for, working effectively in transdisciplinary teams and who have strong partnerships with—or are embedded within—healthcare delivery, public health or community-based networks. We seek a balance of both junior and senior investigators, with the overall goal of bringing new people into the field of D&I research. While we anticipate most participants will be early to mid-career individuals, we will enroll a limited number of senior researchers who are making the switch to D&I research.

In addition, to be eligible, participants must meet all of the following criteria:

- Hold a doctoral degree (PhD, ScD, MD, DrPH, DO, DVM, DNSc, DrPH, etc.).
- Have demonstrated experience and expertise in health science (e.g., medicine, behavioral medicine, nursing, medical anthropology, health economics, public health, health policy).
- Have a feasible D&I research concept to bring to the institute and develop throughout the week. This should be a project the applicant is seriously interested in conducting and/or submitting for funding.
- Federal employees are not eligible with the exception of individuals whose position allows them to receive grants and function as independent researchers (e.g., VA research investigators).
- Be willing and able to pay your own travel expenses (round trip airfare, ground transportation, and some meals) and attend the entire training 5-day institute, if accepted.

Applicants are NOT required to be citizens, permanent residents, or non-citizen nationals of the United States. There is no fee to apply to attend the institute. However, all applicants are responsible for arranging and paying for their travel to attend.

For more information and instructions for how to apply, please visit our webpage: https://www.regonline.com/TIDIRH2014