

Call for Abstracts

The Matilda White Riley Early Stage Investigator Honors June 2016 Washington, DC

The National Institutes of Health Office of Behavioral and Social Sciences Research (OBSSR), invites abstracts from Early Stage Investigators (ESI) for **The Matilda White Riley Early Stage Investigator Honors**, to be part of a panel session during the annual celebration of the life and legacy of Dr. Matilda White Riley.

Interested individuals should submit the abstract of an article that has been published after January 2015, or is currently in-press. NIH's Matilda White Riley Honors Selection Committee will rank these articles by how well they demonstrate behavioral and social scientific excellence in areas within NIH's mission and Dr. White Riley's vision including:

- An expanded conceptualization of *health and wellbeing* that includes effective cognitive, affective and social functioning; and quality of life
- Behavioral and social sciences research results that improve the lives of people and society
- Illuminate the complex and dynamic interplay among processes at multiple levels (e.g. interactions between genes and the built, natural, and social environment)
- Influence of social and behavioral factors on physical health and the utility of this knowledge for clinical practice and health policy
- Lifecourse perspectives on development, health, and wellbeing of individuals and societies
- Research approaches that build theory and methods in the advancement of knowledge on health and wellbeing.

OBSSR will pay the travel expenses for these ESI honorees, so they can present their respective findings and participate in a moderated discussion of future research possibilities. The event will be held in the Washington, DC metropolitan area in June 2016. Specific date and location for this day-long event will be announced shortly.

Important dates

- **Deadline for submissions:** April 15, 2016
- **Winners notified:** May 16, 2016

Articles should:

1. be centered in the social and behavioral sciences
2. be published in a peer-reviewed journal, or be accepted to be published in a peer reviewed journal (letter of acceptance must be included)
3. must be a first or primary author

Submissions should include:

1. Article with abstract (reprint), or
2. Citation of peer reviewed journal with acceptance letter from peer-reviewed journal.
3. Author's name, title, affiliation
4. Only one submission per (primary or secondary) author

Send submissions to william.elwood@nih.gov no later than 9 a.m., April 15, 2016.

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