



Partnerships for Complementary and Alternative Medicine Clinical Translational Research

The National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine (NCCAM) announces a new funding opportunity to enhance the development of clinical partnerships and translational research in the study of complementary and alternative medicine (CAM).

Purpose:

The goals of the Partnerships for Complementary and Alternative Medicine Clinical Translational Research (PCCTR) initiative are to:

- Foster the development of translational tools that will contribute to rigorous clinical CAM research
- Further the development of clinical research expertise and leadership at CAM institutions and in the field in general.

Through this initiative, research projects will be directed towards the development of CAM clinical research translational tools, including approaches, tools, and methodology that will make substantial contributions to the progress of CAM research. Each PCCTR must include at least two to three research projects throughout the funding period.

A vital component of this initiative is the support of partnerships between faculty at CAM institutions and at highly research-intensive institutions. The partnerships should unite CAM and conventional research institutions and individuals with complementary strengths to enhance the research and intellectual productivity of the proposed projects.

Eligible institutions:

Each PCCTR application must include at least one to two domestic CAM institutions. In addition, each PCCTR must include at least one research-intensive institution. It is strongly encouraged that the applicant institution for the PCCTR be a CAM institution.

Key dates:

- Letters of Intent Receipt Dates:
May 26, 2009; May 28, 2010; May 28, 2011
- Application Receipt Dates:
June 26, 2009; June 28, 2010; June 28, 2011
- Earliest Anticipated Start Dates:
April 2010, April 2011, April 2012
- Expiration Date:
June 29, 2011

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