



*This is a limited submission opportunity. If you are interested in applying, you must submit through the Cancer Center's internal LOI process. To ensure we select the strongest proposal to represent UCCC, interested applicants must first participate in our internal competitive review process. Our internal LOI's differ from the full LOI requirements of the Foundation. Please follow the guidelines listed on the Smartsheet application form.*

Internal LOI's are due by 5pm, Wednesday, January 20th. [Apply Here](#)

### **Grant categories**

The Pediatric Cancer Research Foundation awards three types of grants:

#### **Basic Science Research Grants (up to \$150,000 per year, for up to 3 years)**

These grants fund basic science, translational and/or clinical state of the art pediatric cancer research initiatives. These grants fund work that is the basis for childhood cancer research, helping to move science in the direction of improved treatments and eventually finding a cure. They are designed to move hypothesis-driven research into the clinic providing support for important preclinical projects that are necessary to move a study from the pre-clinical arena into a clinical trial. Applicants must be a PhD (with a least two years as a junior faculty or assistant professor) and/or MD.

#### **Translational Research Grants (up to \$100,000 per year, for up to 2 years)**

These grants fund new research protocols and therapies that hold promise for improved outcomes and accelerates cures from the laboratory bench to the bedside of children and teens with high-risk cancers. This Grant is given to single or multi-institutional programs that involve open, cancer clinical trials or consortia, and implement new approaches to therapy. Applicants must be a PhD and/or MD.

#### **Emerging Investigator Fellowship Grants (up to \$60,000 for one year)**

These grants are designed to support Post-Doctoral Fellowships and Clinical Investigator training for emerging pediatric cancer researchers to pursue exciting research ideas. Applicants must have completed two years of their fellowship or not more than two years as a junior faculty instructor or assistant professor at the start of the award period. These grants encourage and cultivate the best and brightest researchers of the future.

### **Grant Criteria and Eligibility**

- The probability of an advance in prevention, diagnosis or treatment for the near-term
- The novelty of the concept and strategy
- The clarity of presentation
- The overall plan for bringing the research findings to clinical application
- Experience, background, and qualifications of the investigators
- Adequacy of resources and environment (facilities, patients, etc.)
- PCRf only funds non-profit institutions and they must be located in the US.

- PCRF does not have citizenship requirements for our investigators. However, the Principal Investigator needs to be employed by a non-profit U.S. institution that has an affiliation with a hospital.
- Basic Science Research and Translational Grants require the applicant to be a PhD and/or MD.
- Emerging Investigator applicants must have completed two years of their fellowship, or not more than two years as a junior faculty instructor or assistant professor at the start of the award period.

### **Policies and procedures**

- PCRF requires the submission of a Letter of Intent (LOI) through Proposal Central. The cycle for submission will be open from January 8<sup>th</sup> through March 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Researchers not previously funded by the foundation are typically funded at the Emerging Investigator Fellowship level.
- PCRF typically only funds one grant per institution.
- Selected researchers will be invited to submit a grant application via Proposal Central. The applications deadline is June 1<sup>st</sup>.