



Texas Developmental Center for AIDS Research Pilot Grant Application Instructions

Applications must include:

- 1) Cover letter that states Principal Investigator(s), Institutes of Investigators, Project Title, requested budget.
- 2) Project Summary/Abstract (30 lines of text limit) on separate page
- 3) For Early Stage Investigators, indicate on Project Summary/Abstract page whether you have a research mentor or would like the D-CFAR to assist in matching you with an appropriate mentor
- 4) Lay language summary (30 lines of text limit) on separate page
- 5) NIH Biosketch for all key personnel
- 6) Facilities & Other Resources; Equipment
- 7) Budget (direct costs only) and Budget Justification. Indirect costs are not allowed.
- 8) Research Plan
 - a) Specific Aims (1 page limit)
 - b) Research Strategy (3 page limit; include sections for Significance, Innovation, Approach, and Use of Texas D-CFAR Cores)
 - c) Brief statement of plans to transition Pilot Project to NIH-funded project (30 lines of text limit)
 - d) For CDEIPI applicants only:
 - a. A brief description of how undergraduate, predoctoral, and/or post-doctoral trainees will be recruited to participate on the research team, how they will be engaged in the research, and how they will receive mentoring during the course of the project (30 lines of text limit).
 - b. A statement that the team (i.e., investigator and undergraduates or trainees engaged in the research) agrees to participate in quarterly virtual multi-level mentoring sessions to provide career exposure and guidance to high school undergraduate, predoctoral, and/or postdoctoral trainees.
- 9) References cited
- 10) Human Subjects if applicable. IRB approval can be pending. Include:
 - a) Description of human subjects' involvement
 - b) Risks to human subjects
 - c) Adequacy of protection against risks
 - d) Potential benefits

e) Importance of knowledge to be gained

11) Vertebrate Animals if applicable. Include:

a) Description of animals

b) Justification for the use of animals

c) Interventions to minimize discomfort, distress, pain and injury

d) Euthanasia method.

12) Letters of Support if applicable; Letters of Support from D-CFAR Cores essential for the project