

# NARCH Update

#### NIH Tribal Advisory Committee Meeting

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# Native American Research Centers for Health (NARCH) current support

#### Dollars currently dedicated by NIH to NARCH

NIH provided \$9,521,243 of FY2016 funding for NARCH VII and VIII projects.

- NIGMS provided \$4,923,025
- NIDA provided \$1,311,265
- NIDDK provided \$580,420
- NHLBI provided \$562,755
- ❖ NHGRI provided \$400,000
- NIAAA provided \$340,000
- OBSSR provided \$250,000
- NIDCR provided \$246,853
- ❖ NCI provided \$240,000
- NIAID provided \$221,925
- NIEHS provided \$200,000
- NIAMS provided \$195,000
- NICHD provided \$50,000

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#### NIH-supported NARCH Projects

Currently, NIH supports 53 administrative cores and projects for NARCH VII and VIII projects.

#### This includes:

- 10 projects focused on AI/AN Faculty and/or Student Enhancement Projects
- 22 projects focused on Research determined by the AI/AN communities; and
- 3 projects focused on Capacity Building within the Al/AN communities.

Native American Research Centers for Health (NARCH) Funding Opportunity Announcement (PAR 16-297

### NARCH goals

- NARCH supports collaborations between federally recognized American Indian/Alaska Native (Al/AN) tribes/tribal organizations and research-intensive academic institutions.
- NARCH grants support health research projects prioritized by the tribal communities.
- The NARCH program also supports the development of a cadre of Al/AN scientists and health professionals engaged in biomedical, clinical, and behavioral research.
- ❖ The program increases the capacity of both Al/AN organizations and research-intensive institutions to allow for sustainability in health research.

#### **NARCH MODEL**

- \*Application must include:
  - Administrative Core
- Application may include:
  - Student Career Enhancement Project
  - Faculty Career Enhancement Project
  - Capacity Building Project
  - Research Project (including Pilot Projects)
- No overarching scientific theme is required for the application.

  Rather, the overarching goal of the application should be focused on the health research needs and requests of the AI/AN community.

### **NARCH S06 Application**

(http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-16-297.html)

#### Award Budget:

- The annual budget must not exceed \$1 million in direct costs.
- A minimum of 30% of the grant funds must be budgeted in the application to remain with the eligible Al/AN organization(s).
- No more than 70% of the application's total budget may be contained in subcontract budgets of the non-eligible subcontracting partner institutions or organizations.

Award Project Period: The project period is limited to 4 years.

Submission due dates: July 27, 2016 and June 24, 2017

## **Changes to the NARCH Program**

- NIGMS will administer future NARCH awards, beginning with NARCH 9.
  - This will simplify the process for the different NIH ICs to participate in the program.
  - This will allow all NIH ICs to utilize their RPG dollars rather than contract dollars.
  - NIH will be better able to track the successes of the NARCH-funded projects.
  - NARCH Grantees will be able to better attribute their work to NARCH funding.
  - NARCH Grantees will have more direct contact with NIH Scientific Program Staff.
  - NARCH Grantees may have improved knowledge of potential funding opportunities and NIH ICs interests.

## **NARCH Grant Application Resources**

NIGMS conducted a series of webinars in June 2016, covering the NIH grant application process, as well as specific NARCH grant application requirements.

- "Webinar for NARCH FOA PAR16-297, Getting Ready to Apply NIH" (<a href="https://www.nigms.nih.gov/Research/CRCB/NARCH/Documents/Webinar-for-NARCH-FOA-PAR16-297-Getting-Ready-to-Apply-NIH-recorded-6-30-2016.pdf">https://www.nigms.nih.gov/Research/CRCB/NARCH/Documents/Webinar-for-NARCH-FOA-PAR16-297-Getting-Ready-to-Apply-NIH-recorded-6-30-2016.pdf</a>)
- An Overview of the NIH ASSIST program for electronic multi-project grant applications to the NIH

  (<a href="https://grants.nih.gov/sites/default/files/Prep\_and\_Submit\_Multi-project\_Grant\_App-PAR-16-297.pptx">https://grants.nih.gov/sites/default/files/Prep\_and\_Submit\_Multi-project\_Grant\_App-PAR-16-297.pptx</a>)

Information regarding the NARCH program can be found at: <a href="https://www.nigms.nih.gov/Research/CRCB/NARCH/Pages/default.aspx">https://www.nigms.nih.gov/Research/CRCB/NARCH/Pages/default.aspx</a>

# **Questions**

