Summer Pediatric Research “SUPER” AWARD
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
Due: Monday, February 25, 2019 (4pm)

The Department of Pediatrics Research Council in collaboration with the Equity, Diversity and Inclusion committee (EDIC) is pleased to announce a funding mechanism to provide support for a summer internship program for students who are underrepresented in Pediatric Research. Up to five awards will be funded.

CRITERIA:
- Proposals should have direct application to pediatrics. Projects should also demonstrate a high level of potential impact on the student’s/trainee’s plans for a career in Pediatric Research.
- The PI who will supervise the student, (or at least one of the PIs for a multi-PI project), must have a primary appointment in the Department of Pediatrics, and can be at any rank and track.
- The student/trainee can be at any level of training (eg. undergrad, Medical student) and must be at least 18 years of age. Students from other educational institutions, besides UMN, are also welcome.
- Examples of funding circumstances include paying for expenses incurred by a student who has been awarded a summer fellowship for their stipend (eg. McNair, UROP, or CTSI PReP award) but no funds for research expenses; or the PI has funds for research expenses but no funds to pay the student stipend.

AMOUNT OF AWARD:
Each award is for $2,000 for one summer of Pediatric Research experience during a time period of 8-10 weeks. The award can be used to pay for the student’s stipend and/or for research expenses. It will not cover travel expenses, computers, equipment, indirect or administrative costs. Subawards to other institutions or organizations are not allowed.

The deadline for e-submissions of proposals is Monday, February 25, 2019 at 4:00pm.

PREPARATION OF PROPOSALS: [no exceptions to page limits detailed below]
Applications, sent as a single pdf to Emily Kukacka (at kukac003@umn.edu), should be single spaced, with ½ inch margins and Arial 11 point font, and must include:

1. a) Title of the Project, b) Student’s/Trainee’s name and signature, c) Supervising Investigator(s) and signature, d) start & end date
2. Specific Aim, and Description of Proposed Research (include the impact this will have on the student’s plans for a career in Pediatric Research) NOTES: Items 1-2 should not exceed 1 page.
3. Student’s/trainee’s resume, including a brief personal statement
4. Biosketch of the PI who will supervise the student/trainee
5. Brief budget with justification, eg. student stipend, chemicals, supplies, animal costs, core facility use.
6. Please include letters of support and IRB and/or IACUC approvals if applicable

Proposals will be reviewed by the Pediatrics Research Council and members of the Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Committee (EDIC) for scientific merit and impact. Funds awarded are anticipated to be available on or after June 1, 2019.

REPORTING REQUIREMENTS:
The students/trainees of funded projects will be required to give a short presentation of their work experience and findings. The PI/supervisor will provide a brief progress report and financial report of the funds expended within 30 days after the end of the award period. Any funds remaining at the end of the award period will be recovered by the department.

CONTACT INFORMATION:
Programmatic questions should be directed to Dr. Angela Panoskaltsis-Mortari (panos001@umn.edu)
Administrative, budget, and instructions questions should be directed to Emily Kukacka (kukac003@umn.edu)