

RFP Questions and Answers

Overall Questions:

Q. With the recent merger of some University of Washington and Fred Hutchinson Cancer Center services, is the Fred Hutch eligible to apply as its own entity?

A. Yes. Fred Hutchinson Cancer Center is eligible on its own. Each institution/entity may submit up to five LOIs for each of the funding opportunities.

- Q. When do you expect to review and invite full applications for the January 5, 2023 deadline?

 A. We anticipate being able to review and invite applicants to submit a full application the first week of November.
- Q. There are five applications allowed per funding opportunity from an institution, does that also mean that only five Letters of Intent (LOIs) are allowed from each institution?

 A. Yes, each institution may submit up to five LOIs per funding opportunity.
- Q. Does character count include spaces? A. Yes.

RFP-Specific Questions:

Population Health

Q. To submit a Letter of Intent (LOI) to the Population Health RFP, I see that there is a grant amount to be requested. Is this a ballpark or exact amount for the LOI?

A. The amount requested in the LOI is an estimate, up to but not exceeding the maximum award amount listed in the funding opportunity. You will have the opportunity to refine the estimate if invited to submit a full application.

Life Science Start-Up

Catalyst Grant

Q. In preparing for an LOI, can you provide more information on the definition of product validation and product launch activities?

A. The purpose of the funding opportunity is to support projects, including those at companies, that translate initial research findings into a cancer-related product or technology. The Seed track of this funding opportunity is intended to support early stages of this process. The Catalyst track is intended to support later stages of the translation process, including product validation and product launch activities. Product validation activities may include those activities related to testing a product or technology's effectiveness and suitability for its intended purpose in the intended environment. Product launch activities may include regulatory, legal, and other business-related activities required on the path toward commercialization.

- Q. We are collaborators on a concept and work for different organizations, and none of us has a start-up yet but that is the intent should our proof of concept pan out. Do we apply through our organizations and if so, do we submit the LOI directly via your website or through our organization grants office?
- A. You would indeed apply through one of your institutions since the awards are made to organizations and not individuals, though you can access and submit the LOI portion of the process directly yourself. If you are invited to submit a full application, your institution's grants office should be able to provide you with any details needed to assist you in submitting the full proposal.