



**REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS: Due: March 2, 2020**

**Emory BIRCWH Program**

The Emory BIRCWH program, short for Building Interdisciplinary Research Careers in Women's Health, is a highly selective career development program for junior faculty interested in women's health research and/or sex/gender science. The ultimate goal of the BIRCWH program is to train junior faculty, through a mentored research and career development experience, to become independent investigators who use novel, interdisciplinary approaches to advance the science of women's health and sex/gender research.

Communicable disease research (HIV/AIDS, TB, malaria, influenza, HCV/HBV, bacterial and fungal diseases, antimicrobial resistance, etc.) is an area of focus for the Emory BIRCWH program. However, compelling applications outside these areas, but aligned with the BIRCWH research objectives, will also be considered.

To learn more about BIRCWH, please visit our website at [www.bircwh.emory.edu](http://www.bircwh.emory.edu)

**BIRCWH Scholars**

Each year, BIRCWH scholars receive salary support to enable them to spend at least 75% of their professional time (50% is allowed for trainees from surgery or surgical subspecialties) on research training and a \$25,000 technical budget for research-related expenses and career development activities. The maximum support is \$100,000 per year plus fringe benefits. Support in the program is provided for two years and is based on program performance.

*Each BIRCWH scholar must submit a mandatory Career Development NIH K Award (e.g. K23, K01, K08) or equivalent grant application within the first 12 months of program participation.*

**Eligibility Requirements-- Each candidate must:**

- be junior faculty at MD or PhD level at Emory University;
- have completed postgraduate training normally expected for a faculty appointment (including clinical or postdoctoral fellowship training or residency);
- have never been a PI on an NIH RO1 or R29 or subproject of a Program Project (PO1), Center (P50, P60, U54) grant, mentored career development (K-series) grant, or other equivalent research award;
- be a U.S. citizen, non-citizen national, or possess an Alien Registration Receipt Card (1-151 or 1-155) or some other verification of legal admission as a permanent citizen
- have no more than six years of research training experience beyond their last doctoral degree; and
- be able to spend at least 9 person-months (75% effort)—or at least 6 person-months (50% effort) for candidates in the surgical specialties during the period of BIRCWH funding.

If you meet all eligibility requirements and are interested in applying, please [click here for application instructions](#)

**BIRCWH Application Workshop**

**A free two-session BIRCWH application workshop will be held on December 5, 2019 and December 12, 2019, from 9:30 until 11:30 a.m. to provide a detailed review of the application process and tips on how to put together a competitive application.** To register for this free workshop, e-mail Dr. Janet Gross ([jsgros2@emory.edu](mailto:jsgros2@emory.edu)) and Cheryl Sroka ([csroka@emory.edu](mailto:csroka@emory.edu)). Include: name, position, department, school, title of research study, and NIH Biosketch. Those who attend BOTH workshops will be eligible for up to 5 hours of individual grant writing consultation with Dr. Gross. Applicants to the BIRCWH program are STRONGLY recommended but not required to attend the workshop. The workshop will also be live-streamed.

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