

Klingenstein Third Generation Foundation: Request for Proposals Addressing Access to Care

Unrestricted funding opportunities

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Website: <https://klingenstein.org/klingenstein-third-generation-foundation/other-grants/applying/>
Submission Limitations: None
Foundation Deadline: Deadline is **January 10, 2021, 11:59 p.m. EST**

Please contact your RAS unit ***and Nicole Dancz to inform them of your intent to submit.***

Overview

The Klingenstein Third Generation Foundation (“KTGF”) funds programs in children’s mental health, principally in the areas of childhood/adolescent depression and ADHD. It also funds medical student programs in child and adolescent psychiatry at select medical institutions. Through these programs, the KTGF seeks to further research in pediatric ADHD and pediatric depression, cultivate more child and adolescent psychiatrists and increase knowledge of mental health in physicians.

In 2016, the KTGF embarked on an initiative to improve access to mental health care for children and adolescents, especially those from families with limited supports and resources. The principal objective of this initiative has been to fund academic research in the development of innovative models of service delivery such as those that leverage technology, non-traditional treatment settings, and professional and paraprofessional treatment providers or others (e.g. teachers, parents, primary care physicians). With COVID-19, access to mental health care has become even more challenging, especially for children of low-income families. As a result, in 2020 they are reissuing their Request for Proposals addressing Access to Care.

They are soliciting applications for academic investigators conducting research to demonstrate the benefits of new health care delivery methods or prevention approaches. They are particularly interested in funding applications that build on promising pilot work and aim to develop larger demonstration projects. The proposal should build upon promising pilot data demonstrating improved access to care and functional outcomes in youth with mental health problems. This might include augmentation and larger-scale implementation of a program initially funded by the KTGF (for example, as one of the Access to Care fellowships), or a new project never funded by KTGF.

1. The proposal must have potential for scaling (e.g., production of a template which can be applied in real world settings).
2. The proposal must include a plan to measure the effectiveness of the proposed project using established methods, and specifically in relation to the primary and secondary goals.
3. The proposal should clearly outline how the project will use novel approaches to improve access to mental health care for at-risk youth or youth with existing mental health problems. These novel approaches may include the use of non-professionals, health care providers other than mental health clinicians, digital technology (e.g. the internet, apps for cell phones), or other innovative methods.
4. While the subject matter must address access to child and/or adolescent mental health services, it need not specifically target depression or ADHD.

Funding

- The foundation expects to make up to two grant awards. Each award will be in the amount of \$50,000 per year over a two-year period, for a total of \$100,000 per grant. The Foundation recognizes that larger scale program implementation may require additional funding. As such, identifying sources of funding for the full-scale implementation phase of the project should be part of the initial planning project. The KTGF will consider applications to extend the work of the original project after the two-year pilot implementation phase.
- Indirect costs may be requested, but the Program limits indirect costs to 10%. Applications which waive the indirect costs will derive financial benefit of the extra funding available and will be given priority review.
- The Foundation expects to award the grant by April 1, 2021. Funding will begin July 1, 2021.

Eligibility

- Academic researchers from universities or research institutions that provide mental and behavioral health programs for children and adolescents are eligible.
- Investigators can be at any stage in their career but must have collected enough pilot data to inform the development of the proposed research project and must be well enough established to lead an effort such as this. For investigators who are relatively early in their career, they recommend partnering with a more senior academic researcher who has expertise in program development and dissemination.

Application Guidelines

1. Summary page: One-page description of the nature and scope of the project
2. Contact information of Principal Investigator
3. Background information regarding the PI's department/agency (training programs in place, etc.)
4. Detailed description of the proposed research: The research plan must clearly state the objectives of the research, how they will be tested, and address any challenges or potential barriers to program implementation (*Not to exceed 6 pages*)
5. Brief bios and letters of support of key personnel
6. Indication of the level of institution and faculty support of the project, including letter of support from Department Chair or Division Director
7. Subjects recruitment letter
8. Timeline for project implementation and completion
9. Sources of potential funding for larger scale program implementation
10. Itemized budget

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