

## **\*\*\*NEW TRAINING OPPORTUNITY\*\*\***

## CRCHD Center to Reduce Cancer Health Disparities

NCI calls your attention to **<u>RFA-CA-17-014</u>** The NCI Predoctoral to Postdoctoral FellowTransition Award (F99/K00), which has just been published.

An Informational Webinar is scheduled for Tuesday, December 13thfrom 1 - 3 pm EST, for potential applicants and their sponsors, businessofficials, and heads of graduate programs.

A second webinar will be held inJanuary specifically for nominees and their sponsors. Letters of intent for FY17 are due January 18th,2017. Applications for FY17 are due February 18,2017.

The purpose of the F99/K00 is to encourage and retain outstandinggraduate students who have demonstrated potential and interest in pursuingcareers as independent cancer researchers.

The **F99/K00** award provides up to 6 years of support in two phases. The F99 phasewill provide support for 1-2 years of dissertation research (final experiments, dissertation preparation, and selection of a postdoctoral mentor). Awardeesthen transition to the K00 phase, which provides up to 4 years of mentoredpostdoctoral research career development support at the US laboratory of theirchoosing.

The F99/K00 is a significant departure from the Ruth L.Kirschstein NRSA fellowships:

- For 3rd or 4th yearPh.D. students, including F31 Fellowship applicants and currentawardees.
- Open to international students.
- Applicants must benominated by their institutions through the Letters of Intent.
- Each institution is allocated one nomination, whether identified by a single DUNS number or bymultiple DUNS numbers for schools/colleges/divisions within the institution.
- The Research Strategysection does not follow the traditional "specific aims" format.

The NCIF99/K00 website will be updated next week, but the material onlast year's RFA is still an excellent source for information, especially thematerial found under **Resources**. Please email Dr. Michele McGuirl to ask questions or to addyour name to the F99/K00 email list. To attend the InformationalWebinar, click on the link or download the calendar attachment. Tojoin by phone (for audio), call 1-855-244-8681 or 1-650-479-3207

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