

Request for Applications

**The National Cancer Institute-funded T32 PRACCTIS
(Prevention and Control of Cancer: Training for Change in Individuals and Systems)
is now accepting applications for 1 pre-doctoral and 1 postdoctoral scholar.**

What is the PRACCTIS program?

PRACCTIS is an NCI-funded training program for pre-doctoral and postdoctoral trainees. It is designed to train the next generation of scientists to conduct implementation research that addresses critical cancer prevention and control care delivery issues across the cancer continuum, including primary prevention, cancer screening, diagnosis, treatment and survivorship. UMass Medical School in Worcester is the lead institution. Partnering institutions include UMMS-Baystate Institute for Healthcare Delivery and Population Research, UMass Boston College of Nursing and Health Sciences, Worcester Polytechnic Institute Healthcare Delivery Institute, and the Veterans Health Administration Center for Healthcare Organization and Implementation Research.

Eligibility

Trainees must be interested in pursuing a career focused on cancer prevention and control implementation research. All applicants must pursue independent research in this area.

- Eligible pre-doctoral trainees include PhD and MD/PhD candidates enrolled in the UMass Medical School Clinical and Population Health Research program.
- Eligible postdoctoral trainees will have doctoral degrees (MD, DO, Ph.D., Sc.D., etc.) and a primary mentor affiliated with one of the partnering institutions.

Applicants, per federal policy, must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents. UMass Medical School is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer.

Funding Availability

Funding is available immediately for 1 year of funding for 1 pre-doctoral trainee. A second year of funding may be available contingent on progress made. Funding is available immediately for 1 postdoctoral scholar. Most postdoctoral applicants are eligible for 2 years of funding. Clinical fellows without prior research methods training may be eligible for a third year of funding, which requires enrollment in the UMMS Master of Science in Clinical Investigation program during their time in the program.

Requirements

In addition to conducting independent research, PRACCTIS scholars are required to attend a weekly program seminar and obtain didactic training in implementation science, which will be determined in consultation with the program leadership and mentorship team.

How to Apply

Applications should include:

- A candidate statement describing your professional background, unique qualifications and career goals consistent with implementation research in cancer prevention and control and potential mentors (2 pages)
- Specific aims of planned independent research during time in the program (1 page) (For Ph.D. students, this can be proposed dissertation project.)
- Your curriculum vitae or NIH biosketch
- The names and contact information of two individuals that will provide references.

Deadline

Applications must be received by October 1, 2019. Please submit your application and direct any questions about the program to Barbara.Estabrook@umassmed.edu.

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