# PAIR with PAIR

Pitch An Idea for Research with The PAIR Center



## Are you committed to improving serious illness care at UPHS?

This pilot program, funded by the Palliative and Advanced Illness Research (PAIR) Center, seeks to establish partnerships between the Center's research infrastructure and clinicians of any background or level. The goal of this program is to provide UPHS clinicians on the front lines of delivering serious illness care an opportunity to partner with a trained research team to explore a research question about a real-world problem faced by patients, families, and clinicians.

While the pilot program is open to studies that touch upon any aspect of serious illness, this year's unique priority area will be studies designed to surmount health inequities. Studies that promote goal concordant care during an era of social distancing may also be given priority.

#### **Award**

The PAIR Center will provide up to \$75,000-worth of the following resources to pilot grant awardees:

PAIR faculty mentorship

Study-related expenses

Research staff support

#### What will I need to submit?

Biographical sketch:

A brief biographical sketch (1 -2 paragraphs) detailing your background, training, and interests. You may submit an NIH-formatted biosketch instead.

Research proposal:

The research proposal should be no longer than one single-spaced page, Arial size 11 font, and include the following sections:

- » Background (statement of the problem, its significance, and the impact of the knowledge to be gained)
- » Research question
- » Proposed approach (how will you answer this question? no need to include sample size calculations or analytic plan)

#### Where do I submit?

When ready, please email your biographical sketch and research proposal to pair@pennmedicine.upenn.edu.

The PAIR Center is a research center in the Department of Medicine; its mission is to generate high-quality evidence to advance healthcare policies and practices that improve the lives of all people affected by serious illness. Please visit pair.upenn.edu to learn more.

#### **Timeline**

Submission deadline: Friday, Dec. 4, 2020, 12pm

Notice of award:

» January 8, 2021

Pilot project period:

» Jan. 15, 2021- Jul. 15, 2022

### Eligibility

Applicants must:

- » be affiliated with UPHS
- » be involved in the care of seriously ill patients
- » be available to meet and correspond with the project team on a regular basis
- » have completed residency training, if a physician

#### Selection criteria

Proposals will be judged on the following criteria:

- » Quality of research question
- » Feasibility in study period up to 18 months with budget of \$75,000 or less
- » Potential impact of knowledge to be generated

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