

Research Supplements to Promote Diversity in Health-Related Research

What is a Diversity Supplement?

The NCI Research Supplements to Promote Diversity in Health-Related Research (Diversity Supplements) support research training for individuals from underrepresented groups throughout the continuum from high school students to investigators.

What Does a Diversity Supplement Offer?

This award offers several benefits, including:

- Support to advance academic and professional careers in cancer and biomedical research
- Budget that includes salary and fringe benefits for candidates, tuition for students, and limited supplies and travel with justification
- Opportunities to network with peers, mentors, and NCI Program Officers
- A gateway to further NCI and NIH funding opportunities

Important Application Information

Principal Investigators (PIs) of parent grants are required to submit the application. Applications must include:

- Candidate qualifications and motivations
- An explanation about how the research project is relevant to the parent project and how it aligns with the candidate's career goals
- A clear description of the role of the mentor(s) and their qualifications
- A candidate-specific career development plan with appropriate benchmarks

Learn More

NIH Program Announcement: <https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-21-071.html>

Guidelines: <https://www.cancer.gov/about-nci/organization/crchd/diversity-training/cure/ds-guidelines.pdf>

Prior to submitting an application, PIs, mentors, and candidates are strongly encouraged to contact the program officers at CUREsupplements@nih.gov.

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AT A GLANCE

Submission Periods: October 1 – December 1 and February 1 – March 31, yearly

Parent Grant: Must have at least two years of active status left at the time of supplement application

Candidates: High school students through investigator level individuals from underrepresented racial/ethnic groups, with a disability, or from disadvantaged backgrounds

Award Budget: Varies based on career level

Who is an Eligible Candidate?

Eligible candidates include:

- High school, undergraduate, or graduate students, Baccalaureate or Master's degree holders, postdoctoral fellows, or investigators
- Individuals from a racial or ethnic group underrepresented in the biomedical, behavioral, clinical, or social sciences, individuals with a disability, or students from a disadvantaged background
- U.S. citizens or permanent residents

Please see the program announcement for additional eligibility criteria.

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