NCI Mentored Research Scientist Development Award to Promote Diversity (K01)

What is a K01 Award?
The NCI Mentored Research Scientist Development Award to Promote Diversity (K01) is designed to enhance workforce diversity by promoting cancer research career development and mentored training experience to individuals from underrepresented groups.

What Does the K01 Award Offer?
This award offers several benefits, including:

- 3 – 5 years of salary (up to $100,000), training, coursework, mentoring, and research support
- Guidance from experienced mentors with a track record of NIH funding
- Increased publication productivity
- A pathway to an independent cancer research career and tenure track position
- Development of a strong skillset to help you be more competitive for NIH funding

How Does It Work?
The K01 award salary is based on a full-time, 12-month staff appointment.

- You must devote at least 9 months to conducting cancer-related research
- You may devote the remaining effort to clinical pursuits, teaching, or other eligible activities
- NCI will provide up to $30,000 annually for career and research development support which you may use for tuition and fees related to expenses such as: supplies, equipment, technical personnel, travel, and statistical services

Am I Eligible?
You may be eligible for a K01 award if you have a doctoral degree and:

- Are from a racial or ethnic group underrepresented in biomedical, behavioral, social, or clinical sciences or have a disability
- Have completed at least 2 years of training following completion of a doctoral degree (but usually not more than 5 years)
- Are either a U.S. citizen or permanent resident

If you have a clinical doctoral degree, you may consider applying for an NCI Mentored Clinical Scientist Award to Promote Diversity (K08).

Where Do I Learn More?
For the full text of this Program Announcement, visit:


Prior to submitting an application, potential applicants are strongly encouraged to contact:
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