



Study Title	Type	Status	Funding
Statin Discontinuation	RCT	Enrollment complete; manuscript submitted	National Institute of Nursing Research (NINR)
Pharmacovigilance	Quality	Active enrollment; initial sites	CLHC, UC GIM & UCSF*
Best Supportive Care	Implementation	Final protocol; study roll-out	American Cancer Society (ACS)
QDACT-PCRC	Quality	Protocol Development	Agency for Healthcare Research & Quality

*Duke University's Center for Learning Health Care, University of Colorado's Division of General Internal Medicine and University of California San Francisco's Division of Geriatrics

Investigator Pilot Award Program

The goal of the 2014 PCRC pilot awards is to provide mentorship and seed funding for research activities through the Palliative Care Research Cooperative Group (PCRC). The PCRC received 8 strong applications from a variety of backgrounds, methodologies and distinct organizations, and all applications included Junior Investigators! Notifications will be sent in September and we are looking forward to working with our pilot awardees starting October 1, 2014.

23 PCRC investigators, who represent a broad range of expertise, were part of the review process. In line with our PCRC Investigator Development Center mission, Junior Investigators participated in every review, thereby expanding their own scientific review experience. Thanks again to everybody who assisted with this process!

Below is a timeline of future Pilot opportunities, and more information is available on the PCRC website, under the "Resource" tab.

Planned Key Dates	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4
FOA Post Date on PCRC website	July 1, 2014	January 10, 2015	January 10, 2016	January 10, 2017
Letter of Interest Due Date - REQUIRED	July 14, 2014, 5p EST	January 25, 2015, 5p EST	January 25, 2016, 5p EST	January 25, 2017, 5p EST
Application Due Date	August 1, 2014, 5p EST	February 1, 2015, 5p EST	February 1, 2016, 5p EST	February 1, 2017, 5p EST
Scientific Review	Aug/Sept 2014	April/May 2015	April/May 2016	April/May 2017
Steering Committee Approval / Notification	Sept 2014	June 2015	June 2016	June 2017
Earliest Start Date	October 1, 2014	July 1, 2015	July 1, 2016	July 1, 2017
Award Cycle:	October 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015	July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016	July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017	July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018

Obtaining a Letter of Support (LOS) from the PCRC

Any PCRC investigators interested in requesting a LOS from the PCRC in support of his/her grant submission should submit the following materials in word format:

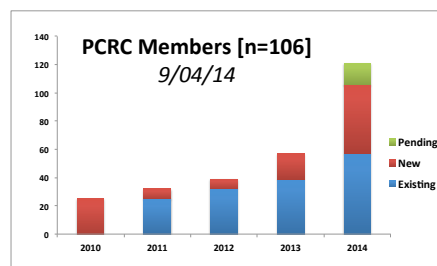
A copy or link to the RFA/FOA, abstract, exact title of proposal/grant application title, names of all PIs, your role in the project, name of who the letter should be addressed to, and your bio (half page summary of you, your research and experience). More information is available on the PCRC website, under the Resources tab. All requests should be directed to PCRC Executive Committee: pcrc@duke.edu.

Studies on the Horizon

The PCRC is looking forward to working with the investigators who receive funding from the NINR through RFA-NR-14-003, The Palliative Care Cooperative (PCRC) Enhancing Sustainability and Building the Science of Palliative Care (R01). We expect to be notified soon regarding these awards, which will be conducted using PCRC infrastructure and resources.

PCRC is GROWING -- Membership Metrics

We are so happy to announce that the PCRC now consists of **106 members** from **53 locations**! If you know someone who would make a great future PCRC member, please encourage them to complete the online application by clicking "Join us" on the PCRC home page.



Save the Date: Investigator Meeting

Current PCRC members are invited to attend the Face-to-Face Investigators Meeting in Chicago on October 15-16, 2014 at a location near to the O'Hare airport. Dates for upcoming Investigator Meetings include: **March 26-27, 2015** (Chicago) and **October 8-9, 2015** (Washington D.C.). Questions? Contact: pcrc@duke.edu.

Optional PCRC Investigators Listserv

PCRC has created a Yahoo Groups Listserv, "PCRC Investigators," intended to serve as a means for PCRC investigators to share ideas and opportunities that may be of interest to other members, and to facilitate the process of finding other PCRC members interested in collaborating. If you did not receive an invitation and/or need information re-sent, please e-mail: pcrc@duke.edu.



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