The Florida Department of Health (FDOH), Bankhead-Coley Research Program, Infrastructure Grant has issued a funding opportunity and because of the limited time frame of this grant Letter of Intent due date (July 29, 2015), we are distributing a call to identify those interested in developing a proposal. The University of Miami may submit one application as the Lead Institution, but may participate as a collaborator on unlimited submissions. If you are interested in developing an application as the Lead Institution, please submit a brief paragraph (no more than one page) describing your project to Karen Lamper – klamper@miami.edu ASAP but no later than Monday, July 20th by 12 pm. Please see below for pertinent details.


- **Purpose:** The Florida Department of Health announces a funding opportunity for the specified purpose to advance progress towards cures for cancer. The Department is particularly interested in research involving quality indicator systems, when this is linked with other priorities, such as increasing the number of Florida research networks, external funding for research infrastructure and large scale projects, including but not limited to National Cancer Institute grants. For this solicitation, eligible organizations may submit an infrastructure application in the areas of tissue banking, bioinformatics, genomics, diagnostic imaging, health disparities and quality indicators systems. Organizations will only be permitted to be the lead on one application, but may be collaborators on applications submitted by other organizations.

The expectation is that infrastructure improvements, where practical, will be made available to and used by researchers throughout the state. Priority will be given to projects that demonstrate institutional collaboration in the pursuit of a research question or development of infrastructure.

**Applications must describe:**
- A plan for providing access to the funded infrastructure.
- A scientific advisory process involving researchers from at least two of the major cancer centers in the state, and at least two regional cancer centers.
- A community advisory process that represents the perspective of participants in research, with particular focus on the perspectives of underserved and minority populations and communities that historically lack trust in research.

Applications may include support to address ethical, legal, and social issues in the research.

The solicitation is limited to proposals that will improve infrastructure/resources in the areas of tissue banking, bioinformatics, genomics, diagnostic imaging, health disparities and quality indicators systems.

- **Budget & Project Period:** The maximum award is $1.5M in total costs (including direct and indirect costs) and up to 3 years in duration.
• Information about the Award:
  o Funding Opportunity Announced: July 1, 2015
  o Letter of Intent Due (Required): July 29, 2015 by 5pm EST
  o Online Application System Opens: Anticipated Date – July 31, 2015
  o Written Questions accepted any time until July 22, 2015 by 5pm EST
  o Answers posted to written questions anticipated July 29, 2015
  o Applications Due: September 2, 2015 by 5pm EST
  o Anticipated Award Announced: January 25, 2016
  o Anticipated Grant Start: March 1, 2016
  o Proposal Evaluation Summaries Available to Applicants Online: On or before April 1, 2016

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