LIMITED SUBMISSION: NIA – Nathan Shock Centers Coordinating Center (U24)

****PLEASE NOTE: ONE (1) PROPOSAL FROM TUFTS MAY BE NOMINATED****

DEADLINES:
Tufts Internal Email of Intent Deadline: July 23 by noon
Sponsor Deadline: October 22 by 5pm

For those interested, please send an email of intent to the Limited Submissions Team at limitedsubmissions@tufts.edu informing us of an intention to apply. EOI’s received after the deadline will not be considered. The email of intent must include:

1. The name of the solicitation,
2. The name of the Principal Investigator, and any co-PI's,
3. A 2-3 sentence description of the proposed project.

Should the number of interested applicants exceed the number allowed by the funder, an internal selection process will be conducted by the Office of the Vice Provost for Research, and candidates will be notified to submit internal application materials. All candidates will be notified of results. NB: Successful applications must include official notification from the Limited Submissions Team in order to submit. For more information, please see http://viceprovost.tufts.edu/resources/funding/limited-submissions/

PROGRAM PURPOSE:
• To improve visibility of the Nathan Shock Centers (NSC) of Excellence in Basic Biology of Aging, nationally and internationally, to improve collaboration and coordination among NSC, to enhance NSC training activities, to facilitate the sharing of resources, and to interact with NIA and NSC to develop strategies and plans for further development.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS:
• At a minimum, the application should address the following necessary functions:
  o Maintain, enhance, and update the NSC website.
  o Work with NIA staff and NSC Directors to develop and enhance the sharing of resources.
  o Provide logistical and educational support for NSC pilot grant recipients.
  o Enhance interactions between the NSC and other NIA communication and collaborative projects; among NSC sites; and between NSC and other institutional research centers, NIA- or NIH-funded research infrastructures, and other Federal or private organizations promoting aging biology training and/or research.
  o Promote interactions between the NSC and the other five NIA Center programs through active representation in the NIA Research Centers Collaborative Network (RCCN).
  o Provide all standard types of logistical support to the NSC sites and the NIA program coordinator:
  o Additional activities or functions may be proposed to promote collaboration among NSC sites, encourage interactions between the NSC program and other NIA- and NIH- supported resources, enhance the value and visibility of the NSC program as a whole, and contribute to the educational and professional experiences of trainees.
• Because the goal of this opportunity is to provide logistical and organizational support to the NSCs, application for Center activities, including research, are not appropriate and will be deemed non-responsive.

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants should be familiar with Nathan Shock Centers (NSC) activities, but they do not need to be part of an active Center; please follow Tufts PI eligibility policies

AWARD INFORMATION: Cooperative Agreement of $350,000 in direct costs per year, for a maximum of 5 years.


NOTE: Program announcement instructions supersede instructions delivered in this document.