Dear Colleagues,

Please see the information below for a limited submission opportunity from the National Institutes of Health.

**Program Title:** Research Centers in Minority Institutions (RCMI) (U54)

**Program Overview:**
The purpose of the Research Centers in Minority Institutions (RCMI) Program is to expand the national capacity for research in the health sciences by providing cooperative agreement support to institutions that offer doctorate degrees in the health professions or in a health-related science and have a historical and current commitment to educating underrepresented students, and for institutions that deliver health care services, providing clinical services to medically underserved communities. The primary goals of the RCMI specialized centers are to: (1) enhance institutional research capacity within the areas of basic biomedical, behavioral, and/or clinical research; (2) enable all levels of investigators to become more successful in obtaining competitive extramural support, especially from NIH, particularly on diseases that disproportionately impact minority and other health disparity populations; (3) foster environments conducive to career enhancement with a special emphasis on development of new and early career investigators; (4) enhance the quality of all scientific inquiry and promote research on minority health and health disparities; and (5) establish sustainable relationships with community-based organizations that will partner with the RCMI Institution.

For complete details, see full Program Solicitation: [https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-MD-17-003.html](https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-MD-17-003.html)

**Limit on Number of Proposals per Organization:**
Only one application per institution is allowed.

The NIH will not accept duplicate or highly overlapping applications under review from the same institution at the same time.

**Internal (NAU) Deadline:** Internal letter of intent is due 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, January 4, 2017. Send notifications of interest (LOI) to ovpr@nau.edu. LOI’s should provide a brief overview of the planned application, and are limited to one page.

**NIH Letter of Intent Due Date:** February 7, 2017.

**NIH Application Due Date:** 5:00 p.m. March 7, 2017.

**Program Guidelines:** For more information about Program Guidelines, see: [https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-MD-17-003.html](https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-MD-17-003.html)

**Questions?** Please contact Christine Smith at Christine.Smith@nau.edu or 3-8594.
**Limited Submissions Website**: For more information about the limited submissions process, and current and archived limited submission opportunities, see: [http://nau.edu/Research/Funding/Limited-Submissions/](http://nau.edu/Research/Funding/Limited-Submissions/)

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