



April 4, 2017

To My Esteemed Colleagues:

For more than 20 years, I have proudly served as Chairman of the Medical Advisory Board of Gabrielle's Angel Foundation for Cancer Research. As I do every year, I write to solicit your help so that our organization can continue to receive the best possible grant applications and continue to fund the nation's most innovative and impactful medical research in the hematologic malignancies.

Since 1996, Gabrielle's Angel Foundation has provided significant financial support to an entire generation of incredibly promising physician scientists, who are applying novel and state-of-the-art techniques to address fundamental problems in the genesis and treatment of blood related cancers.

To date, the Foundation has awarded grant monies totaling nearly \$30 million in global giving. These grants continue to be a sign of excellence and represent support for many of the most exciting new scientific ideas in blood cancer research.

We request that you identify two outstanding junior faculty members at your institution – one who is conducting mainstream or conventional research and one who is conducting complementary or integrative research – who would be willing to complete and submit the attached grant application for our review. In an effort to receive the most competitive and compelling grant applications, we have attached detailed guidelines. We solicit only a select few institutions in the United States to submit proposals and will expeditiously review them, so that funds may be committed by December of this year.

Gabrielle's Angel Foundation remains committed to funding innovative, translational proposals and to supporting promising independent junior investigators, rather than well-established, senior scientists. Projects are funded for a three-year period at \$75,000.00 per year (contingent on the submission of acceptable annual progress reports.)

You may refer to the attached guidelines for submission details, but please have your designee submit his or her completed grant application electronically to the following email address so that it is received **no later than 12PM EST on Friday, August 18, 2017: [grants@gabriellesangels.org](mailto:grants@gabriellesangels.org)**

The future of cancer research has never been brighter and Gabrielle's Angel Foundation is helping lead the way. On behalf of our President and Co-Founder, Denise Rich and all of us at Gabrielle's Angel Foundation, we look forward to receiving a grant application (or two) from your institution.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Stephen D. Nimer". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Stephen D. Nimer, M.D., Director  
Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center  
University of Miami Miller School of Medicine

# GRANT GUIDELINES 2017

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## OVERVIEW: Program Description

Gabrielle's Angel Foundation Medical Research Awards, issued annually, provide support to junior investigators whose cutting-edge, creative scientific proposals have the greatest potential of broadening our understanding of, and treatment for, blood cancers. The Foundation focuses on projects for cancer prevention, detection, and treatment that are most likely to be translated into clinical trials within a 3 – 5 year period.

These Medical Research Awards are specifically designed to provide support at the early exponential phase in the junior investigator's independent lab career. Our stated purpose is to encourage the exploration of new areas of research in the hematologic malignancies; the kind of bold scientific ideas that lack sufficient data and/or may not be eligible for funding from more traditional mechanisms.

All Medical Research Award designees are approved on the recommendation of the Foundation's Medical Advisory Board.

## ELIGIBILITY:

- Applicants must hold a junior faculty position at a 501(c)(3) teaching research institution and have an MD, PhD, or MD/PhD degree(s) from an accredited institution.
- Applicants must hold the designation of Assistant Professor (Associate Professors are ineligible) and must have institutional support either as an independent junior faculty member or tenure track.
- Applicant must have held his/her current position no longer than five years
- Applicants must clearly state that he/she has independent research projects as well as independent resources and must have preliminary results and/or publications from their independent laboratory.
- The Foundation accepts one application per category, per institution:
  - One in Mainstream/Conventional research and one in Integrative Medicine research

## FUNDING:

- Total award shall not exceed \$225,000 or \$75,000.00 per year for three years contingent on the submission of approved annual progress reports.
- Overhead costs cannot exceed 10% (or \$22,500) of the total grant award (\$7,500 per year.)

## DETAILS:

Applicants must include the following with every submission:

- No more than five pages for letters B through E on the application; this refers mainly to the project description & is meant as a guideline. The requested contact information may be counted separately from these five pages.
- NIH Biosketch for applicant as well as every researcher listed on the project
- Detailed proposal of the research project and the specific aims of additional grant support, both active and pending
- Letter of reference from the institution, commonly from the applicant's mentor or nominating committee member
- Contact information for the applicant as well as the institution's financial or grants officer
- Statement about any potential biohazards describing the safeguards used to prevent such hazards to the investigator, other personnel or any other individuals
  - Gabrielle's Angel Foundation assumes no responsibility or liability for any such biohazards and shall be held harmless from the results of the use of any such biohazard materials.

## TIMING:

- Electronic submission of the completed application in one single PDF must be received to [grants@gabriellesangels.org](mailto:grants@gabriellesangels.org) no later than 12PM EST on Friday, August 18, 2017.
- Three hard copies (one original/two copies) of the completed application must be sent to the Foundation office postmarked by 5PM EST on Friday, August 18, 2017 (to arrive thereafter)
- All applicants will be notified of the Medical Advisory Board's determinations by the end of the calendar year, December 2017.
- Actual grant start dates may vary, however, applicant may use Jan. 1, 2018 as needed per institutional requirements

## FOUNDATION INFORMATION:

- Chairman, Medical Advisory Board: Stephen D. Nimer, MD; Director - Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center  
University of Miami Miller School of Medicine
- Foundation Contact: Christa Justus - Director of Grants; Chief Content Officer  
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[christa@gabriellesangels.org](mailto:christa@gabriellesangels.org) • (646) 861-2033
- Submit all completed applications to: [grants@gabriellesangels.org](mailto:grants@gabriellesangels.org)
- Gabrielle's Angel Foundation Online: [Facebook](#) | [Twitter](#) | [Instagram](#) | [Vimeo](#) | [Web](#)



# GRANT APPLICATION 2017

**TITLE OF PROPOSAL:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PROPOSAL CATEGORY:** \_\_\_\_\_ CONVENTIONAL \_\_\_\_\_ INTEGRATIVE

**PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR (PI):**

Name (i.e. First, Last, Degree):  
Academic Appointment:  
Department & Institute:  
Address:  
Phone Number:  
E-Mail:  
Institution's Federal Tax ID #: \_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_

**CO-INVESTIGATOR(S):**

Name (i.e. First, Last, Degree):  
Academic Appointment:  
Department & Institute:

**REQUESTED BUDGET:**

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (Cannot exceed \$225,000.00)  
First Year Second Year Third Year Total Requested

(\$ \_\_\_\_\_ %) \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (Cannot exceed \$22,500.00)  
Indirect Costs Total Requested

**Principal Investigator** **Signature** **Date**

**Institutional Authorization: Name and Position** **Signature** **Date**

**DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED PROJECT** – Please include the following, with a limit of 5 pages for sections B-E:

- A. Application Title Page – Page may be counted separately; please include contact information for Financial Officer
- B. Specific aims
- C. Background & significance
- D. Methodology to be used
- E. Future Directions
- F. Resources available (indicate whether they are yours or shared with other investigators)
- G. Scientific abstract (100 words or less)
- H. Lay abstract (50 words or less)
- I. Budget: Requested sums (\*if applicable)

	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
PERSONNEL			
SUPPLIES			
EQUIPMENT			
OTHER			
OVERHEAD			
TOTAL			

- J. Budget Justification – Discuss personnel, supplies, equipment and other costs; be brief, but clear
- K. NIH Biosketch
- L. Other sources of support (both active and pending)
  - i. Include specific aims of any other grant support along with abstract & funding amounts
  - ii. Specifically comment as to any possible overlap with other support & this proposal