

FLORIDA ASSOCIATION OF NEONATAL NURSE PRACTITIONERS

Grant Program for Research, Evidence-based and Quality Improvement Projects

PURPOSE:

The objective of the grant program is to encourage Neonatal Nurse Practitioners and Neonatal Nurse Practitioner Students to develop and carry out research, evidence-based, and Quality Improvement projects, in the area of neonatal care. The grant offered is to help defray associated expenses. Research in the role of the Neonatal Nurse Practitioner is encouraged.

RESEARCH FUNDING:

Each year FANNP sets aside funds for the support of research projects.

1. Applications for funding are reviewed by the Research Committee, which then makes recommendations to the Board of Directors on proposals received. Members of the Research Committee are appointed by the Board of Directors.
2. Each grant allocation will be determined by the amount of funding requested, the total number of grants awarded, and the amount of funds available during the grant period.
3. The grant application period is rolling—there is no deadline for grant submission. The Research Committee will strive to provide feedback on all grant proposals within six (6) weeks following submission, and notification of award funding will be based on timely receipt of feedback requested, the Research committee and BOD decision. Grant recipients will be announced each year at the FANNP Annual Business Meeting, in newsletter publications and social media platforms.
4. Grant funds not awarded in any given grant period will be added to the pool of funds for the next year.
5. It is an expectation that completed studies/projects will be submitted for presentation at future FANNP conferences and/or publication in the FANNP Newsletter.
6. Grant recipients will acknowledge FANNP as a funding source in all publications and presentations related to and generated by the funded project.

GUIDELINES:

- A. Who is eligible:
 1. All applicants must be members in good standing of FANNP. Membership must remain current during the funding period. Support personnel are not required to hold membership.

2. Applicants must be the principal investigator of the project. Novice researchers as well as those with extensive research experience are encouraged to apply.
- B. No research monies will be funded for use of animals in research.
- C. No monies will be provided for PI salary.
- D. No indirect costs are allowed.

CRITERIA:

One electronic copy of the grant proposal must be submitted for review to the current Research Committee Chair.

Incomplete applications will not be accepted for review. Please refer to format listed below.

1. Application form
2. Abstract
3. Specific Aims
4. Research plan Budget outline with narrative including in-kind and supplemental funding
5. Curriculum vitae or Biosketches of PI and co-investigators
6. IRB approval from applicant's school or institution for funding of studies involving human subjects.

Letters of determination of quality improvement (QI) project may be acceptable.

Send completed applications to: Research Committee, grants@fannp.org

**FLORIDA ASSOCIATION OF NEONATAL NURSE PRACTITIONERS
APPLICATION FOR RESEARCH FUNDS**

1. Title of Proposal: _____
 2. Principal Investigator: _____
- Address: _____
- City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
- Phone (H): _____ (W): _____
- Email address: _____
- Professional License: State: _____ License #: _____
- FANNP member since: _____

Employer & work address (specify clinical area):

3. If applicant is a student, complete the following section:

School: _____

Program/degree: _____

Proposal is a [*Master*] Thesis: _____ [*Doctoral*] Dissertation/Project: _____

Other: _____

Faculty Advisor Signature: _____

As Faculty Advisor, I have reviewed this research proposal and approve its submission to FANNP for possible funding.

4. Co-investigators or research advisors/consultants (list names, role in research study and attach abbreviated curriculum vitae or biographical sketch):

5. Institutional Review Board:

_____ Yes _____ No _____ Pending

Date of Approval: _____ (attach copy of IRB approval or Determination of QI Project)

6. Budget: Total requested _____ (attach worksheet)

FANNP FORMAT OF GRANT PROPOSAL

The proposal should contain an abstract, specific aims, and research strategy. Please use single-spaced, justified text in Arial font size 11, with 1-inch margins for all components of grant proposal. Components of each should include:

1. **Abstract:** The abstract should provide a brief overview of the study and should state the problem and purpose of the work, indicating the study population and methods (design, sample, instruments, procedures, analysis) of study. The abstract should include a brief statement of the project's relevance to neonatal nursing. Limit the abstract to 250 words or less.
2. **Specific Aims (1 page):** State concisely the goals of the proposed research and summarize the expected outcomes, including the impact that the results of the proposed research will exert on the field involved. List succinctly the specific aims of the research proposed (e.g., to test a stated hypothesis, create a novel design, solve a specific problem, challenge an existing paradigm or clinical practice, address a critical barrier to progress in the field, or develop new technology).
3. **Research Strategy:** Limit plan to 6 single-spaced pages (see above guidelines). This includes Significance and Approach; excludes Specific Aims, abstract, appendices and references. List references cited in text using AMA or APA format. Be sure to identify specific hypotheses or research questions.
 - a. Significance: (1-2 pages)
 - i. Explain the importance of the problem or critical barrier to progress in the field that the proposed project addresses.
 - ii. Explain how the proposed project will improve scientific knowledge, technical capability, and/or clinical practice in one or more broad fields.
 - iii. Describe how the concepts, methods, technologies, treatments, services, or preventative interventions that drive this field will be changed if the proposed aims are achieved.
 - b. Approach: (3-4 pages)
 - i. Describe the overall strategy, methodology, and statistical analyses to accomplish the specific aims of the project. Include how the data will be collected, analyzed, and interpreted, and any resource sharing plans as appropriate.
 - ii. Discuss potential problems and benchmarks for success anticipated to achieve the aims. You also may wish to include a discussion of future directions for your research, as well as a project timeline, in this section.
 - iii. If the project is in the early stages of development, describe any strategy to establish feasibility, and address the management of any high-risk aspects of the proposed work.
 - c. Time-frame: Provide proposed time table for the completion of the work. FANNP funding is for a period of one year.
 - d. References: List references cited within the study proposal

- e. Appendices: Attach copies of data collection instruments used and any other pertinent material (diagrams, tables, etc.).
4. Applications not meeting these requirements or incomplete will not be reviewed.
5. Please arrange the application as follows:
 - a. Application form
 - b. Abstract
 - c. Specific Aims
 - d. Research Plan Time frame
 - e. References
 - f. Appendices
 - g. Budget Outline
 - h. Curriculum vitae/biological sketch *of PI and Co-Investigators*
 - i. Copy of IRB approval or Determination of QI Project
6. Send completed applications to: Research Committee, FANNP, grants@fanmp.org

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FUNDING PROPOSAL BUDGET OUTLINE/ WORKSHEET

Amount of funding awarded will be based on number of grant applications received per calendar year (October 1- September 30). Expenses essential to conduct the research/project and disseminate the findings will be considered. Please provide necessary justification, list individual items or hourly costs if possible. Novice researchers should also budget for research consultation as appropriate. Areas to consider (but are not limited to) include:

Personnel: Funds only for consultation, statistician, clerical and research assistant costs. Not for PI or co-investigator salaries. List job title, anticipated work hours and pay rate.

_____ \$ _____

Supplies: (Include those not provided by supporting institution/agency. Consider reproduction costs including paper and ink, postage, etc).

_____ \$ _____

Travel: Include cost of conducting research and disseminating findings..

_____ \$ _____

Computer Costs: Include those not provided by institution/agency.

_____ \$ _____

Other Expenses:

_____ \$ _____

TOTAL: \$ _____

Justification of requested funding: (Add extra pages if needed)

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