



# Pilot Project & New Investigator Funding for Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Response Research

The Johns Hopkins Preparedness and Emergency Response Research Center (JH~PERRC) would like to announce 2 funding opportunities available for research activities in the field of mental and behavioral health systems preparedness and emergency response research. The Johns Hopkins PERRC is one of several CDC- sponsored research centers aimed at strengthening public health preparedness infrastructure and systems and address CDC's priority research areas in protecting vulnerable populations in emergencies, and creating, strengthening and maintaining sustainable preparedness and response systems.

The JH~PERRC is uniquely focused on the mental and behavioral aspects of public health systems research in preparedness and emergency response. The center's goals are to build capacity, increase competency and enhance the coordination of public health systems to prepare for, respond to, and recover from the adverse mental and behavioral health effects of emergencies. JH~PERRC projects focus primarily on the "public mental health system" as it relates to preparedness through 4 critical components of a public health system- public health infrastructure, communities, media and the legal and ethical environment. A brief overview of the topics under investigation by the four JH~PERRC research projects is listed below. For additional information, please see the Preparedness Programs website at <http://www.jhsph.edu/preparedness/Research/>.

## **Project 1**

Applying the Extended Parallel Process Model to Willingness-to-Respond in the Public Health System  
(*Project Leader: Daniel Barnett, MD, MPH*)

## **Project 2**

Fostering Coordinated Mental Health Preparedness Planning (*Project Leader: O. Lee McCabe, PhD*)

## **Project 3**

Role of the Media in Resistance (*Project Leader: J. Doug Storey, PhD*)

## **Project 4**

Legal and Ethical Assessment Concerning Mental and Behavioral Health Preparedness  
(*Project Leader: James Hodge, Jr., JD, LL.M*)

***Funding is available*** in the form of "Pilot Project" and "New Research Investigator" programs. Details of each program are provided in the following pages.

### **PILOT PROJECT FUNDING** (*up to \$30,000 per year*)

The goal of this program is to provide seed money for preliminary data generation in new research areas directly related to building capacity, competency, and coordination of the public health system to prepare for and respond to mental and behavioral health aspects of emergencies (the core mission and research activities of the PERRC).

**Funding amount available:** up to \$30,000 per project per year

**Funding period:** 1 calendar year from date of award

**Number funded per year:** 2-4

- Eligibility:**
- 1) Projects proposed for any new research areas need to be directly related to the core mission and research activities of the PERRC
  - 2) Project leads for all submissions must be affiliated with Johns Hopkins

Proposals submitted for review should address the following:

1. The aims of the pilot project
2. Background and significance of the project including how it relates to PERRC mission and aims
3. Relevant past studies and research activities of the investigator
4. Research design and methods
5. Budget

### **NEW RESEARCH INVESTIGATOR FUNDING** (*up to \$30,000 per year*)

The purpose of the “New Research Investigator” funding is to provide salary support for an investigator *new to the field of preparedness*.

**Funding amount available:** up to \$30,000 per new investigator per year

**Funding period:** 1 calendar year from date of award

**Number funded per year:** 2-4

- Eligibility:** A qualifying individual for the new research investigator has
- 1) Completed their training (usually, doctoral level),
  - 2) A faculty appointment at Johns Hopkins University,
  - 3) Not yet received NIH, CDC or equivalent level funding at a Principal Investigator

Proposals for a new investigator should specify:

1. Background, training, expertise, and interests of the investigator
2. The proposed project on which they will work (which may be either a proposed pilot or one of the 4 current JH~PERRC projects)
3. The benefits to the project
4. How the experience will enhance the ability of the new investigator to subsequently obtain funding

Proposals are currently being accepted for both programs. Please submit all proposals, following the guidelines and format below, by email to [fmarum@jhsph.edu](mailto:fmarum@jhsph.edu).

For additional information or guidance, please contact Felicity Marum at [fmarum@jhsph.edu](mailto:fmarum@jhsph.edu) or 410-614-4773.

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## *Pilot Project Proposal Template*

### **“PILOT PROJECT TITLE “**

Pilot project proposal submitted to the Mental and Behavioral Aspects of Public Health Systems Preparedness and Emergency Response Research Center (PERRC), JHU

#### **Section 1. Research Team:**

- Please include any internal/external members/agencies that will be participating in this pilot project

#### **Section 2. Contact information:**

- Please provide the names/addresses/phones/emails for those serving as the main points of contact for this project

#### **Section 3. Specific Aims**

- Please specify the specific aims this project

#### **Section 4. Background & Significance:**

- Background and significance of the project including how it relates to PERRC mission and aims
- Relevant past studies and research activities of the investigator

#### **Section 5. Research Design & Methods:**

- Please provide an overview of how you plan to accomplish the aims of this project

#### **Section 6. Budget:**

- Please provide an expected budget for your project

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## *New Investigator Proposal Template*

### **Section 1. Proposed New Investigator:**

Provide the following information in the proposal

- Investigator name:
- Faculty appointment at JHU:
- Completed training level:

Also, please provide the names/addresses/phones/emails for those serving as the main points of contact for this proposal.

### **Section 2. Investigator Background, Training and Expertise:**

Provide a description of the proposed new investigator's

- Professional background
- Training
- Expertise and interests

### **Section 3. The Project**

- Please specify the proposed project on which the new investigator will work

### **Section 4. Benefits to the project**

- Please describe a description of the potential benefits the new investigator could provide to the project

### **Section 5. Funding**

- Please describe how the experience will enhance the ability of the new investigator to subsequently obtain funding

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