



Indiana University Health



Request for Applications

Indiana University Health Values Fund Grant Pilot & Feasibility Program - Education

INDIANA UNIVERSITY HEALTH

LOI RECOMMENDED & DUE: by November 3, 2025 to
ValuesFundRE@iuhealth.org

FULL APPLICATION DUE ON MONDAY, December 1, 2025 by 11:59pm

**NOTE THAT IF THIS FUNDING IS AWARDED TO IU, IT IS CONSIDERED EXTERNAL FUNDING
AND THE APPLICATION MUST BE ROUTE THROUGH ORA PRIOR TO UPLOADING**

*Please note that you will be submitting through the Indiana CTSI's grants management software
WebCAMP. Please allow enough time to be familiar with a new system.*

The WebCAMP user's guide is also available under the funding announcement here:
<https://indianactsi.org/funding/opportunities/funding-grants/>

Indiana University Health Values Fund Grant

Dear Applicant:

Applications will be judged on educational merit as well as the potential benefits to Indiana University Health. The Pilot & Feasibility Program is funded by the Values Fund for the support of the Indiana University Health values. Those values are:

- Total patient care, including mind, body and spirit
- Excellence in education for health care providers
- Quality of care and respect for life
- Charity, equality and justice in health care
- Leadership in health promotion and wellness
- Excellence in research
- An internal community of mutual trust and respect

To be funded, applications must demonstrate how the proposed project supports one or more of these values and provides benefits to Indiana University Health.

Indiana University Health's strength in providing excellent patient care is partially based on involvement in the continuous development of new, pre-eminent health care professionals throughout the entire workforce and innovative care delivery models. Without a continuous supply of new professionals, Indiana University Health will stagnate. For a wide variety of reasons, educational resources are stressed. Many departments feel they no longer have the time to develop and initiate new and unique approaches to educational programs. Necessary curricular changes will lead to a need for new didactic and clinical teaching tools. New programs based on competency training will be necessary to succeed. We seek unique solutions to complex educational processes. The solutions may increase costs at a time of decreasing resources. The Values Fund offers a unique resource, which will permit us to go forward.

SPECIFIC AREAS OF INTEREST:

Areas of interest for 2025-26 round of Values Fund for Education grants are: 1) healthcare disparities and inequities, with curriculum benefiting healthcare providers and not focused on a community audience; 2) rural health; 3) behavioral health; and 4) Point of Care Ultrasound. Applications should be designed to primarily benefit healthcare providers and should not focus on a community audience.

Funds generally will not be used to purchase equipment, however, the purchase of Point of Care Ultrasound machines will be permitted.

*If applicants wish to submit other innovative projects/highly significant educational programs, they may be considered if funding is available.

FUNDING PREFERENCE

- Collaboration between Indiana University Health campuses. Collaboration with partners of Indiana University Health is encouraged.
- Multidisciplinary educational programs which not only provide education to different disciplines, but also are presented by a multidisciplinary faculty.
- Experimental and unique teaching programs (i.e. "New delivery") models in education. Where feasible, the request should include a plan for assessment of program outcomes. Existing programs are not to be funded. Innovation not duplication will be stressed.
- Educational interventions targeted at trainees and or patients that test theory-based hypothesis bearing on learner/patient outcomes.

Eligibility

Eligible applicants: (1) IU Health employees or (2) Providers with medical staff privileges at Indiana University Health or (3) Persons with significant teaching responsibilities or who hold a special assignment at IU Health.

IU Health wants to have confidence that funded projects will be completed. With this in mind, fellows are eligible if their fellowship goes for the entire length of the project period and if they have a faculty mentor. The review process is lengthy so projects should have a start date no earlier than July 1, 2026 which complicates proposals from fellows but may work in some cases.

An applicant may submit only one application to each round of the competition in which she or he is the lead project director.

*Applicants with less than three years of experience as an educator must identify a senior educator as a mentor in the application.

*please note, if you have been awarded 3 past Values Fund for Education projects, you are generally no longer eligible to apply but exceptions can be made. Please email to ValuesFundRE@iuhealth.org to inquire.

Award Amounts

Funding is limited to a maximum of \$50,000 per year for two years.

Grantor Expectations

The PI must submit an annual report each year as well as the final report; please read more on reporting requirements in the Post Award section to follow. In addition, there should be grantor attribution in any and ALL peer reviewed and non- peer reviewed publications that result from the funded grant.

The most current NIH EL II Salary cap applies to this proposal – \$225,700.

Applications in excess of 45 pages (including all form pages, proposal narrative, bio sketch/curriculum vitae, budget, references, letters of support, appendices and any and all other information) will not be reviewed.

In general, grant funds should not be used for travel, equipment, food or the purchase of laptop computers. No international travel is permitted.

When building the application budget, please show any in-kind support from other sources; in-kind support will not reduce the award amount.

Application Deadline

Application deadline is ***Monday, December 1, 2025 by 11:59pm*** via the Indiana CTSI website using the [Start a Submission link](#) found on the Indiana CTSI website.

Proposal Format/Structure of Application

Page 1. This first page is really a **cover sheet/face page**. It asks for the title of the proposal, project director and his/her affiliation, as well as where the work will be performed, and the total budget.

Page 2. **Signatures required.**

Page 3. **Project Abstract or Summary.**

Page 4-5 **Budget page(s)** listing the direct costs for all personnel using the NIH budget template PHS 398. In general, grant funds should not be used for food or the purchase of a laptop. Travel costs will not usually be funded but under special circumstances might be considered when it is necessary and reasonable for the successful completion of the project. A written justification must be sent to IU Health Academic Affairs. No international travel is allowed. Supplies and other costs must relate directly to performance of the project. Indirect costs are not funded by the Values Fund grants.

Page 6. **Significance page**

1. What is the potential importance of the proposed work? Discuss any novel ideas or contributions that the project offers.

2. Make clear the potential importance of the proposed work for further educational efforts especially at Indiana University Health. Clearly and convincingly explain how this project supports the Indiana University Health values and is a significant benefit to Indiana University Health.

Page 7. Biographical sketch, please submit a recent NIH biosketch. If you prefer, you may substitute the NIH biosketch form located at <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/funding/phs398/biosketchsample.pdf>. Only the principal educator needs to submit a biosketch, not members of the entire project team.

Page 8. Other Support: List ALL active or pending grant support and pending external and internal applications (e.g. Showalter, IUSM Biomedical Research Grant, CTSI, Walther Cancer Foundation, etc.) If the applicant is awarded funding from another source following submission of this application, you should notify the IU Health Grants Administration ValuesFundRE@iuhealth.org

Page 9. Project Schedule – a listing of project activities. Use grid given.

Page 11 and following. Proposal Narrative. The application/proposal narrative should be structured in accordance with the following format: The application should be typed on standard 8 1/2 x 11 white paper double spaced, a 12 point font with at least .5 margins and is not to exceed 10 pages. Type density, including characters and spaces, must be no more than 15 characters per inch. The application must be single-sided. Consecutively number pages throughout the application. Use black ink that can be clearly copied.

*References, Appendices and Letters of Support (encouraged) should be placed in that order behind the proposal narrative. Appendices and references should be as short and relevant as possible as reviewers do not have the time to review non-essential application materials.

If the request is a resubmission of a proposal previously reviewed by the Education Review Committee the applicant must include a detailed introduction showing what changes have been made to address the previous comments made by education reviewers assigned to the applicant's proposal.

The Proposal Narrative should address the time period for which funding is requested. Relevant parts of an extramural proposal may be included, if desired, to show the scope of the overall project and to justify how the funding requested will aid in "jump-starting" a project or strengthening a planned or pending submission. It is to the applicant's advantage to focus and establish priorities.

These priorities should be made clear in the following relevant sections of the Proposal Narrative:

A. Introduction:

1. Objective: State the overall objective or goal of the proposed project.
2. Review the most significant previous work and describe the current status of the field. Document with references. Describe any preliminary work performed that led to this proposal.

3. Present the rationale behind the proposal's approach to the problem.
- B. Specific Aims:** List the specific aims
- C. Methods of procedure:** Provide details of the proposed plan, including a description of the training to be provided, the method of providing it, and to whom it is directed. The means by which the program will be analyzed or interpreted should be included. Include a discussion of pitfalls that might be encountered, and the limitations of the procedures proposed.
- Insofar as possible, describe the principal actions to be undertaken, the sequence in which they will be conducted, and indicate a tentative schedule of the main steps of the program.
- D. Facilities Available:** Describe the facilities available (IU, IU Health, other) for this project including space if necessary. List major items of equipment available for this work.
- E. Collaborative Arrangements:** If the proposed project requires collaboration with other educators, describe the collaboration and provide evidence to assure the reviewers that the collaborators agree (letters of support in the addendum). Funding priority will be given to projects that include collaboration between Indiana University Health's main campuses. Collaboration with partners of Indiana University Health will be supported.
- F. Program Evaluation:** Program Evaluation is an essential component of a proposal in terms of scoring and review. Show how you will evaluate the project to determine if you achieve the program objectives.

Submission Procedures

Applicants must use the application forms provided and specified on the CTSI website.

Application forms can be accessed:

- From Academic Affairs at ValuesFundRE@iuhealth.org.

The application must be submitted through the [Start a Submission link](#) found on the Indiana CTSI website.

You may also obtain application instructions and forms from the same [website link](#).

Applicants who are IU employees need to route their application through the IU Office of Research Administration (IU-ORA) before submitting it to the CTSI HUB grant system website.

Applicants who are IU Health employees, but are including salaries of IU personnel, also need to route their application through the IU Office of Research Administration (IU-ORA) before submitting it to the CTSI HUB grant system website.

The Lead PI is responsible for submitting the application to the Indiana CTSI on the Indiana CTSI website [using this link](#).

Questions or difficulties accessing the WebCAMP grants management system please contact Julie Driscoll, Indiana CTSI [judrisco@iu.edu](mailto:jdrisco@iu.edu)

PLEASE REMEMBER:

- Institutional Review Board (IRB), and/or Institutional Animal Control Utilization Committee (IACUC) approval, if required, must be completed prior to the release of funds/start date. If you cannot obtain IRB/IACUC approval for your project prior to the release of funds you must immediately notify IU Health Academic Affairs at ValuesFundRE@iuhealth.org
- Please read the IUH Administrative Policies regarding, Conflicts of Interests, Misconduct in Science and Conflicts of Interest in Research to ensure you are in compliance with the policies. You can find these policies in Policy Stat.
- If you are an IU investigator, you will need to submit your proposal application to the IU-Office of Research Administration (IU-ORA) **five business days before the Values Fund application deadline**. You must allow enough time for your department chair approval signature on the application form. This includes all administrative forms, project budget, proposal narrative, or other material that is part of the grant application.

All Indiana University Health employees who submit grant applications must obtain their manager's signature (bottom on page 1 of the education application form) before submitting an application).

Review Process

The Indiana University Health Academic Affairs Office receives applications from CTSI for educational programs supported by the Values Fund. Applications are assigned to education reviewers. The members of Education Review committee then meet for discussion, evaluation, scoring, ranking and prioritization of the applications; this typically happens in March.

The Indiana University Health Values Fund for Education Review Team will make recommendations for funding to the two separate Indiana University Health Board of Directors subcommittees, one on Research & Education and the other on the Values, Ethics, Social Responsibility, & Pastoral Services. Once the review team's recommendations are approved by both subcommittees, awards are announced – the timeline for announcements is typically by end of each May/early June with projects starting in July.

Post Award Requirements

All awards will be monitored for progress by the IU Health Academic Affairs and the Indiana CTSI **as required by the grant agreement which will be constructed after notification of award**. All reports must be submitted by the required deadlines.

Annual progress reports should include the project status by updating the project milestone/project timeline charts (please see Project Schedule on the application form) to reflect completed tasks along with documentations of external grant submissions/awards, Intellectual Property (IP), peer reviewed publications, and/or presentations arising from the supported research. The milestone is crucial to tracking and monitoring your grant project and must be updated from the original submission and submitted with your annual progress report. Project support and budget management discussions will occur if applicable. Annual follow-up reports upon request for up to five years after the project ends, including, but not limited to the following data:

- i. External grant submissions and awards arising from the supported research
- ii. Intellectual property arising from the supported research including disclosures or patents filed
- iii. Publications arising from the supported research and education project
- iv. Additional impacts of the award on your research and the collaboration

Recipients are to acknowledge Indiana University Health (IUH) support in any presentation or publication of work funded by an IU Health Values Fund for Education as follows:

This publication was made possible by an Indiana University Health Values Fund grant.

Acknowledgment must be included in all publications, newspaper, social media, TV-Radio-Internet comments/posts etc.

No Cost Extensions are granted for up to one year due to unusual circumstances. The request should detail the specific reasons for the delay. No Cost Extensions will not be considered if the project director has not submitted progress reports. Requests should be submitted to ValuesFundRE@iuhealth.org

Contact Information

For financial issues related to eligibility, budgeting, review of the proposals and project requirements, please contact: ValuesFundRE@iuhealth.org