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Subject: NINDS Neuroscience Development for Advancing the Careers of a Diverse Research Workforce (R25) (PAR-

13-256)

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If you are affiliated with HSC, please contact Corey Ford at 272-6950 for more information.

The purpose of the FOA is to invite applications for mentoring and professional activities to advance the careers and neuroscience development of diverse neuroscience researchers. The goal of the NINDS Neuroscience Development for Advancing the Careers of a Diverse Research Workforce (NDACDRW) is to support mission relevant development and/or implementation of programs to: (1) increase the pool of Ph.D.-level research scientists from diverse backgrounds underrepresented in biomedical research who are neuroscience researchers- participation is limited to graduate, post-doctoral and/or junior-faculty career levels only; and (2) facilitate career advancement/transition of the participants to the next step of their neuroscience careers. NINDS support for R25 program relies equally on scientific merit and programmatic considerations. Consequently, NIH recommends that potential applicants contact program officials at NINDS before preparing an application. NINDS will not support projects if they do not fulfill current programmatic priorities at NINDS.

The number of awards is contingent upon funds available, and the submission of a sufficient number of meritorious applications. Direct costs are limited to \$250,000 per year and may not exceed 5 years. Indirect Costs are reimbursed at 8% of modified total direct costs. More details can be found at http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-13-256.html. The deadline for full proposals is January 25, 2014.

This is a limited competition. Only one application per institution (normally identified by having a unique DUNS number or NIH IPF number) is allowed. Please submit your 3-page preproposal (plus budget and CV; all documents in a SINGLE PDF file, 11 point font) by NOON on Monday, December 1, 2014 to limited@unm.edu with the subject line indicating: NIH PAR-13-256 - your name. No late submissions will be considered. The preproposal should address the major points that will be included in the proposal narrative (including: 1) Describe the overall goals and objectives of the program and the number of participants to be supported. 2) Provide programmatic detail on the specific activities proposed to assist participants in developing their research careers. 3) Describe arrangements for administration of the program, provide evidence that the PD/PI is actively engaged in research and/or teaching in an area related to the mission of NIH, and can organize, administer, monitor, and evaluate the research education program, as well as evidence of institutional and community commitment and support for the proposed program. 4) Include a description of plans to enhance recruitment of a diverse participant pool.5) Evaluation plan.) The narrative should be accompanied by a draft budget overview and an abbreviated PI CV. The scoring will be weighted as follows: proposal narrative (70%), draft budget overview (15%), and abbreviated PI CV (15%).

Should you have any questions please feel free to contact Susan De Los Santos (<u>sdelossa@unm.edu</u> or 277-0272) or Monica Fishel (<u>mlfishel@unm.edu</u> or 277-8114).