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Subject: Limited Competition: NSF: Inclusion across the Nation of Communities of Learners of Underrepresented Discoverers in Engineering and Science (NSF INCLUDES) NSF 22-622

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NSF INCLUDES is a comprehensive, national initiative to enhance U.S. leadership in STEM discovery and innovation, focused on NSF's commitment to ensuring accessibility and inclusivity in STEM fields, as communicated in the NSF Strategic Plan for Fiscal Years 2022-26. The vision of NSF INCLUDES is to catalyze the STEM enterprise to work collaboratively for inclusive change, resulting in a STEM workforce that reflects the diversity of the Nation's population. More specifically, NSF INCLUDES seeks to motivate and accelerate collaborative infrastructure building to advance equity and sustain systemic change to broaden participation in STEM fields at scale. Significant advancement in the inclusion of groups that have historically been excluded from, or underserved in, STEM will result in a new generation of STEM talent and leadership to secure the Nation's future and long-term economic competitiveness.

The NSF INCLUDES National Network is a multifaceted collaboration of agencies, organizations, and individuals working collectively to broaden participation in STEM. All NSF INCLUDES funded projects must operationalize 5 design elements of collaborative infrastructure: 1) shared vision, 2) partnerships, 3) goals & metrics, 4) leadership & communication, and 5) expansion, sustainability, and scale. The objective is to create systemic change that will lead to the substantially broadened participation of individuals from historically excluded and underserved groups in STEM.

NSF INCLUDES anticipates funding for up to 2 Design & Development Launch Pilots, 2 Collaborative Change Consortia, 1 Alliance, 5 Network Connectors, and 5 Conferences. Planning grant proposals **will not be considered**. **Investigators planning to submit a proposal are strongly encouraged to submit a 1-page description of their proposal idea to nsfincludes@nsf.gov at least 2 months (August 30th at the latest) prior to proposal submission so that an NSF INCLUDES program director can provide feedback on alignment of the idea with NSF INCLUDES goals.**

An individual may serve as a PI or Co-PI on **only 1** NSF INCLUDES proposal per annual due date, not including conferences. A PI or Co-PI of an active NSF INCLUDES Alliance **may not be a PI or Co-PI** on a proposal under this solicitation, if the Alliance would still be active at the start of the new award. Prior NSF INCLUDES funding **is not required** to be eligible to submit a proposal. The inclusion of former/current NSF INCLUDES investigators is encouraged, but not required. You can find more information [here](#). The NSF deadline for full proposals is **October 30, 2023**.

This is a limited competition. An organization may serve as a lead organization on only one proposal per project type, not including conferences. If you are interested in applying, please submit a statement of interest with a tentative project title and a brief description (200 words) **by NOON on July 7, 2023** via UNM's [InfoReady Review portal](#). No late submissions will be considered. Based on the number of responses received, the Limited Competitions Management Team may announce a call for pre-proposals.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact limited@unm.edu.

If you are affiliated with HSC, please contact HSC Limited Competition at HSC-LimitedComps@salud.unm.edu for more information.