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UNM Researchers,

The **Social Security Administration: Interventional Cooperative Agreement Program (ICAP)** funding opportunity will award cooperative agreements allowing the SSA to collaborate with groups and organizations who have the interest and ability to identify, operate, and partially fund interventional research. Proposals must address goals under at least one of the following priority topics:

- ❖ Reducing structural barriers in the labor market for people with disabilities, including people of color and other underserved communities, that increase the likelihood of people receiving or applying for DI or SSI benefits;
- ❖ Promoting self-sufficiency by helping people enter, stay in, or return to the labor force, including youth (such as by providing specialized counseling and employment services);
- ❖ Coordinating planning between private and public welfare agencies to improve the administration and effectiveness of the DI, SSI, and related programs (such as facilitating referrals to vocational rehabilitation or other service providers);
- ❖ Assisting claimants in underserved communities to apply for or appeal decisions on claims for DI and SSI benefits (such as providing legal assistance during an application, continuing disability review, or age-18 redetermination); and
- ❖ Conducting outreach to people with disabilities who are potentially eligible to receive SSI (such as directly working with homeless individuals).

SSA intends the projects to have a project period of up to 5 years. Applicants may not apply for more than the ceiling of \$3 million from SSA for each causal intervention project or the ceiling of \$1.5 million for each feasibility intervention project. **Cost sharing of at least five percent is required** for the program manager component of the award. The total approved cost of the project is the sum of the federal share and the non-federal share. *The match may not include funding from federal sources. Investigators are encouraged to identify college/departmental in-kind and cash contributions, and to get approval from their Chairs and/or Deans to allocate these resources for the match.* More information can be found in the solicitation:

<https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/353274>. Applications are due to the sponsor by **June 3, 2024**.

This is a limited competition. **Each institution is limited to 1 (ONE) application.** If you are interested in applying to this program, please enter your ~100-word **statement of interest** in UNM's [InfoReady Review portal](#) by **NOON on April 12, 2024.** ****Because there is not time for a committee review, if we receive more SOIs than submission slots available, we will randomly select which will be allowed to move forward. Only SOIs received by the deadline will be included in the drawing.**** No late applications will be considered.

Should you have any questions please feel free to contact us at limited@unm.edu.

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