PILOT FUNDING OPPORTUNITY

Center for Advancing Sociodemographic and Economic Study of Alzheimer’s Disease and Related Dementias (CeASES ADRD)

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Up to $55k Total (Direct + Indirect) Costs
Award period July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025

CeASES ADRD is an interdisciplinary research center launched in 2020 by USC Schaeffer Center for Health Policy and Economics, University of Texas Population Research Center and Stanford Health Policy. Our mission is to advance innovative social science research in Alzheimer’s disease and related dementias (ADRD), increase and diversify the number of researchers working in the field, and disseminate findings for impact. Goals are accomplished through network meetings, workshops, pilot project support, and the annual Science of ADRD for Social Scientists Workshop.

For the 2024/25 funding cycle, we invite innovative proposals related to our research priorities:
1. Health, social and economic costs of ADRD for individuals, families and generations
2. Physician and individual behaviors impact on dementia risk, diagnosis, care and outcomes
3. Health systems’ and payment models’ impact on care, health and economic outcomes
4. Factors driving variation in ADRD risk and outcomes across populations
5. International and national trends in and projections of ADRD

Who Should Apply:
We encourage applications from scholars at all stages of their research career interested in social science research related to ADRD. We anticipate awarding 3 pilots based on the following criteria:
• Quality of research and likelihood the project will lead to National Institutes of Health funded study
• Credentials of investigator relative to career stage
• Relation to CeASES ADRD’s mission and themes

Application Process:
(1) By COB November 20, 2023, applicants must submit the following using our online form
• Cover page including: Principal investigator name, institution, position, estimated total budget
• Research Plan including: (1) specific aims; (2) significance; (3) Innovation; (4) Research Design/methods (max 3 pages, excluding references)
  o Research plan must specifically address how the findings from the pilot study contribute to future NIA grant submissions
• Biographical Sketch for all investigators (format)
(2) By January 12, 2024 we will notify 5 finalists who will have the opportunity to respond to reviewer comments and resubmit to be considered for final selection
(3) By February 15, 2024 finalists will submit:
• Revised Research Plan
• Signed Face Page (PHS 398 form, FP1)
• Detailed Budget (PHS 398 form, FP4) and Justification for Budget Period
• PHS 398 checklist
(4) By March 8, 2024 we will notify the final selected pilot projects
(5) As soon as CeASES ADRD is notified by NIH of the Notice of Grant Award, all applicants will be notified of their award status.

Direct questions about suitability of projects or process to Dr. Johanna Thunell, jthunell@usc.edu