

# TEXAS SOCIETY FOR ADVANCEMENT OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS

## Research & Innovative Practice Grant Application

TSAHP announces the 2023 Research & Innovative Practice grant cycle. Up to two \$1500 grants will be awarded to support scholarly activity in allied health in the areas of health care quality, education, procedures and techniques, and outcomes.

**Eligible applicants** must be affiliated with a health professions' discipline at a college or university that is an institutional or association member of the Texas Society for Advancement of Health Professions. Award recipients are expected to:

- Provide a **mid-year progress report** to TSAHP by March 31, 2023, and
- Make an **oral presentation** of their results at the 2023 TSAHP conference
- **Applications** must be received by midnight **April 30, 2023**, to the TSAHP portal at the link noted below. Contents of the Proposal and attachments are listed on the following page.

**Proposals** that exceed five (5) pages in length will not be reviewed; this limit excludes the Cover Letter, Bio sketch(es), Cover Page, and Abstract. The packet must include all documents to be considered complete and eligible. Documents may be single spaced and must use Arial 12-point font, 1-inch top and bottom margins, and 1.25-inch left and right margins. To facilitate blind review, authors' names and institutional affiliations must be omitted from the Abstract and Proposal. While totally blind review may not be possible given parameters of some projects, we request compliance as much as possible.

The application must include the following:

- 1) **Cover Page** (one page): Lists the project title, and the name and institutional affiliation of each author; designates clearly the phone number, email address, and mailing address of the corresponding author.
- 2) **Abstract** (one page): Includes the project title and summarize all components of the proposal.
- 3) **Proposal** (no more than five (5) pages) must include the following:
  - a) **Background:** States the problem or purpose of the research or innovative practice project, and specifically indicates the significance and relevance to allied health professions.
  - b) **Review of Literature:** Provides an overview of related literature pertinent to the project.
  - c) **Research Design/ Method or Plan for Innovative Practice Project:** Describes the research approach or implementation plan for the innovative practice project and the plan for analysis/evaluation.
  - d) **Budget:** Details how funds are to be used and whether this proposal is stand-alone, requests partial funding, or complements an existing project. All funds must be expended in direct support of the proposed investigation; awards may not be used for payment of indirect costs to any institution. Note: Travel is limited to 20% of total award and may be used for travel to present research findings/innovative project at the 2024 TSAHP conference.

Additional information that must accompany the proposal includes:

- 1) **Cover Letter** (one page): The principal investigator (PI) must provide written assurance that IRB approval has been or will be obtained prior to the disbursement of funds to the award recipient(s).
- 2) **Bio sketch** (one page for each author): The bio sketch does not need to be in NIH format, but should list the individual's name, position title, institutional affiliations, education and training, and qualifications to fill a specific role in the proposed project. The bio sketch may include a personal statement, prior positions and honors, contributions to science, and additional information including research support and/or scholastic performance.

Criteria used to evaluate proposals will include:

- 25% **Justification for the project:** Explanation of background, purpose, significance and relevance to allied health
- 40% **Research design or practice plan:** Appropriate to the purpose, comprehensiveness of implementation plan, methods to be used including sampling, instrumentation, specific procedures, and analytic strategies
- 25% **Budget:** Logical explanation and justification for use of funds
- 10% **Quality of proposal:** Overall clarity, organized approach, terminology, and grammar

**SUBMIT completed research grant application and letter of intent (optional) to:** [TSAHP Online Portal](#). Individuals must have a Google account to submit their grant application.

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