

Building and Sustaining Global Cancer Research Scholarship at Penn

Announcing the Penn Center for Global Oncology Pilot Research Grant Program

Advancing Penn's global mission to remediate global disparities in cancer care and outcomes is intimately tied to developing research projects that lead to insight, that build teams, and that result in sustainable funding for programs both at Penn and with our partners.

The Center for Global Oncology (CGO) is pleased to announce a competitive grant program that provides resources to faculty to initiate global cancer research projects that lead to preliminary results that enable receipt of external awards.

For FY26, the Center for Global Oncology will support up to \$200,000 with an estimated 2-3 recipients. In an aligned fashion, the Penn Center for Cancer Care Innovation (PC3I) will provide funding to support research travel to selected grantees.

Applicants should develop a global pilot study focused on cancer outcomes, clinical epidemiology, implementation science, translational science or clinical trials focused primarily on women's cancers or in cancers associated with HIV. Other important topics in global oncology, including, but not limited to, innovations in diagnostics, ethical issues of providing care in resource constrained settings, and palliative care will also be considered. Again, the aim of the project should be to develop data to aid in applying for additional follow-on grants.

Grant proposals will be evaluated by a multidisciplinary review committee. Proposals will be evaluated on:

- Novel impact/implementation
- Feasibility in the timeframe of the grant (1-2 years)
- Inclusion of global colleagues
- Demonstration of existing collaborative engagement between Penn and LMIC partner
- Proposals must demonstrate clear evidence of sustainability through larger external grant opportunities

Cross collaboration between multiple Centers and Departments is strongly encouraged as are junior faculty working with senior mentors.

Key Dates

- Applicants must submit a letter of intent to Kierstyn.claycomb@pennmedicine.upenn.edu by February 28, 2025
- Proposals must be submitted by March 31, 2025
- Recipients will be notified of award by June 1, 2025

For more information about the CGO Research Pilot Grant Program and how to apply, please visit <https://www.med.upenn.edu/global-oncology/cgo-funding>

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Please contact [Kierstyn Claycomb](#) with questions.