The Joel and Barbara Alpert Endowment for Children of the City
Center for the Urban Child and Healthy Family, Department of Pediatrics

Fall 2021 Request for Proposals from Fellows

The Joel and Barbara Alpert Endowment and the Center for the Urban Child and Healthy Family will support Boston University School of Medicine and Boston Medical Center Department fellows to implement research projects that innovate and transform pediatric health care delivery and improve child health outcomes.

Grant Cycle: 11/1/2021-10/31/2022
Supported by: The Joel and Barbara Alpert Endowment for Children of the City and the Center for the Urban Child and Healthy Family
Grant Amount: up to $10,000
Release Date: August 11th, 2021
Proposals are due by: September 20th, 2021

Joel and Barbara Alpert Endowment for the Children of the City
The Joel and Barbara Alpert Endowment for Children of the City was established at Boston University School of Medicine in honor of the work carried out by the Alperts over their 25 years with Boston City Hospital, Boston Medical Center, and the Boston University medical community.

The endowment is used to support Boston University School of Medicine and Boston Medical Center residents and fellows. Projects are expected to study the medical and social needs of vulnerable children, their families, and their communities.

Center for the Urban Child and Healthy Family
Vision: All children in America have an equal opportunity to be healthy, ready to learn, and to achieve their full potential.

Mission: The mission of the Center for the Urban Child and Healthy Family is to achieve dramatic improvements in outcomes for children and families facing adversity by developing, testing and scaling novel health delivery approaches that serve children with their caregivers and that bring together communities, child-serving sectors, and health providers across disciplines.

Application Requirements:
Research projects should focus on improving outcomes for families facing adversity, particularly through innovation of care delivery.
The following guidelines pertain to the submission:

- The grant should be double-spaced and no longer than 6 pages. Please number the pages consecutively, including a cover page.
- The first page should be the cover page, and should include the project title, project team, and total budget request. This does not count in the page numbering.
- If the applicant is proposing clinic based recruitment, the application must include a letter of support from the clinic director.
- The format must include the following sections:
  - **Specific Aims:** Includes project objectives as well as how the project will achieve improved outcomes for our families
  - **Background and Significance**
  - **Methods:** Include details about study design, setting, sample and recruitment, data collection and how data will be analyzed
  - **Timeline**
  - **Challenges and Potential Solutions**
  - **Future Directions:** Includes how this study can inform future research, particularly as a launch pad for future studies in the fellow’s area of interest
  - **Literature Cited**
- CVs or biosketches for each member of the project team (does not count in page numbers).
  - Multidisciplinary teams are strongly encouraged
- The last page(s) should be the detailed project budget and brief budget justification (counts in page numbering).
  - Budgets are for one year, and can be up to $10,000. **We do not anticipate that grant funds can be carried over beyond the original year of funding.**
  - The budget **cannot** include faculty salary support, large equipment purchases such as computers, or travel expenses.

Grant Requirements
Receipt of grant funding is contingent upon compliance with the following deliverables/expectations:

- Submission of a 6 month progress report to detail completed and upcoming activities, summarize data collected thus far, discuss next steps
- Completion of a final report including (but not limited to) a summary of project activities, data collected, dissemination and sustainability plans
- Recipients will acknowledge the Joel and Barbara Alpert Endowment for Children of the City and the Center for the Urban Child and Healthy Family (verbiage will be provided) on all products (e.g. presentations; articles; publications, etc.)

Applications that do not follow the above format will not be reviewed.

Please contact Miriam Kamens (Miriam.Kamens@bmc.org), with any questions or to submit a proposal.