The Office of Diversity and Inclusion at the University of Chicago Medicine and Biological Sciences is pleased to announce the Diversity Research and Small Grants Program.

**Description:** The program awards up to $1,000 in funding for trainees (graduate students, postdocs, and house staff) and assistant professors who wish to engage in basic, clinical, and translational health disparities research and present their work nationally and internationally.

**Eligibility:** Funds are available to all trainees and assistant professors. Priority, however, will be given to those candidates whose projects investigate health disparities, involve underrepresented or sexual minority populations, pertain to a diversity-related topic, or to candidates who are members of an underrepresented minority group.

**Eligible Expenditures:** The diversity awards may be used to offset the costs related to research and travel to annual conferences. Some resources include:

- Registration, transportation, and lodging expenses incurred while presenting at a local, national, or international conference
- Equipment purchases and research materials
- Expenses incurred for visit to another laboratory
- Consulting services (e.g. transcription services, data analysis, computing services)
- Fees to enroll in a course

**Application Process:** Applications will be accepted January 31, May 31, and September 30. Applications submitted after the deadline will be considered in the next cycle. All applicants should submit the following:

- Application
- One-page research proposal describing the goals of the project, activities to be undertaken, explanation of how the project or applicant advances the diversity mission, budget with narrative, and a timeline
- A curriculum vitae
- Letter of Recommendation provided by an individual familiar with the candidate and their work. This individual should preferably be the candidate’s mentor, Department Chair, Section Chief, or Center Director
- Verification that a paper or presentation has been accepted to a conference

Please submit the application, one-page proposal, and attachments to rdixonreeves@bsd.uchicago.edu. Proposals will be reviewed by members of the Small Grants Sub-Committee.