



**Request for Qualifications  
Policy Initiative**

**California Breast Cancer Research Program**

**Deadline to apply  
April 9, 2015**

The California Breast Cancer Research Program (CBCRP) aims to close the gap between research and policy (both public and private) by funding research that contributes to creating an environment in California that leads to less breast cancer. Using an open, competitive, peer-reviewed process, CBCRP will establish a pool of pre-qualified policy research investigators/teams who are poised to quickly fill knowledge gaps to inform breast cancer-relevant policy. We will select research questions and contract with our pre-qualified policy investigators/teams to generate answers and then effectively deliver those answers to policy-makers.

<b>Key Dates</b>	
Application Due Date(s)	April 9, 2015
Announcement of Selected Individuals/ Teams	June 30, 2015
Expiration Date for Selected Individuals/Teams	June 28, 2018

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## I. About CBCRP and the Policy Initiative

The **California Breast Cancer Research Program (CBCRP)** was established pursuant to passage by the California Legislature of the 1993 Breast Cancer Act (i.e., *AB 2055 (B. Friedman) [Chapter 661, Statutes of 1993]* and *AB 478 (B. Friedman) [AB 478, Statutes of 1993]*). The program is responsible for administering funding for breast cancer research in the State of California.

The mission of the CBCRP is to eliminate breast cancer by leading innovation in research, communication, and collaboration in the California scientific and lay communities.

- The CBCRP is the largest state-funded breast cancer research effort in the nation and is administered by the University of California, Office of the President
- The CBCRP is funded through the tobacco tax, voluntary tax check-off on personal income tax forms, and individual contributions
- The tax check-off, included on the personal income tax form since 1993, has drawn over \$8.5 million for breast cancer research.
- Ninety-five percent of our revenue goes directly to funding research and education efforts
- The CBCRP supports innovative breast cancer research and new approaches that other agencies may be reluctant to support.
- Since 1994, the CBCRP has awarded nearly \$250 million for almost 1,000 projects to 115 institutions across the state.

### **Policy Initiative Priority Areas**

The purpose of the Policy Initiative is to fund directed policy research on issues related to prevention, detection, and treatment of breast cancer, as well as research into the formulation of policy alternatives that will reduce the incidence of and morbidity and mortality from breast cancer in California. The goal is to allow breast cancer-related policy changes to be grounded in science that is timely, relevant, and credible.

In this context, policy is defined broadly to include public policy such as state and local legislative and regulatory efforts, as well as private policies such as workplaces, corporations, health care institutions, and other institutions. For example, there may be research funded to support a study that can strengthen the case for regulating chemical use in California or there may be a study to explore alternatives to disposable plastic products in healthcare settings that can be brought to individual hospitals and clinics.

## II. Policy Initiative Details

### Available Funding

California Breast Cancer Research Program (CBCRP) is sponsoring an open Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to select individuals and teams of on-call investigators who will bid to conduct rapid response research for the Policy Initiative.

The research individuals/teams should include access to members from a wide range of disciplines including, but not limited to, public health, economics, health policy, health services, health disparities, law, regulatory science, toxicology, communications and others. If individuals/teams are selected, they will be on call to bid for future research projects that will be nominated by individuals/groups in California and selected by a Policy Research Advisory Group (PRAG). The PRAG will be made up of California-based policy-makers (state and federal legislative staff, former state governmental staff), representatives of organizations involved in breast cancer-related policy development and advocates. Once individuals/teams are accepted, they will be eligible to bid on projects for three years. Once a research project topic has been selected by the PRAG and approved by the California Breast Cancer Research Council, a Call for Bids will be sent to selected individuals/teams; award selection will be recommended by the PRAG and the Breast Cancer Research Council.

The California Breast Cancer Policy Initiative allocates up to \$150,000 annually to fund multiple short-term (up to 6 months) policy research projects.

Selection of individuals/teams to participate in the Policy Initiative will be based on an assessment of the individual's/team's experience, demonstrated capabilities, capacity to complete research projects within a short period of time, and ability to disseminate findings to policy-makers and advocates.

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### Research Needs to Be Addressed

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may be a study to explore alternatives to disposable plastic products in healthcare settings that can be brought to individual hospitals and clinics.

## **Background/Justification**

Breast cancer is a complex disease. Despite decades of intensive research, its causes and basic biology remain unclear. From the 1940s until very recently, the U.S. breast cancer rate has been rising, and this increase is not explained by better detection methods. In California, breast cancer has the highest incidence rate of all cancers (15.8%), and accounts for nearly one third (31.6%) of all cancers in California's women. It also accounts for the second highest rate of cancer mortality in women in California (CA Dialog on Cancer 2011).

Scientific studies have uncovered a number of known and suspected risk factors for breast cancer, including lack of physical activity, exposure to chemicals and radiation, social and economic disparities, and others. Some of these risk factors can be modified by individuals to lower their risk, and others cannot. However, all known risk factors for breast cancer taken together can only account for some percentage of the disease. The percentage is in dispute, with estimates ranging from 50-70 percent. This means that for 30-50 percent of all cases of breast cancer, we can pinpoint nothing that may have contributed to causing the illness.

**Clearly, there is a lot yet to be understood about breast cancer risk factors. However, there are areas where we know enough to intervene.**

California has become a leader in developing innovative strategic interventions to protect health. While there is still a great deal of work to be done, there is a strong network of people who have been working to prevent breast cancer at the population level for some time. The Policy Initiative seeks to enable these leaders to be innovative and respond quickly to opportunities as they arise, and to have compelling research to support the case for potential interventions.

Beginning in 2015, CBCRP will be awarding a new type of research grant, called "Policy Initiative" grants. These projects will provide answers that are useful in public and/or private policy. In some cases, answers could be useful for changing policy at the local level (schools, prisons, public departments such as parks and recreation, planning and building, public health) state level departments or legislature, or at the national level. In other cases, answers may be best used toward private policies such as those found at workplaces, private schools, hospital or other healthcare institution, within corporations, etc.

CBCRP wants to foster relationships between researchers, local leaders and decision makers, community groups and others to create solutions that work to prevent breast cancer and create strong, empowered, healthy communities. The Policy Initiative will demonstrate how people across sectors can collaborate to prevent breast cancer and develop evidence that can be used to advocate and implement change efforts throughout California. We especially seek to support investigators and multi-sector teams in developing data that can address grassroots efforts, community-scale empowerment and systemic change.

In order to enable this research to be pursued in a timely manner, CBCRP seeks to have a range of individuals/teams ready to conduct research to help support these policy interventions. Researchers are needed in a wide range of disciplines, including toxicology, economics, health

policy, health disparities, city planning and others. Researchers experienced in breast cancer issues as well as those with applicable knowledge but limited breast cancer-specific experience are welcome to apply to be an on-call individual/team.

The Policy Initiative grants could address numerous determinants of health, including, but not limited to:

- **Health Services:** How can breast cancer primary prevention be incorporated into primary care? How can breast cancer screening, treatment, and support be improved or delivered better?
- **Screening:** Should breast cancer screening recommendations be different for African American women than for Caucasian women?
- **Environment:** What are key exposures to chemicals that are known or suspected to increase breast cancer risk and/or alter endocrine signaling and/or mammary gland development and carcinogenesis that could be reduced?
- **Physical activity:** How can employers, schools, city planners and others promote sustained physical activity throughout the lifecycle?
- **Safe living environments:** How can neighborhoods, communities, counties or the state effectively reduce sustained stress burden on marginalized and under-served communities?
- **Economic stability:** What are effective interventions to help women live with greater economic stability?
- **Access to healthy food:** What interventions successfully support people developing and sustaining healthy eating habits. School breakfast programs? Access to farmers markets or produce markets? Public transportation that makes healthy food within reach? Etc.
- **Community support:** How can strong community support services and enabling services (including patient navigator programs) be built to help women get the support they need to live healthy lives and support them through life changes and uncertainties?

Investigators or teams that apply should demonstrate their commitment to the following:

- Applying a transdisciplinary approach to issues such that the tools, methods and conceptual frameworks of different fields are leveraged to achieve new knowledge.
- Working with community groups to develop effective translation and dissemination plans for the data generated in the research project,
- Completing the research at a rapid pace, recognizing that there are decision-making cycles (such as the legislative cycle), that the research needs to be responsive to,
- Sharing findings with community members and in lay documents before and possibly in lieu of publishing in peer-reviewed journals,
- Being flexible in determining how to answer the research needs and work cooperatively with stakeholders to ensure that the methodology will result in findings that meet the needs of the community.

As with all CBCRP grants, it is expected that all research teams will include breast cancer advocates in the conduct of the research.

CBCRP welcomes applications from individuals and teams to be on-call to bid to meet these research needs.

## Approaches (Methods)

To implement the Policy Initiative, science, advocate, and policy experts as well as interested individuals and organizations will contribute to the development of policy topics, research questions and recommendations made to the CBCRP Council (the primary decision-making body of CBCRP). A separate Call for Topics is currently soliciting these topics, research questions and recommendations.

The Policy Initiative will involve a multi-step process of soliciting input on topics to research, selecting potential research teams and then matching the research teams to the right project. This section describes the steps involved and the decision-making structures to support the process.

### 1. Nominating Research Topics

Policy Initiative research topics will be nominated in one of two ways:

- **Policy Research Advisory Group (PRAG):** PRAG members can suggest topics. The PRAG will be made up of California-based policy-makers (state and federal legislative staff, former state governmental staff), representatives of organizations involved in breast cancer-related policy development and advocates.
- **Individual Topic Nominators:** Individuals may respond to a Call for Topics, initiated by CBCRP. Any individual, group, organization or institution is eligible to nominate a topic for consideration, including Council members, PRAG members, and legislators. The current Call for Topics asks for the nominator, proposed policy research topic, specific knowledge gap and research question, policy target, expected policy timeline and contact information for others with knowledge about the topic.

Topics will be reviewed, revised and prioritized by the PRAG annually. The PRAG will present their recommendations to the Council for consideration at a regularly scheduled meeting. The Council then makes the decision as to which nominated topics to move forward to the research phase.

### 2. Outreach to On-Call Investigator Teams for Bids

Once a topic has been recommended by the Council and approved by the Director, staff will select one or more on-call investigators/teams from whom bids will be solicited. Bids will include a research plan and a dissemination plan. The resulting Bid(s) will be reviewed by the PRAG and negotiated by staff. Contract deliverables will include bimonthly reports and a final report to be published after internal review by staff and PRAG.

### 3. On-Call Investigators Conduct Quick Turn-Around Research

Once a bid is accepted, CBCRP staff will process the acceptance and distribute funds quickly. It is expected that investigators will begin the research immediately and will complete the research quickly, with the timeline determined individually for each project. However, most projects will be expected to be completed within six months. Additionally, findings from the research should be disseminated quickly enough to be relevant to the decision-making cycle for the issue the research is trying to address (for example, in time for the upcoming legislative session). Research should be presented in lay documents or other forms that are

useable for a general audience and can help make the case for the changes being considered. Priority is on generating high-quality data that can be put to use rapidly. Less emphasis is placed on publishing in peer-reviewed journals, and, in fact, some findings may not be expected to be published in such journals.

### **Proposed Budget**

CBCRP has allocated \$150,000 annually to the Policy Initiative. These funds may be dedicated to one project or spread out over multiple projects, depending on the recommendations received and the potential for impact of the projects.

### **Milestones**

Milestones will be set individually for each research project issued.

### III. How We Evaluate RFQs

CBCRP uses a two-tier evaluation process: peer review and programmatic review. It is a combination of (i) the peer review rating, (ii) the programmatic rating, and (iii) available funding that determines a decision to recommend funding.

#### Peer Review

All applications are evaluated by a peer-review committee of individuals from outside of California. The committee is comprised of scientists from relevant disciplines and breast cancer advocates and other community representatives. The peer review panel will rate:

- **Team:** Is there a diverse representation of disciplines on the team or accessible to the investigator? Are community members, advocates and/or policy makers represented on the team? Do the team members have demonstrated knowledge and experience to contribute to the research and dissemination of policy issues? Does the team include adequate expertise in breast cancer research and policy? Are the research and policy interests of the team likely to be adequate to answer quick turnaround policy questions?
- **Approach:** Does the team have a feasible plan in place to respond quickly to research topics in their area? Are the roles and responsibilities for team members clearly defined? Do all team members demonstrate an awareness of the plan and a commitment to respond? Does the team have the facilities and resources available to carry out their response plan?
- **Policy Outcome Potential:** Does the individual/team demonstrate knowledge and expertise in translating research findings into policy change? Does the team have sufficient networks to disseminate findings to appropriate policy-makers? Is there a plan in place to move research findings from academia to policy and advocacy settings? Has the team demonstrated a capacity to communicate scientific findings to community members, policy makers, health care administrators and other potential end users in formats that are useful for them?

#### Programmatic Review and Pool Selection

This review is conducted by the Breast Cancer Research Council. The Council is made up of advocates, scientists from a variety disciplines, clinicians and representatives from industry and nonprofit health organizations who have extensive interest in breast cancer issues. Current Council members are listed here: <http://www.cbcrp.org/about/research-council/index.html>. The Council will use a subset of the applications forms to perform programmatic review and score the RFQs with sufficient scores from the peer review process based on the criteria listed below.

The Programmatic criteria are:

- **Responsiveness:** How responsive is the application to the stated intent of the Policy Initiative? The Council will use the Key Personnel, Policy Change and Advocacy Involvement and Underserved forms to assess this criterion.

- **Dissemination and translation potential:** The degree to which the individual/team has the capacity to disseminate the findings and translate them into policy change. The Council will use the Policy Change form to assess this criterion.
- **Addressing the Needs of the Underserved:** Does the investigator/team have experience addressing the needs of the underserved in their work? Do they have ties to organizations that serve these communities and track records working with them? The Council will use the Advocacy Involvement and Underserved form to assess this criterion.
- **Advocacy Involvement:** Is there an appropriate plan to engage advocates in the research development and implementation process? Is there a meeting and communications plan sufficient for substantive engagement? The Council will use the Advocacy Involvement and Underserved form to assess this criterion.

Final selection will then be recommended by the CBCRP Council. They will recommend which researchers/research teams will be entered into the pool of qualified researchers for the Policy Initiative.

## IV. Online Submission Instructions

**Submission Deadline:** Applications must be submitted through proposalCENTRAL (<https://proposalcentral.altum.com/>) by **Thursday April 9, 2015** at 12 noon Pacific Standard Time.

### proposalCENTRAL Online Submission Instructions

#### Formatting Instructions

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All submissions must be in **English**.

Follow these format requirements for written text (consistent with NIH/PHS 398 form):

- The height of the letters must not be smaller than 11 point. Times New Roman or Arial are the suggested fonts.
- Type density must be no more than 15 characters per inch (cpi).
- Page margins, in all directions, must be at least 1/2 inch.
- PI(s) last names and first initials must be in a header, on each page, flush right.

Deviations from the page format, font size, specifications and page limitations are grounds for the CBCRP to reject and return the submission without peer review.

#### Online Application (Proposal) Management

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The CBCRP requires applications be submitted via an online system: proposalCentral. Following are instructions on how to register and how to submit your response to the RFQ. The submission deadline is 12 noon Pacific Time Thursday, **April 9, 2015**. *Note:* the proposalCENTRAL site shows East Coast times. Do NOT wait until the deadline to submit your application; if you miss the deadline, the system will not allow you to submit.

If you have any problems using proposalCENTRAL, please contact the proposalCENTRAL help line at (800) 875-2562.

#### Online Registration

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The PI must be registered in proposalCENTRAL: <https://proposalcentral.altum.com/>. Start with “Click here to register”. Fill out all the necessary fields on the registration page: First Name, Last Name, Email Address, User ID (can be your name), Password (case-sensitive), Challenge Question, and Answer.

Click BOTH BOXES on the bottom of the page to confirm your agreement with their “Terms of Service” and “Acceptable Use Policy.” Click on the “Register” button. ProposalCENTRAL will send you an email with your username, password and a confirmation number. Once confirmed, you can login and the first time you enter the system, it will ask you to enter the confirmation number. You won’t need that number again.

## **Online Forms and Fields**

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Once logged on, select the “Grant Opportunities” (gray) tab on the top of the page. Open up the filter and scroll down to California Breast Cancer Research Program. Sort the available funding by CBCRP and all of the funding opportunities for CBCRP will be showing. Choose the Policy Initiative and click on “Apply Now” at the far right of the line.

Portions of the application are prepared using pre-formatted web pages in proposalCENTRAL. To move from section to section you can click the “Next” button to both save your work and go to the next section, or click “Save” and then click on the next section.

Proposal Section 2 allows you to download the Templates and Instructions for the CBCRP forms. After completing the forms on your computer, Proposal Section 6 allows you upload each one as PDF to attach it to your application.

### **Title Page**

On the “Title Page” enter the name of your “On-Call Investigator/Team” in the space provided (do not exceed 60 characters). The projected start date for this project is July 1, 2015. The end date of the project is June 30, 2018.

### **Download Templates & Instructions**

This section includes these instructions as well as the relevant application forms. You will need these forms in order to respond to this RFP.

### **Enable Other Users to Access this Proposal**

*Note:* A person must be registered in proposalCentral before s/he can be given access.

Read the instructions on this page thoroughly to understand the different levels of access. At the bottom of that page, in “Proposal Access User Selection,” type in the email address of other individuals who will be working on the RFQ, then click “Find User.” Select the desired level of access and Click “Accept Changes” to save.

### **Applicant/PI**

Click on “Applicant/PI” and make sure that all required fields (identified with a red asterisk) are complete. (Click “Edit Professional Profile” to enter any missing data.)

### **Institution & Contacts**

On the “Institution & Contacts” page, make sure that all required fields (identified with a red asterisk) are complete. Use this form to change the institution affiliated with application using the “Change Institution” button.

### **Upload Rapid Response Plan and Other Attachments**

This page contains a duplicate list of the forms and instructions that are in Download Templates and Instructions (above and Proposal Section 2). This is where you will upload the CBCRP forms and any other attachments to your proposal; the required items are listed.

To upload attachments, fill in the fields at the top of the page:

- **Describe Attachment:** Provide a meaningful description, such as Jones CV.

- **Select Attachment Type:** From the drop down menu, select the type of form that is being attached.
- **Allowable File Type:** Only Adobe PDF document may be uploaded. Do not Password Protect your documents. Help on converting files to PDF can be found on the proposalCentral site at <https://proposalcentral.altum.com/FAQ/FrequentlyAskedQuestions.asp>.
- **Select File From Your Computer to attach:** The Browse button allows you to search for the PDF on your computer; click Open to select the file.

**Note:** Explicit instructions on the content of the documents to be uploaded follow in the “CBCRP Uploaded Form Instructions” section.

#### **Validate**

This function allows you to check whether all required items have been completed and attached. Don’t wait until the last minute to check! Validate often during the course of completing your application so you have time to address missing items. Clicking the “Validate” button will either result in a link to missing items so you can easily go to the page and complete them, or a message at the top of the page “Has been validated and is ready to submit.”

#### **Submit**

Submission is only possible when all required items have been completed and all required forms have been attached. Once an applicant hits “Submit,” the application cannot be recalled.

## **CBCRP Uploaded Form Instructions**

### **Key Personnel (REQUIRED)**

Limit the text to two pages.

This form will be used for scientific merit and programmatic review.

Follow the instructions on the form to complete all information. Include advocates in the key personnel.

### **Advocacy Involvement and Underserved (REQUIRED)**

Limit the text to two pages.

This form will be used for programmatic review.

Follow the instructions on the form to complete all information.

### **Policy Change (REQUIRED)**

Limit the text to two pages.

This form will be used in scientific merit and programmatic review.

Describe the networks that the investigator/team has access to, including community groups, policy makers, health administrators and other groups who execute policies. Describe any previous outreach and communication projects by team members translating scientific findings to lay audiences. Describe resources and capacities for developing outreach materials.

### **Rapid Response Plan (REQUIRED)**

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**Page limit: 5 pages**

An additional page is allowed for References.

This form will be used for scientific merit review.

**Format issues:** Begin this section of the application using the template. Subsequent pages of the Qualification Form and References should include the principal investigator's name (last, first, middle initial) placed in the upper right corner of each continuation page.

The Rapid Response Plan Form and all continuation pages must conform to the following four format requirements:

1. The height of the letters must not be smaller than 11 point; Times New Roman or Arial are the suggested fonts.
2. Type density, including characters and spaces, must be no more than 15 characters per inch (cpi).
3. No more than 6 lines of type within a vertical inch;
4. Page margins, in all directions, must be at least ½ inch.

Use the appendix to supplement information in the Qualification Plan, not as a way to circumvent the page limit.

**Applicants should be clear in describing how the investigator/ team will be able to respond to a call for research and disseminate the findings.**

**Suggested content:**

Description of Team: Describe each team member and his/her expertise and potential contribution to a quick response research project. Describe the length of time and working relationships of the team members.

Research and Policy Areas of Experience: List the areas of research/disciplines the team is interested and equipped to investigate and describe how they are relevant to potential questions that could arise for this initiative. Describe the recent work relevant to the proposed topics. Emphasize work and data specific to breast cancer. Describe your experience in applying the research findings to informing and implementing policy and policy outcomes.

Strategy for Invitation for Bids: Describe the procedures for responding to an Invitation for Bids (IFB) for research topics. Include a description of the roles team members would play. Describe the agreements that will be put in place to facilitate a rapid response and the methods for prioritizing the work.

### **Resources & Facilities (REQUIRED)**

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Limit the text to three pages.

This form will be used for scientific merit review.

Describe the resources and facilities that are available to the investigator/team (e.g., major equipment, access to populations and databases, statistical resources, animal care, laboratory and clinical resources) and indicate their capacities, relative proximity and extent of availability. Include an explanation of any consortium/ contractual arrangements with other organizations regarding use of these resources or facilities. Describe resources supplied by subcontractors and those that are external to the institution.

### **Biographical Sketch & Other Support (REQUIRED)**

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These forms will be used for scientific merit review.

Use the NIH form for all researchers and curriculum vitae for all other team members. Limit the length of each biosketch or CV to *no more than* four (4) pages.

### **Appendix List (Required)**

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Follow the instructions and items list on the template. **The appendix may not be more than 30 pages in length.**

These items will be used for scientific merit review.

All team members must submit a letter of collaboration describing their role on the team and their level of commitment to performing their role. Include any relevant publications, including examples of outreach to lay audiences. Links to videos and other types of content are allowed.

## **V. General Funding Policies**

### **Who May Apply**

Any individual or organization in California may submit an application. The research must be conducted primarily in California. We welcome investigators from community organizations, public or privately-owned corporations and other businesses, volunteer health organizations, health maintenance organizations, hospitals, laboratories, research institutions, colleges, and universities.

Note: PIs with current CBCRP or other RGPO grant support will not be eligible to be a part of the eligible pool unless the required scientific and fiscal reports on their existing grants are up-to-date. This means that Progress/Final Scientific Reports or Fiscal Reports that are more than one month overdue may subject an application to possible disqualification unless the issue is either (i) addressed by the PI and Institution within one month of notification, or (ii) the PI and Institution have received written permission from the CBCRP to allow an extension of any report deadlines.

Though the research must be conducted primarily in California by California investigators, part of the work may be done outside California if the need to do so is well justified (i.e., it is integral to the achievement of a specific aim and cannot reasonably be performed in California) and the results of such work may be applied to furthering the achievement of the Program's goals.

### **Conditions of Awards**

Details concerning the requirements for funding recipients are available in a separate Program publication, the University of California, Office of the President, "Special Research Programs Grant Administration Manual 2011-2012." It is sent to every funding recipient Principal Investigator, contracts and grants official, and the accounting contact. The Manual can be obtained from the Program's office or viewed on our Web site:

[www.ucop.edu/research-grants-program/files/documents/srp\\_forms/srp\\_gam.pdf](http://www.ucop.edu/research-grants-program/files/documents/srp_forms/srp_gam.pdf)

### **University of California Campuses**

In accord with University of California policy, investigators who are University employees and who receive any part of their salary through the University must submit applications and proposals through their campus contracts and grants office ("Policy on the Requirement to Submit Proposals and to Receive Awards for Grants and Contracts through the University," Office of the President, December 15, 1994). Exceptions must be approved by the UC campus where the investigator is employed.

### **Confidentiality**

The CBCRP maintains confidentiality for all submitted applications with respect to the identity of applicants and applicant organizations, all contents of every application, and the outcome of reviews. For those applications that are funded the CBCRP makes public, (i) the title, Principal Investigator(s), the name of the organization, the costs (both direct and indirect), the initiative abstracts, and progress report abstracts. CBCRP uses a variety of media to communicate this information including i) the "Compendium of research" for each funding cycle, (ii) CBCRP's "Advances" annual report, (iii) CBCRP's e-news and web site, and (iv) other special communication tools such as press releases. If the Program receives a request for additional

information on a funded initiative, the Principal Investigator and institution will be notified prior to the Program's response to the request. Any sensitive or proprietary intellectual property in an application will be edited and approved by the PI(s) and institution prior to release of the requested information.

No information will be released without prior approval from the PI for any application that is not funded.

For the full description of general funding policies go to our web site at [www.cabreastcancer.org/funding-opportunities/application-process/award-conditions.html](http://www.cabreastcancer.org/funding-opportunities/application-process/award-conditions.html).