

Limited Submission Announcement

A limited submission opportunity is available from the Cancer Prevention & Research Institute of Texas (CPRIT) and is available on the [UTSA Limited Submission Opportunities webpage](#).

CPRIT Collaborative Action Program to Reduce Liver Cancer Mortality in Texas: Collaborative Action Center (CAC) Program Overview

The goal of the **Collaborative Action Program to Reduce Liver Cancer Mortality in Texas** is to position Texas as a national leader in reversing the trajectory of liver cancer incidence. Liver cancer, also known as hepatocellular cancer (HCC), is the fastest increasing lethal cancer in the United States, with an annual incidence that has tripled during the past 2 decades. The incidence of HCC is 3 times higher in men than women, and there are significant racial and ethnic differences in liver cancer occurrence and mortality.

Risk factors for liver cancer include viral hepatitis (hepatitis B virus and hepatitis C virus), nonalcoholic steatohepatitis (NASH), and alcoholic liver disease. Approximately 80% to 90% of HCCs occur in patients with underlying cirrhosis, making individuals with advanced cirrhosis at particularly high risk for developing HCC.

Texas is among states with the highest incidence of HCC with an annual incidence that is nearly double the national average. The rise is particularly virulent among Texans of Hispanic ethnicity living along the US-Mexican border where HCC incidence and mortality is the highest in the nation. While the reasons for the increase in HCC in this population are not fully understood, HCC development has been linked to multiple risk factors including genetic predisposition and socioeconomic factors, but significant gaps remain in knowledge about the relationship between HCC in high-risk populations compared to non-Hispanic whites.

The CAP Collaborative Action Center RFA (RFA 19.2-CAP:CAC) seeks to support a single Collaborative Action Center (Center) that will catalyze interactions and enable data sharing among the awardees of the CAP Research Awards and will forge innovative relationships among academic content experts, health providers, and policymakers in Texas to promote awareness and implementation of best practices for HCC prevention and early detection.

Eligibility

- The PI must be the director of the proposed Center, must have requisite management experience, and must reside in Texas during the time the research that is the subject of the grant is conducted;
- A Co-PI is allowed. The applicant must demonstrate why a Co-PI is needed and what complementary expertise the Co-PI will bring to the Center. The Co-PI must reside in Texas for the period of the time that the research that is the subject of the grant is conducted;

See RFA for complete list of eligibility criteria

Application Limit

An institution or organization may submit only **one (1)** application under this RFA.

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Award Amount

Applicants may request a maximum of \$3,000,000 in total costs for a period of 5 years.

Internal Evaluation Criteria

The attached review matrix will be utilized for internal review/scoring. Pre-proposals should be responsive to these criteria.

Timeline

Internal Notice of Intent Due to Limitedsubmissions@utsa.edu (Preferred)	Limited Submission Application Due	Selection Notification	Application Due to Funder
October 1, 2018	October 8, 2018	October 23, 2018	January 30, 2019

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