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RFP Information Session

Wednesday Feb. 17, 2021 11AM-12 Noon EST



### About the MANNA Institute

### **Mission**

The MANNA Institute explores the impact of nutrition on health for people with serious illnesses. We lead research and evaluation initiatives, educate healthcare practitioners and consumers, and share findings and best practices for improved service delivery and healthcare transformation.

#### Staff

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	Evaluation & Research	Education	Dissemination
OUTPUTS	Internal evaluation of client, volunteer, and other stakeholder outcomes and experiences Internal research External research	Student training: internships and fellowships Health professional lecture series Patient and client education	Presentations: Conferences and Lectures White papers Scientific literature
OUTCOMES	High-quality, evidence-based services	Direct provider and consumer education	Information sharing and awareness of best practices
	THOUGHT LEADERSHIP		
IMPACT	Improved service d	elivery and healthcare	e transformation



## Request for Proposal (RFP)

### Measuring the Impact of MANNA's Medically Tailored Meal Program in Patients with a Non-terminal Cancer Diagnosis

Total Awards

• A maximum of three (3) pilot grants of up to \$50,000 will be awarded

Purpose

- To measure the impact of MANNA's medically tailored meal program and nutrition counseling services on a defined population of patients who each have a non-terminal cancer diagnosis; and
- To identify appropriate outcomes and potential evaluation tools that can be used to build a robust clinical trial protocol.



### **Research Question**

What is the effect of MANNA's program of medically tailored meals and nutrition counseling on health outcomes and healthcare utilization/costs in patients with non-terminal cancer?

### Potential outcomes

- treatment adherence
- food and nutrient intake
- nutritional status including clinical biomarkers
- physical health and/or function
- emotional health
- quality of life
- healthcare costs



# Study Design

- Patient population
  - Non-terminal cancer diagnosis
  - Not restricted to any type of cancer
  - Must have good chance of extended survivorship
- Methodology
  - May be experimental or observational



### **Expected Deliverables**

- Quarterly reports
- Monthly phone calls
- Final written report
- Appropriate recognition of the MANNA Institute in any publishing opportunities



# Eligibility Criteria

- Applicants should be healthcare professionals or researchers affiliated with organizations that have experience treating patients with cancer and providing nutrition support for this population
- Unaffiliated individuals **are not** eligible to apply
- Proposed patient population must be within MANNA's service area. See service area at <u>https://mannapa.org/services/where-we-serve/</u>



### **Application Instructions**

Submit full proposal by **5pm EST Wednesday, March 31, 2021** 

- Abstract: Proposal Summary
- Section 1 Research goals and objectives
- Section 2 Research methodology
- Section 3 Analysis plan
- Section 4 Detailed timeline of research activities
- **Section 5** Available resources and partners
- Section 6 Identifiable obstacles
- Section 7 Detailed budget
- **Section 8** Curriculum vitaes of principal investigator and research staff



### Proposal Evaluation Considerations

- Rationale for study of the proposed cancer population
- Strategies for successful recruitment and retention of participants
- Presence of any preliminary data including that available from chart reviews
- Research design methodology and feasibility of project timeline
- Experience of the research team, organizational capabilities, and project budget

# Questions & Answers

FAQs and webinar recording will be shared on our website <a href="https://mannapa.org/mannainstitute/request-for-proposals/">https://mannapa.org/mannainstitute/request-for-proposals/</a>

Contact us with additional questions

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