

Promoting Diagnostic Excellence Across the House of Medicine

Information Session for CMSS Members

Monday, April 18, 2022

10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. CT (11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m ET)

Agenda

- Welcome
- Grant Program Overview
- Letter of Intent Instructions and Review Process
- Questions and Answers

Moore Foundation Welcome

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Grant Overview

- In 2021, the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation made a two-year, \$1.26M grant award to CMSS focused on promoting diagnostic excellence across the house of medicine.
- Award provides funding to develop, launch, and monitor a competitive grant program.
- CMSS will make up to 10 grant awards of \$100,000 to medical specialty societies to support the development of resources and programs focused on diagnostic excellence.
- Grant awards are for one-year starting on October 1, 2022.

Grant Awards

- The awards will support the development and dissemination of resources and programs on diagnostic excellence, including, but not limited to:
 - Develop and disseminate CME-accredited, educational materials focused on diagnostic excellence;
 - Build diagnostic excellence tracks, symposia, pre-courses, and webinars at virtual and in-person specialty society meetings;
 - Highlight diagnostic excellence in specialty society-supported journals, including special issues, journal supplements, sections, or columns on diagnostic excellence;
 - Use specialty society's social media platforms to build interest and expertise in diagnostic excellence, including tweetchats and podcasts;
 - Drive greater focus on diagnosis and symptoms into society clinical registries, clinical practice guidelines, and clinical research efforts;
 - Support society-sponsored quality improvement initiatives and cross-specialty collaboratives that drive team-based approaches to improve diagnosis;
 - Identify, disseminate, and implement innovative strategies from society members that can support improved diagnosis.

Additional Grant Details

- Only CMSS member societies are eligible to apply to the competitive grant program.
- Preference will be given to specialties with more limited prior engagement in diagnostic excellence.
- CMSS members may jointly submit letters of intent with appropriate justification for how the collaboration will support diagnostic excellence across specialties.
- CMSS will serve as a coordinating center to monitor and promote cross-specialty learning, improvement, collaboration, and identification of best practices in diagnostic excellence.
- Findings to be shared with the across specialties to the CMSS membership and to broader medical community.

Questions?



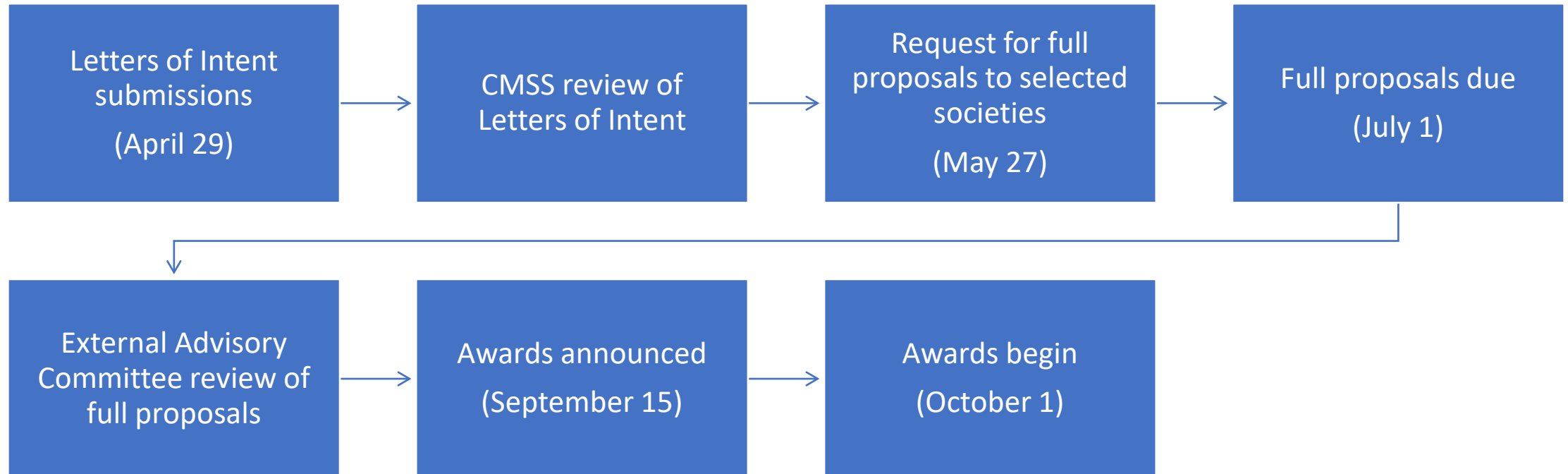
Letters of Intent – Information to Include

- **Background:** State the problem that the project is designed to address. Describe the clinical focus and data-driven rationale for that focus.
- **Project Description:** Describe the proposed project and how it will serve to increase engagement of your members in diagnostic safety, quality, and equity.
- **Objectives:** State the aims and objectives of the project. Describe how the project will promote diagnostic excellence, including safety, quality and equity.
- **Proposed Activities:** Describe the activities and strategies of the proposed project and how they support the overall objectives. Describe the types of resources and programs that will be developed and how they will be disseminated.
- **Outcomes:** Summarize the projected outcomes and measurement strategy of the proposed project in the short term (at the end of the two-year project) and over the long term (3+ years after the project ends).

Letters of Intent – Instructions

- Page limit: two pages, single-spaced
- Send letters by **Friday, April 29** via e-mail to:
Sarah Imhoff, Senior Program Director, CMSS, simhoff@cmss.org
Joan Williams, Project Administrator, CMSS, jwilliams@cmss.org
- Societies invited to submit full proposals will be asked to provide more detailed responses and budget documentation

Grant Selection Process and Timeline



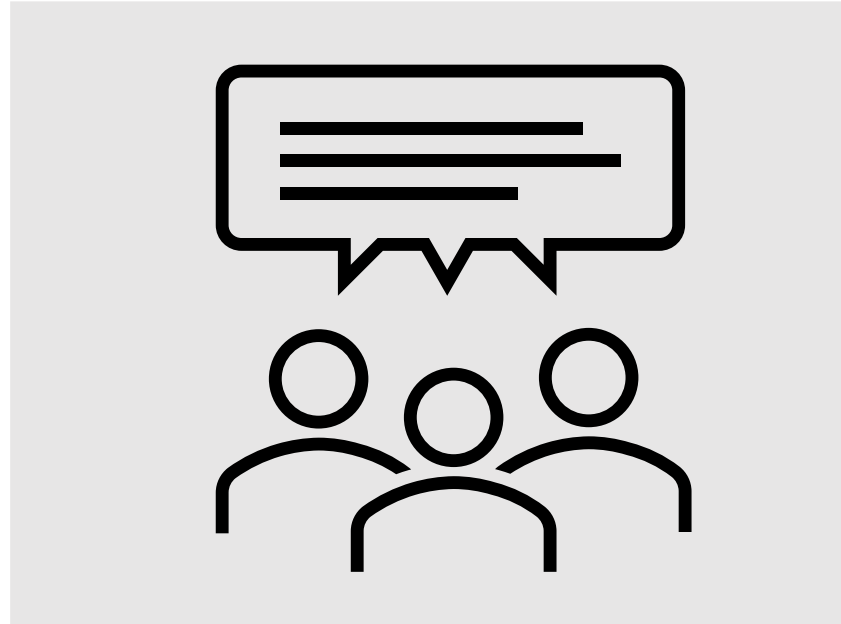
FAQs

- **Who is eligible to apply?** All CMSS members are eligible to apply. Preference will be given to specialties with more limited prior engagement in diagnostic excellence.
- **Will joint submissions by societies be considered?** Yes, CMSS members may jointly submit letters of intent with appropriate justification for how the collaboration will support diagnostic excellence across specialties.

FAQs

- **Can a member society submit more than one application for the grant?** A CMSS member society may submit more than one Letter of Intent. However, each society will only be invited to submit one full proposal.
- **Are there any preferences for program proposal content or focus?**
Programmatic preference will be given to societies that focus on clinical areas that represent a significant portion of preventable harm from diagnostic errors in the society's specialty, as well as the highest risk clinical areas, including cancer, cardiovascular disease, and infection. Preference will also be given to proposals that focus on equity in diagnostic excellence.

Questions?



Closing Remarks

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Closing

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