SVRI Grant 2015

Request for proposals: Strengthening the evidence base for primary prevention of sexual and intimate partner (SIPV) violence in low and middle income countries (LMIC)

SVRI Grant 2015 aims to support research or research related activities that will strengthen the evidence base for the prevention of sexual and intimate partner violence in low and middle income countries. The project should be for a maximum of 12 months duration. The grant is expected to cover all, or the majority of, the project costs. The common characteristic of these grants is the provision of limited funding for a short period of time with a clear measurable outcome. Grants to a maximum of USD100,000 may be awarded. Awards will only be made to institutions and not to individuals.

What will be supported through this grant?

Types of projects that may be supported through this call for proposals include:

- Small, self-contained research projects that are either stand alone or fit within a larger project which will build on, or support primary prevention of intimate partner violence (IPV), including formative research studies, pilot or feasibility studies.
- Qualitative studies to better understand the mechanisms of change of effective IPV primary prevention interventions
- Secondary analysis of existing data
- Development of methods and tools for IPV prevention research
- Research translation and uptake strategies
- Evaluating how to effectively scale up tested IPV primary prevention interventions
- Costing of interventions

If the funds are sought for secondary analysis of data, scale up or dissemination activities, the application must provide sufficient information to enable the scientific quality of the original study to be assessed as well as a description of the activities for which funds are requested.

SVRI Guiding Principles for Research

Research supported by the SVRI should:

- Be ethical and guided by the Sexual Violence Research Agenda
- Be conceptualized within a human rights framework with a focus on resource poor-settings;
- Strive to be cross-sectoral and multi-disciplinary;
- Endeavour to engage the community that is being researched;
Include positive approaches that recognise victims'/survivors' strengths and promote positive change for sexual violence survivors;
Inform policy, programmes and services and serve to strengthen access to comprehensive care and support for sexual violence survivors
Challenge the gender hierarchy that contributes to sexual violence in order to promote gender equity.

Closing date
The closing date for applications for the current round of small research grants is 9th February 2015 at 11:59:59pm South African Standard Time (4:59:59pm EST). Late applications will not be accepted.

How to apply:
• Applications for the **RFP - Building evidence base for primary prevention of sexual and intimate partner violence in low and middle income countries**, must be made online at: [https://proposalcentral.altum.com/](https://proposalcentral.altum.com/)
• To access this grant opportunity you must first create an account on proposalCENTRAL.
• Select South African Medical Research Council / SVRI as the Grant Maker in the drop down menu
• All information needed for proposal submission is available online including SVRI Grant Guidelines.
• All applications must be submitted in English.
• Please try and submit well before the deadline. The MRC and Proposal Central cannot be held responsible for delays in internet connectivity.

RFP information summary:
• **Level of award:** up to a maximum of $100,000 will be awarded.
• **Period of award:** grants are tenable for up to 12 months.
• **Closing date for applications:** 9th February 2015 at 11:59:59pm South African Standard Time (4:59:59pm EST).
• **Further information:**
  o technical aspects of this call: svri@mrc.ac.za
  o online application process: pcsupport@altum.com
• **Method of application:** Applications must be submitted online [https://proposalcentral.altum.com/](https://proposalcentral.altum.com/) (Grant Maker South African Medical Research Council / SVRI)
• Only proposals submitted via the Proposal Central website before the given closing date and time will be considered.