Purpose
The COM-PHX Valley Research Partnership (VRP) catalyzes and supports collaborative research in the Phoenix metropolitan area. This third RFP for the Program in Research Collaboration and Training continues to develop cross-institutional research collaborations enhancing research training, career development, and extramural research funding.

Project Mechanisms
There are three funding mechanisms for the Collaborative Research Program.
P1 Collaborative Medical Student/Graduate Student/Resident/Fellow Projects (up to $10,000; one year)
P2 Collaborative Projects (up to $80,000 total; one or two years)
P3 Collaborative Program Development Projects (up to $200,000 total; one or two years)

Eligibility
Investigators eligible for Round Three awards are faculty at contributing partners: the University of Arizona College of Medicine-Phoenix, St. Joseph’s Hospital and Medical Center/Barrow Neurological Institute, Banner University Medical Center - Phoenix, Phoenix Children’s Hospital, and Maricopa Integrated Health Systems. P1 proposals cover mentored awards between eligible faculty and any medical students, graduate students, residents, or fellows in the Phoenix metropolitan area. Each project under the P2 mechanism and each program under the P3 mechanism must include at least two investigators from two separate contributing partners. Participating institutions control eligibility at their sites.

Key P1 and P2 Dates
RFP released: December 15, 2016
P1/P2 Application Deadline: March 15, 2017
P1/P2 Peer Review: April/May, 2017
P1/P2 Executive Review: May/June, 2017
Earliest anticipated P1/P2 project start: July 1, 2017

P3 Submissions
P3 applications are not subject to deadlines. Each P3 application must be discussed with and preapproved by the VRP program at least 4 months prior to submission. VRP allows submission and awards funding based on program quality, research and funding experience, history of collaboration, synergy with regional research goals, present availability of funds, and future funding potential. See VRP Guidelines and contact VRP Administration for more information.

Contact and Submission Information
Forms, formats and guidelines available at http://phoenixmed.arizona.edu/vrp
Submit P1 and P2 applications by 5 pm MST on 15 March 2017 as a single searchable PDF to:
PBC-VRPGrants@email.arizona.edu

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