“Write Winning Grant Proposals”
A Workshop by David Morrison, Ph.D.
Wednesday, May 2, 2012
Dow Auditorium, Towsley Center

AGENDA

8:00 am  Check In and Pick Up Course Materials
8:30 am  Introduction – Tom Shanley, M.D., Professor, Department of Pediatrics and Communicable Diseases; Associate Dean, Clinical and Translational Research; Director, Michigan Institute for Clinical & Health Research

UM Funding and Resource Overview – Christine Black, M.L.S., Assistant Director of Research Services, Medical School Office of Research

8:45 am  General Writing Concepts
Requirements for Success in Any Application
What Constitutes a Good Research Idea?
The Need for Commitment
Good Grant Writing Skills
NIH Applications – Similarities of Formats

9:30 am  NIH/NSF Organization and Structure
Understanding NIH Priorities
The Role of Program Officers
NIH Mechanisms
NIH Funding Trends / Success Rates and UM Funding Trends / Rates

10:30 am  Morning Break
10:45 am  The Review Process
Concept of Peer Review
Common Assumptions about Peer Review
Formal Processes at Different Agencies
Importance of Identifying Your Reviewers
Recommending or Excluding Reviewers
Implicit vs. Explicit Criteria at NIH

12:00 pm  Lunch – Participants will obtain lunch on their own (the UMHS cafeteria is in close proximity to the Dow Auditorium) – view options for lunch.

1:00 pm  Development of an Application
Review of Grant Application Fundamentals
How to Create Compelling Specific Aims / Overview & Objectives
Specific Aims / Objectives Examples
Significance and Innovation / Broader Impact

2:45 pm  Afternoon Break
3:00 pm  Development of an Application (continued)
The Approach Section – Creating an Outline
Applicant's Biographical Sketch and Environment Section
Budgets – General Concepts
Title and Narrative
Description / Abstract / Project Summary
Critical Review of Your Proposal

4:40 pm  General Discussion / Questions
5:00 pm  Adjourn

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