



Ireland-Northern Ireland-NCI
Cancer Consortium



R&D OFFICE OPPORTUNITIES IN CANCER RESEARCH

NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE (NCI) JOINT RESEARCH PROJECTS IN CANCER

The Ireland-Northern Ireland-NCI Cancer Consortium recognises that preventing cancer is one of the most important scientific and public health goals of the 21st century. The Joint Research Projects in Cancer aim to foster enduring relationships between cancer researchers and research institutions in the US and the island of Ireland through support for a shared post-doctoral or clinical researcher working on a defined cancer research project of mutual interest.

The research areas covered under this call are: clinical sciences, translational research, public health, epidemiology, health service research and practice-based research. The Grant will be awarded on a full-time basis over three years with the post-doctoral/clinical researcher spending at least one year with the Principal Investigator in the island of Ireland and at least one year with the US Co-investigator. The third year may be divided between the two Investigators, as required.

The Grant is open to cancer researchers working on the island of Ireland and in the NCI, in any cancer-related discipline. Each successful applicant is entitled to only one award in any given year. To be eligible, applicants must be a Principle Investigator who is:

- A researcher in a recognised research institution on the island of Ireland or an NCI intramural researcher or an NCI grantee in another research institution in the US. Post-doctoral/clinical researchers can apply for funding to support their own salary but must provide a statement of support from the Head of Department or School in which the research will be carried out;
- Actively engaged in cancer research;
- Able to demonstrate the benefits of the award in terms of research, sustainable collaboration and career advancement.

The grant provides funding for the research costs of the project, the salary of a post-doctoral researcher for a period of up to three years, costs associated with the researcher's travel to and from the US, the cost of attendance by the researcher at one scientific meeting per year and travel and subsistence costs associated with one-week exchange visit for the Investigators from the island of Ireland and the US.

The closing date for receipt of applications is **17 August 2007** for commencement in 2008. Application and Guidance notes on how to apply are available on the HRB website at: <http://www.hrb.ie/fundingavailable> Further information on the application process can also be obtained from the R&D Office, as detailed below.

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NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE (NCI) CANCER PREVENTION FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMME

The Ireland-Northern Ireland-NCI Cancer Consortium recognises that preventing cancer is one of the most important scientific and public health goals of the 21st century. To provide a strong foundation for health professionals and scientists on the island of Ireland to train in the field of cancer prevention and control, the R&D Office, Belfast and Health Research Board, Dublin would like to offer an opportunity to candidates from Northern Ireland and Ireland to participate in the NCI's distinguished Cancer Prevention Fellowship Programme (CPFP). It is intended that individuals applying will pursue careers in cancer prevention upon completion of the fellowship.

The CPFP provides the opportunity to attain a Masters of Public Health (MPH) in year one followed by two years of mentored research in the field of cancer prevention at the NCI, Washington.

Applicants must:

- Hold a doctoral degree (MD, PhD, JD or equivalent) or expect to complete these requirements by the start date of the fellowship;
- Be an Irish citizen of the Republic of Ireland, UK citizen of Northern Ireland or an EU citizen currently working on the island of Ireland;
- For Northern Ireland applicants: be employed by the HPSS; by voluntary, not-for-profit organisations in Northern Ireland involved in health or social care provision; by Queen's University Belfast or by University of Ulster;
- Be eligible to obtain a J1 visa from the relevant US Embassy or Consulate, if successful;
- Be able to demonstrate the benefits of the award in terms of research and career advancement.

If the applicant already possesses a MPH degree and a primary degree in a health-related discipline OR if the applicant possesses a PhD in epidemiology or biostatistics, they can begin the fellowship directly at NCI.

The Cancer Consortium will cover the cost of the stipend for years one and two and the NCI will cover the costs for the third year. The stipend is at the NCI fellowship level and includes travel to/from the US, health insurance costs and the costs of travel to one scientific meeting per year.

The closing date for receipt of applications is **1 September 2007** for entry into the programme in September 2008. Additional information on the CPFP is available from the following website address: <http://cancer.gov/prevention/pob/catalog> and information on the application process can be obtained from the R&D and HRB Office websites, as detailed below.

Cancer Prevention Fellowship

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