



Mentoring and Advisory Council Sessions

(MACs)

MAC sessions comprise a team of senior researchers, clinicians, and clinician scientists who review grant proposals at three different stages:

1. Pre-review of grant concepts.
To do this, we need the topic area of the planned research as well as a sense of the investigator's background and research goals. Usually, an initial consultation is needed. The desired outcomes are refinement of ideas and identification of resources and/or collaborators.
2. Review of draft Specific Aims during grant development and writing phases.
Draft Aims and the funding mechanism(s) being targeted are provided to reviewers. Typically, the investigator has identified an opportunity and is in the process of writing. The desired outcomes are an edited aims page with improved clarity and impact, discussion of potential refinement of the hypotheses, and honing of the overall study design.
3. Review of grant applications before submission.
We need the grant in toto (or as close as possible). The group reviews in the manner of NIH panel members. The outcomes include specific critiques and suggestions that can be addressed prior to submission.

To learn more or to schedule a MAC, email mentoring@de-ctr.org.



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