

# Mentor-Facilitated Training Award

## ELIGIBILITY, RATING, AND SELECTION

### APPLICANT ELIGIBILITY

- ✓ The applicant must be enrolled in a professional healthcare training program or an approved clinical residency or a clinical fellowship training program.
- ✓ The applicant must not have a previous National Institutes of Health (NIH) research fellowship or award.
- ✓ The applicant must not be a previous MFT awardee.

### MENTOR ELIGIBILITY

- ✓ Expertise in dissemination and implementation science or clinical experience in SUD treatment/research.
- ✓ Commitment to applicant and proposed project.
- ✓ Expertise related to the proposed dissemination project.

### SPONSOR-PARTNER ORGANIZATION COMMITMENT

- ✓ The Sponsor-Partner Organization will administer the MFT Award through planning, applicant and mentor coordination, and evaluation of applications.

### INSTITUTIONAL SUPPORT

- ✓ The commitment and willingness of the applicant's institution to provide facilities and support to complete the project as described.

### AWARD SELECTION

MFT applications will be reviewed by researchers, program managers and/or clinicians who are experienced in SUD research dissemination. MFT awardees are selected through a competitive process primarily based on the following:

- Applicant Eligibility
- Mentor Eligibility
- Sponsor-Partner Commitment
- Institutional Support
- Applicant Rating
  - Dissemination Project Merit
  - Demonstrated Interest in SUD Field
  - Award Stipend Adequacy

## APPLICANT RATING

MFT award candidates are evaluated using a five-star rating system based on three key criteria outlined below: Dissemination Project Merit, Demonstrated Interest in the SUD field, and Award Stipend Adequacy. A five-star rating reflects exceptional merit in project dissemination, a strong commitment to advancing SUD research and practice, and an appropriate alignment between the stipend and the scope of work. Lower ratings indicate areas where further development may be needed.



### DISSEMINATION PROJECT MERIT

The quality and viability of the MFT dissemination plan will be evaluated to ensure it is based on existing research findings related to SUD and will increase the applicant's knowledge of SUD.

### DEMONSTRATED INTEREST IN SUDs

The applicant's personal statement should express experience and a record interest in the SUD field.

### AWARD STIPEND ADEQUACY

- 12-month timeline, from 1/1/26 to 1/31/26
- Capacity to meet dissemination objectives and deliverables
- Consistent with allowable expenses
- Includes travel/lodging to Sponsor-Partner Organization annual conference
- Includes travel/lodging to annual NIDA CTN Steering Committee meeting

**For more information or questions, please email [NIDACTNDI@FredrickOak.com](mailto:NIDACTNDI@FredrickOak.com)**

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