



PRE-PROPOSAL SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

General Grants
New Investigator Grants
Educational Grants
LGBTQ+ Grants



**GRANT PROGRAM PRE-PROPOSAL APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS
(this applies to General, New Investigator, Education, LGBTQ+ Grants)**

Introduction:

The NATA Foundation requires investigators interested in submitting a grant application to the NATA Foundation to first submit a “pre-proposal.” The purpose of the pre-proposal is to optimize the time invested by investigators and by the NATA Foundation Research Committee in writing and reviewing grant proposals, respectively. The pre-proposal allows the Research Committee to evaluate whether or not the proposed research project is a potential candidate for funding. Based on this evaluation, the committee will be extending invitations for the submission of a full proposal or indicate that the proposed project is not of interest. An invitation to submit a full proposal does not imply a commitment to funding. It does, however, indicate that the topic is of potential interest to the NATA Foundation and that the general research design seems reasonable based on the information provided in the pre-proposal. After a pre-proposal is accepted, the author has two years from the date of acceptance to submit a full proposal. If this deadline is not met, a new pre-proposal must be submitted. Any commitment to funding may occur only after a detailed review of the full proposal by the Research Committee and formal approval of the project by the NATA Foundation Board of Directors. If the proposed project is not of interest to the NATA Foundation, the committee will provide a brief notice indicating the general category of reason(s). Due to the large volume of pre-proposals submitted, detailed feedback will not be provided.

Pre-proposal Submission

Submission of a pre-proposal is required for these grants. The pre-proposal, with an invitation to submit a full proposal, must have been received by the primary investigator on the same project within the previous 1 year of the grant cycle deadline. Requests to extend this timeline may be considered under special circumstances.

Availability

Proposal Category	Direct Cost Limit	Indirect Cost Rate	Study Period
General	\$50,000	15%	3 years
New Investigator	\$20,000	15%	3 years
Education	\$25,000	15%	3 years
Specialized Request for Proposals(RFP): LGBTQ+ Advisory Committee RFP	\$5,000	0%	3 years

The NATA Foundation permits indirect costs up to 15% of the total direct costs for the following grant categories: General, New Investigator and Education.

Eligibility Requirements

Any health care professional, researcher, or educator may apply for a research grant. However, either the Primary Investigator, or Co-Primary Investigator must be a BOC certified athletic trainer, a member of the NATA, and hold an NPI number. The grant applicant must be the individual whose research project is to be supported by the requested funding.

If you have questions, please contact Kathryn LaLonde MS, ATC, NATA Foundation Programs and Projects Coordinator kathrynl@nata.org.

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All pre-proposal applications are submitted electronically via the [NATA Application Manager website](#). If you are a NATA member, you will use your nata.org login credentials for access to the site. Login to this site early in the proposal preparation process to familiarize yourself with the format of the required submissions. If you do not have nata.org login credentials follow the instructions on the website landing page. Pre-Proposal Applications open in September and close November 15 each year.

Instructions:

Present the background and specific questions to be addressed and the specific hypotheses that will be tested in the project. It is often helpful to present numbered specific aims accompanied by the associated hypotheses. The submission is limited to 1 page, with 2-3 paragraphs of background, the project aims and hypothesis. Submission should be uploaded in PDF format only.

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