

### Call for Demonstration & Pilot Project Proposals using the IAS Biobehavioral Research Facility

IAS is requesting proposals for demonstration projects using IAS's newly renovated state-of-the-art 2,600 square foot clinical research space expressly designed for addiction science at the USC Health Science Campus. This facility includes a room designed to be used as a simulated bar, cannabis dispensary, or tobacco retail space; separate research participation suites with one-way mirrors equipped with ventilation to clear smoke for inhalational drug administration studies; reception and waiting area; offices and conference room; access biospecimen storage; and private patient counseling and exam space.

A total of \$100,000 will be awarded, divided amongst a cluster of demonstration or pilot projects using the space. Projects proposing to use any component of the facility are welcomed. Demonstration projects leveraging the simulated bar/tobacco retailer/cannabis dispensary space are especially encouraged that will provide an infrastructure to support new collaborative multi-investigator/multi-study collaborative research programs. The seed funding should be used as preliminary data to compete for subsequent larger external grants (e.g., NIH P50, P01, U54, R01, U01, R21, R03).

It is highly recommended that prospective applicants discuss their proposals with one of the translational and treatment development research program leaders - John Monterosso (johnrmon@usc.edu), Daryl Davies (ddavies@usc.edu), or Adam Leventhal (adam.leventhal@usc.edu) - while developing the proposal and budget. This will help ensure synergy across submissions and optimize fit with funding priorities.

### Guidelines and Submission

**Components** (all single spaced with 0.5" margins, 11pt font):

- Cover page including: (a) the names, professional titles, affiliations (school/department), and email address of the PI and each investigator, (b) the title of the proposal
- Biosketches or CVs of the PI and each investigator (<5 pages each).
- A brief narrative describing (1-2 pages total):
  - Specific aims and scientific premise
  - An abbreviated overview of methods, including explaining how the facility will be used.
  - Rationale and plan of how the project will be used to compete for subsequent external funding
  - Explanation of how frequently you anticipate using the space
  - Total anticipated budget needed

**Reporting.** All projects selected for funding will be required to submit a 6 month and annual progress report and present on the findings from the project upon completion at a future IAS Institute-Wide Meeting to Research Program Meeting.

**Application Procedures.** Please send your application with all above components in single PDF document to Victoria.williams.0@usc.edu