



Pilot Project Proposal Requirements

- **Investigators and affiliations**
- **Project title**
- **Statement of the purpose of the pilot in one sentence: This pilot project will do XXX.**
- **Text of the Proposal (approximately 2 pages total)**
 - **Specific Aims**
 - **Significance and Methods**
 - **One to two sentences explicating the innovation. Examples: “This project innovates by XXX”, “This project extends research in this area by doing XXX”**
 - **Match with CAPS Themes**
- **End Products**

Please state the phrase as: The R01 or R21 arising from this project will go beyond the pilot by doing XXX/examining XXX/applying this method to XXX
- **Timeline (approx. ¼ page)**
 - Tasks and goals for the project are broken down by quarters.
 - Plan for submitting a larger grant to NIA, specifying the mechanism
- **Budget (approx. ½ to 1 page)**
 - Detailed budget
 - Budget justification
- **NIH Biosketch**

Please format your proposal using the template at the end of this announcement

Projects selected for funding will also be required to provide an NIH section on human subjects

- **NIH protection of human subjects information including enrollment table**
- **IRB approval**

Review Criteria

- **Topic area:** Alignment with aging in sexual minority populations, CAPS themes and population science
- **Potential impact and innovation:** Extending prior science via cutting-edge methodology or conceptual framing
- **Scientific design:** Including conceptual framework, methodology, and measurement
- **Feasibility:** Timeline and budget appropriate for project goals and design
- **End product goals:** Presentations, publications, and grant submission. The feasibility of a successful larger grant application is a key criterion.
- **Investigators:**
 - Early stage investigators:
 - Track record of publication
 - Strong interest in grant proposal process and intention to submit a proposal