

## Hartford Award for Research and Practice (HARP) for Doctor of Nursing Practice Project Funding Request for Applications

### Purpose

The purpose of the HARP for Doctor of Nursing Practice Project Funding is to assist students in the OHSU School of Nursing D.N.P. program during a critical phase of their education. It is **awarded to D.N.P. students to help support a project (NURS 703)** whose focus is on **improving the health and health care of older adults**. Projects that take into account the NIA's "[Strategic Directions for Research, 2020-2025](#)", particularly those that concentrate on health disparities related to aging or strategies to improve the health status of older adults in diverse or rural populations, will have priority.

**Up to \$3,000 is available per award.**

### Eligibility Requirements

OHSU SoN D.N.P. students applying for this award must meet all of the following criteria:

1. The D.N.P. project is focused on improving the health and health care of older adults
2. Student is enrolled in or has completed NURS 703A "DNP Project Planning"
3. A Request for Determination has been submitted to IRB
4. Student's D.N.P. Project Chair endorses HARP financial support
5. Completion of the project is expected within one year

### Application Process and Timeline

The Hartford Center of Gerontological Excellence (HCGE) oversees the HARP program. ***You may apply for HARP funding for your project when you meet the eligibility requirements outlined above.*** If approved, funding begins upon award notification from the HCGE *and* IRB approval.

[Office of Proposal and Award Management \(OPAM\)](#) provides pre-award administration. You must work with the SoN **Office of Research Development and Support (ORDS)** staff to develop your budget. Please contact [snords@ohsu.edu](mailto:snords@ohsu.edu) at least one month prior to submitting your proposal. **Applications will be considered incomplete until a SoN ORDS staff member has reviewed and signed off on your budget.** Best practice is to have an idea of the costs you would like this award to cover before you meet with the ORDS staff.

<b>Applications accepted:</b>	When D.N.P. student is enrolled in or has completed NURS 703A
<b>ORDS meeting:</b>	One month before HARP proposal submission
<b>Anticipated date for notification of award:</b>	No later than one month after proposal submission is received
<b>Funding begins:</b>	Upon formal HCGE award notification and IRB approval

### Application Guidelines

The application should be submitted electronically as one PDF document to Beverly Bruechert, Program Administrator for the HCGE, at [bruecher@ohsu.edu](mailto:bruecher@ohsu.edu), with a copy to [SNORDS@ohsu.edu](mailto:SNORDS@ohsu.edu). **Page limit is 1-2 page(s), single-spaced, 1" margins all around, in Arial, 11-point font.**

Please include:

1. A 3-4 sentence summary of the improvement project
2. Brief statement on relevance of project for improving the health and health care of older adults
3. Brief description of progress to date
4. Timeline for completion of remaining D.N.P. project activities
5. A one or two sentence description of planned "next steps" after graduation

The following required components of the application are not included in the page limit:

1. A current **curriculum vitae**
2. A **letter of support** from the D.N.P. Project Chair with *confirmation of estimated timeline and endorsement of financial support*
3. **Budget request and justification**. The budget and budget justification should be approximately one page in length and include line items with costs, followed by a narrative budget justification. **Please note: HARP funds are restricted** and do not fund indirect costs or salary, tuition, or fees for the D.N.P. student requesting funding.  
**Allowable expenses include:**  
Services, supplies, and small equipment  
Publication and printing costs  
Project implementation costs  
Incentives for focus group participants  
Consultant fees and their travel  
Travel expenses necessary for conducting the project  
Travel approved by the HCGE to professional meetings to disseminate results (up to \$1500)  
Food and refreshments when appropriate for meetings that include study participants, e.g., focus groups (Food expenses should meet OHSU policy)
4. **Reference page** including cited references and, if appropriate, additional resources used to develop the proposal and the study. References must be in the APA format.

### **Evaluation Criteria**

Proposals will be evaluated based upon the following criteria:

1. *Relevance and Innovation*: The project demonstrates the potential to improve the health or health care for older adults.
2. *Feasibility*: The project includes appropriate and feasible timeline for completion of project within one year.
3. *Synergism*: The project leverages the student for ongoing practice to improve the health or health care for older adults.
4. *Budget Justification*: The budget requested is appropriate for the proposed project.

### **Review Committee**

The HARP Review Committee evaluates and prioritizes proposals and makes funding decisions according to availability of funds.

### **Expected Outcomes**

After the final project presentation, HARP recipients are asked to submit a brief, final report about the significance of this award to the completion of their project. The report should be no more than 500 words. It should include the final budget report (not included in word count). This should be completed no later than 60 days after the presentation of the D.N.P. project. Please send the final report to the Hartford Center Program Administrator, Beverly Bruechert at [bruecher@ohsu.edu](mailto:bruecher@ohsu.edu).

HARP funding should be acknowledged in the final project. Suggested text: *This D.N.P. project was supported, in part, by the Frances Price Estate Fund through the OHSU Foundation and the Hartford Center of Gerontological Excellence at OHSU.*

### **Program Administration**

All communication regarding the HARP program should be directed to Beverly Bruechert at [bruecher@ohsu.edu](mailto:bruecher@ohsu.edu) or 503-494-0222. Post-award financial management will be administered by ORDS.

Our HCGE welcomes applications from all qualified individuals. We do not discriminate based on race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability, age, genetic make-up, gender identity, or sexual orientation.