



## **Geri Fournier Ovarian Cancer Research Grant Application**

### **MIOCA Geri Fournier Ovarian Cancer Research Grant Application Information**

The Michigan Ovarian Cancer Alliance (MIOCA) was established in 2011 and is a Community Partner of the Ovarian Cancer Research Fund Alliance. MIOCA is a 501(c)(3) non-profit, has no full time staff and is mainly operated by volunteers. MIOCA strives to save lives by promoting early detection of ovarian cancer and improved treatment outcomes. In addition to community outreach and education, MIOCA provides advocacy, resources, and support throughout the state of Michigan. In accordance with its mission, MIOCA is committed to collaborating with ovarian cancer researchers by funding research in the state of Michigan.

### **MIOCA Geri Fournier Ovarian Cancer Research Grant Eligibility:**

Research proposals may be individual projects or part of a larger research project related to ovarian, peritoneal, or fallopian tube cancers. Awards will be granted only to projects conducted in the state of Michigan by Michigan-based researchers. Project funding is available for one year of activity with the possibility of extension.

All research proposals will be considered; however, special consideration will be given to:

1. Proposals which may lead to early detection, better treatment or a cure for ovarian cancer
2. Projects that may benefit women currently living with ovarian cancer
3. Projects that will result in the development of preliminary data which will enable the investigator to compete for larger national grants
4. Projects that might not otherwise be funded through other sources

Grant proposals may not exceed \$50,000 per year.

### **MIOCA Geri Fournier Ovarian Cancer Research Grant Selection**

Proposals will be reviewed by a committee established by the board consisting of consumer reviewers and scientific experts in the field of ovarian cancer research. Recommendations will be voted on by the MIOCA Board of Directors.

### **Timeline**

1. Deadline for submission: All proposals must be postmarked or electronically received by midnight (EDT) on Sunday, January 14, 2018.
2. MIOCA will notify research grant applicants of awards by April 6, 2018.

## **MIOCA Geri Fournier Ovarian Cancer Research Grant Application Requirements:**

1. Abstract of proposed research, including rationale, significance, and a brief overview of the research methods.
2. Summary (one paragraph) which describes the proposed research in terms an educated lay person would understand and describes the significance of the research to the patient population.
3. Research proposal, including rationale of the study, significance of research, hypotheses and aims, and an overview of the research design and methods, as well as the principal and co-investigators. It is not necessary to include an explanation of why ovarian cancer is worthy of being studied or basic statistics on ovarian cancer.
4. Research proposal is not to exceed 6 pages. Additional supporting information may be provided in addenda, if deemed essential.
5. Budget detailing direct cost expenditures. No miscellaneous costs shall be included in the budget. All costs must be itemized (e.g. number of mice required @ cost per mouse). MIOCA funds cannot be used for indirect costs, principal and co-investigator salary replacement or travel expenses. Direct salary costs for laboratory support personnel are allowed.
6. Information about principal investigator (PI) and co-investigators, including:
  - Biographical statement of career goals of PI (one page)
  - Contact information of PI, including direct phone number and email address
  - Curriculum vitae of PI and co-investigators, including education, honors, professional experience, publications, grants
  - Any conflict of interest that the PI may have that could possibly influence the research outcomes
7. Letter of recommendation from the relevant person overseeing the institution, department or laboratory where the research will be conducted (i.e., department chair).
8. If Institutional Review Board approval is required for the study, indicate if approval is pending or obtained.
9. Project timeline detailing the expected chronological progress of research goals over one year's timeframe.
10. Review of similar studies, including similar studies (underway or pending) which might influence subject accrual.

Grants are awarded based on the submitted proposals. No changes may be made to proposals funded by MIOCA. If partial funding is awarded, recipient should apply the monies toward the submitted proposal.

Electronic proposals should be emailed to [info@mioca.org](mailto:info@mioca.org) and must be received by MIOCA by midnight EDT on Sunday, January 14, 2018.

**All research proposals will be handled confidentially by MIOCA.**