College of Medicine Translational Team Science TTS) Letter of Intent Overview

Program Overview:

Rationale and Requirements: The College of Medicine has established a new funding program targeted support newly established research teams of two faculty members (one basic scientist and one clinical scientist) with different but complementary expertise to conduct basic, translational, or clinical research.

Priority will be given to research conducted in areas consistent with MUSC Health and College of Medicine strategic areas.

Team members may have faculty appointments (Associate or Full Professor) in the same or different departments. The long-term goal is for both team members to successfully compete for RO1 support.

Funds Available: \$100,000/year **Duration**: Two years

Progress Reports and Oversight: Progress reports at 6-month intervals will report publication preparation and submissions and grant preparation and submissions. It is expected that one NIH R01 or equivalent proposals will be submitted (one from each PI) by the end of the funding period.

Nomination: Research teams can self-nominate or be nominated by their department chair(s).

Letters of Intent: (One PDF)

Nominations/Letters of Intent due by March - submit to Mary McConnell and include:

- The team members, credentials, rank, department, department chair
- > The general area of research that the grants will be centered around
- The significance and innovation of the grant proposal that will result from the TTS grant
- Existing preliminary data and new data that will be developed from the TTS grant to support new R01 application and joint team publications
- > A statement that the chair(s) supports the COMETS application and is/are copied on the letter
- > Two-page limit