WELCOME & OVERVIEW

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AGENDA

OVERVIEW OF IRP

OVERVIEW OF OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR PLANNING AND EVALUATION (ASPE), OFFICE OF HUMAN SERVICES POLICY (HSP)

2022-24 FOCUAL AREAS: (1) CHILD WELFARE; (2) POPULATIONS RETURNING TO THEIR COMMUNITIES FROM INCARCERATION
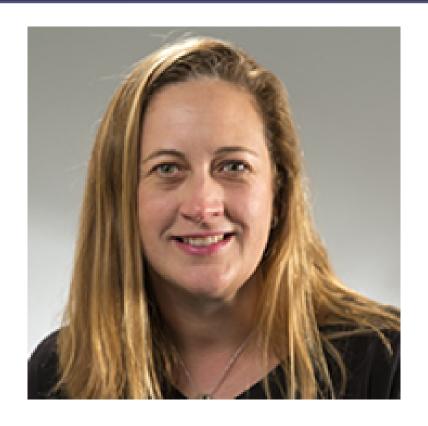
LOGISTICS OF THE APPLICATION PROCESS

APPLICATION RESOURCES

Q&A

WRAP UP & CLOSING

WELCOME FROM IRP'S DIRECTOR

KATHERINE MAGNUSON
DIRECTOR, INSTITUTE FOR
RESEARCH ON POVERTY

INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH ON POVERTY
UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN

- National Research Center on Poverty and Economic Mobility
- 275+ on and off-campus affiliates
- https://www.irp.wisc.edu/

GRANT OVERVIEW

- Ph.D. holding scholars at all levels at U.S. based universities other than UW-Madison

- Fund research on

    (1) child welfare; and

    (2) populations returning to their communities from incarceration

GRANT OVERVIEW

- Fund research that is:
  - Policy-relevant
  - Engages affected communities
  - Focuses on the policy implications for human services programs administered by HHS

OVERVIEW of ASPE

MIRANDA LYNCH-SMITH
Deputy Assistant Secretary, Office of
Human Services Policy,

SOFI MARTINEZ
Social Science Analyst, Office of Human
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OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR PLANNING AND EVALUATION

- ASPE is the principal advisor to the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services on policy development.

- Responsible for major activities in policy coordination, strategic planning, policy research, evaluation, and economic analysis.

- Within ASPE, HSP conducts policy research, analysis, evaluation, and coordination on various issues across the Department.

OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR PLANNING AND EVALUATION
Office of Human Services Policy

- Focused on human services programs and their ability to promote economic and social well-being.

- HSP's work centers on three overlapping goals:
  - Enhancing equity, inclusion, diversity & access
  - Amplifying evidence around prevention of social welfare challenges and crisis
  - Identifying aligned well-being metrics for program adoption

CHILD WELFARE

- Seeking research to help us understand and inform policies regarding children and families in or at risk of entry to the child welfare system
  - Prevention of maltreatment and foster care
  - The phenomenon of oversurveillance and how that affects well-being of children and families

- Must be designed to generate potential policy and/or programmatic implications + include meaningful engagement with affected communities.

REENTRY FROM INCARCERATION

- Seeking research that identifies structural and systemic barriers and informs policies and programs that aim to understand and improve outcomes for community members returning from incarceration and prevent repeated involvement with the justice system.

- Must be designed to generate potential policy and/or programmatic implications and include meaningful engagement with affected communities.

LOGISTICS OF THE APPLICATION PROCESS
Funding

- 4 to 5 projects awarded funding of up to $50,000 each

- Funding includes indirect costs

- The grant contract period is flexible, depending on scope of the project (no longer than 24 months)

GRANT ACTIVITIES

- Meet with IRP within first 6 weeks of the grant period
- Submit quarterly progress reports
- Submit draft paper 3 months before the end of the grant period
- Meet with IRP within 2 weeks of submitting draft
- Submit revised final draft of paper by end of grant period
- Present the paper
- Submit a final paper for academic publication within 9 months

LOGISTICS OF THE APPLICATION PROCESS
Eligibility

- PI must hold a doctorate or highest degree in their field
- Proposals invited from scholars at all career stages and from all disciplines
- Must be associated with a U.S. university
- UW–Madison faculty and post-docs are ineligible

LOGISTICS OF THE APPLICATION PROCESS
Two-Stage Application Process

- Stage 1: submit **online letter of intent** by January 18, 2022

  - IRP will provide feedback to applicants by February 11, 2022

- Stage 2: Invited applicants to submit **online full proposal** by March 13, 2022

LOGISTICS OF THE APPLICATION PROCESS
Stage 1: Letter of Intent

- **Online letter of intent** due by January 18, 2022
- Upload as 1 pdf:
  - 2-Page letter of intent that describes a high-level overview of:

Issue(s) to be examined	Data sources
Hypothesis	Anticipated results
Methodology	Engagement with affected communities

  - CV for the PI

LOGISTICS OF THE APPLICATION PROCESS
LOI Review Criteria

- Topic's relevance to child welfare or reentry from incarceration

- Potential usefulness and implications for human services programs administered by HHS

- Quality and feasibility of the plan for engaging affected communities in research or dissemination process

LOGISTICS OF THE APPLICATION PROCESS
Feedback from IRP

- IRP will provide feedback to applicants by February 11, 2022
- Invited applicants will then have an additional four weeks to submit a full proposal.

LOGISTICS OF THE APPLICATION PROCESS
Stage 2: Full Proposal

- Submit **online full proposal** by March 13, 2022
- Upload as 1 pdf:
  - Proposal (up to 8 pages)
  - Itemized budget
  - CV for all investigators
  - Letter of support from home institution's RSP
  - Plan for obtaining IRB approval or exemption

LOGISTICS OF THE APPLICATION PROCESS
Proposal Selection Criteria

- Relevance to child welfare or reentry from incarceration
- Usefulness for human services programs administered by HHS
- Usefulness for the advancement of scientific knowledge
- Clarity of stated objectives, methods, and anticipated results
- Appropriateness of the research design
- Clarity of stated plan for engaging affected communities
- Ability of research to be conducted in the timeframe established
- Reasonableness of estimated cost
- The qualifications and experience of personnel

LOGISTICS OF THE APPLICATION PROCESS
Timeline

- January 18, 2022: LOI Deadline

- February 11, 2022: Feedback from IRP on LOI

- March 13, 2022: Proposal Deadline

- Mid-May 2022: Notification of Awards

- June 1, 2022: Contract Begins (flexible)

- Contract period is flexible, but cannot exceed 24 months from grant start date

APPLICATION RESOURCES

Get application instructions at:

https://www.irp.wisc.edu/irp-extramural-large-grants-2022-2024-call-for-applications/

Review frequently asked questions at:

https://www.irp.wisc.edu/irp-extramural-large-grants-2022-2024-frequently-asked-questions-faqs/

Send questions to:

irpapply@ssc.wisc.edu

Sign up for IRP email announcements at: https://www.irp.wisc.edu/connect/

Q&A

Questions?

Thank You!