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## Call for *Publication Accelerator* Pilot Proposals Utilizing Existing Data Sets on Sleep and Mental Health in Youth

The EP Bradley Hospital COBRE Center for Sleep and Circadian Rhythms in Child and Adolescent Mental Health is seeking **Publication Accelerator Pilot Proposals** that utilize existing data sets containing information on both sleep and mental health in youth. This opportunity is aimed at researchers interested in leveraging already-collected data resulting in a published article on the associations of sleep patterns and mental health outcomes in youth.

Eligible data sources include (but are not limited to):

- 1. Clinical Data Sets:** Proposals may focus on internally-available clinical data sets that have been approved by Institutional Review Boards (IRBs) for chart review analysis (request info about data sets [here](#)).
- 2. Publicly Available Data:** Researchers can also use publicly available data sets such as the ABCD (Adolescent Brain Cognitive Development) study or similar large-scale studies.
- 3. Secondary Projects:** Proposals may also involve secondary analysis of data collected through existing grants. This option allows researchers to extend the impact of their previous studies by examining research questions related to sleep and mental health that were not the primary focus of the original project.
- 4. Review Projects:** Researchers may propose a review or meta-analysis to summarize, critically analyze, and synthesize existing studies. The goals being to identify trends and gaps, to evaluate methodologies or theoretical perspectives, and to strengthening evidence to inform clinical practice, policy, or to guide future research.

The *Publication Accelerator* pilot proposal must aim to **advance research in sleep or circadian rhythms and pediatric mental health**; we encourage innovative proposals that seek to uncover new insights and understanding of the complex interplay between sleep and mental health in young people, identify potential risk or protective factors, and inform interventions or policies aimed at improving youth well-being.

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We look forward to receiving your pilot grant proposal for review **on a continuous basis**.

Submit a **single pdf file** [here](#) that includes the following components:

- A. A cover page listing your name, current academic rank, hospital affiliation(s), and a working title for your proposal.
- B. An **overview of your proposal** - aims and approach, IRB and Data Transfer matters, if applicable - not to exceed two pages.
- C. Intentions to utilize COBRE Center research cores, if known.
- D. A simple **budget** of anticipated costs, not to exceed one page. If salary support is not included, please include your source.
- E. **Please include the journal to which you intend to submit. The journal MUST permit immediate compliance with NIH Public Access Policy so be sure to select one with no or low cost fees for this access.**
- F. Your current Brown-formatted CV.

**Please ensure the *Publication Accelerator* pilot proposal includes details about data access, analysis methods, and ethical considerations, including how IRB & Data Transfer Use Agreements requirements will be addressed, if applicable.**

Applicants must hold a doctoral degree at the time of funding; **junior investigators and post-docs** are encouraged to apply. Established investigators will also be considered. Preference will be given to individuals employed by Bradley Hospital or within the Brown University Health system.

**Review Process and Selection Criteria: Up to five awards from ~\$1,500-\$15,000 for up to 6 months** will be awarded. We encourage the submission of **small accelerator proposals** that include **publication fees, data set access fees, training fees, and salary support**. Proposals will be reviewed by members of the COBRE's Executive Leadership Team, and assessment of the suitability for funding will be made soon after the proposal is received. Proposals will be evaluated for relevance to the COBRE Center goals, proposed products of the research (i.e., publications), and potential to inform applicant's future research.

The Center faculty are available to assist the selected investigator(s) in identifying appropriate mentor(s), if needed. Consultation services may be provided by the Center's Research Cores, these include:

[Pediatric Biopsychology Research Core \(PBRC\)](#) [\(click here for more information\)](#)

[Sleep and Circadian Methods Research Core \(SCMRC\)](#) [\(click here for more information\)](#)

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