

Please prepare your Concept Proposal with Arial font size 11, and set all page margins to 1 inch. Concept proposals should be 1-2 pages in length.

Required elements of Concept Proposal include:

Title Page

Will include the following identifiers:

- Title of the project
- Study Principal Investigator, Collaborators (highlight senior investigator if applicable) and Institution
- Date
- Version number

1. Background and Rationale

Provide a brief outline of the existing evidence, gap in knowledge, and rationale for conducting this research. The research teams prior studies and/or experience in this area should be highlighted where relevant.

2. Specific Aims

The hypothesis and specific aims should be clearly stated.

3. Study Design

This section includes: (1) A description of the type of study (e.g., multicenter, cluster-randomized controlled trial, etc.) and a rationale for the design chosen. (2) Study population including patient eligibility (inclusion, exclusion criteria). (3) Interventions/exposures. (4) Outcomes (primary, secondary, and how they will be measured). (5) A brief description of the analysis and sample size (with justification) should be provided. (6) An overview of study timelines.

4. Study Significance

A description of how this research will develop the PI's research program, advance research in this area, and/or inform clinical practice/health policies should be provided.