Dean’s Innovation Pilot Awards in Healthy Aging: Clarification on Eligibility Requirements – March 25, 2019

The Office of the Dean for Research Operations and Global Programs has issued the following update to the eligibility requirements for the Dean’s Innovation Pilot Awards in Healthy Aging:

Harvard/MIT Faculty status

Full-time faculty members in the Harvard/MIT community who do not meet the appointment level at or above Assistant Professor may submit an exception request letter to the Dean’s office in order to apply as Co-PI on a proposal. Exception letters and a CV may be submitted concurrently with the proposal or submitted for immediate review to DeansInitiatives@hms.harvard.edu. The exception letter must include a compelling justification for the submission, as well as support from the individual’s institution that he or she may be a Co-PI. The Primary PI and the proposal must meet all other requirements of the RFA.

Inclusion of Collaborators Outside the Harvard Community

Primary PIs who meet the eligibility requirements may request to include Co-PIs outside the Harvard/MIT Community if the collaborator’s involvement is essential to the project. Any applications utilizing such collaborators must include a paragraph in their justification stating the reason for this specific collaborator’s involvement and the need to seek a collaborator’s expertise outside the Harvard/MIT community. The Co-PI from the collaborating institution must have PI status at his/her institution. The application must include a separate PHS 398 Face Page with signature from an institutional authorized official.