



Research Centers Collaborative Network (RCCN) Fund for Interdisciplinary Meetings

The Research Centers Collaborative Network (RCCN) fosters new cross-disciplinary collaborations by bringing together scientists from disciplines represented in the seven NIA-supported center programs. The RCCN's goal is to uncover synergies and insights that lead to novel collaborations, and, ultimately, to better the lives of older adults.

The RCCN sponsors Workshops to achieve this goal. In addition, it also supports relevant meetings organized by other groups that can advance the program's interest in encouraging cross-disciplinary collaborations. Specifically, the **RCCN Fund for Interdisciplinary Meetings provides travel awards to early career researchers** from a range of disciplines to participate in these meetings.

To be eligible for this award, the meeting must be relevant to the mission of at least one of the 7 NIA center programs (i.e., AITC, Shock, Roybal, RCMAR, OAIC/Pepper, ADRC, or CDEA). The RFA for travel awardees must also be developed to target early career applicants with a demonstrated interest in translational or multidisciplinary research.

Applications are accepted on a rolling basis.

To apply for funding please submit the following as a single PDF to elizabeth@afar.org:

- [Application cover page](#)
- Current meeting agenda with dates, location, topics, and speaker information
- Summary of process of outreach and review of potential awardees
- Budget (up to \$15,000 can be requested)

If funded, the meeting organizers will be expected to acknowledge the support of the RCCN in meeting materials, submit a brief report to the RCCN with details on the travel awardees and meeting, and a summary of post-meeting evaluations that included awardees.