



PKD FOUNDATION
Pre-Application
Review and Scoring Criteria

Submission

Applicants will be asked to submit all pre-applications to research@pkdcure.org.

Submission period: June – August 17, 2020

Reviewer assignments:

Pre-applications will be reviewed by two scientific reviewers, including SAC members and ad hoc reviewers with complementary expertise.

For resubmissions, at least one reviewer from the previous cycle will be assigned when possible.

Assignments will be made by end of August; pre-application review: September-October 2020

Pre-application scoring and review

Pre-applications will undergo peer review to identify those proposals with the highest chance of receiving funding in the current grant cycle.

Peer Reviewers will evaluate the applications using the following process:

- Utilize the NIH scoring system (1-9) to score two criteria:
 - Significance to and impact on PKD
 - Scientific merit and approach
- Rank order all assigned proposals in the event of equivalency of scores.
- Provide a brief summary explaining key strengths and weaknesses to justify score and ranking. The scores and summaries will not be provided to applicants.

If the application is a resubmission, reviewers will be asked to comment on whether they believe the planned revisions to be adequate.

Full application invitations

PKDF and SAC leadership will review the scores and recommendations from the Grant Review Committee. Final selections will be made based on Peer Review scores, alignment with PKDF mission (topics of special consideration) and current grant cycle funding limits. Those applicants determined to have submitted the most meritorious pre-applications will be invited to submit full proposals.

Invitations and notifications will be sent to applicants in late October 2020.