Grant Title: PSYCHOSOCIAL/BEHAVIORAL INTERVENTIONS AND SERVICES RESEARCH IN AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDERS

Grant Number: PA-07-343

Area of Research: Exploratory research on psychosocial/behavioral treatments for autism, as well as innovative services research.


Application Deadlines: R34-New: February 16, June 16, October 16 annually; Resubmissions: March 16, July 16, November 16 annually.

Amount: R34: Up to $450,000 over a 3-year period. Up to $225,000 in direct costs per year.

Length of Support: R34: 3 years.

Eligible applicants: For-profit or non-profit organizations; public, state, or private institutions, such as universities, colleges, hospitals, and laboratories; units of state and local governments; eligible agencies of the Federal government; foreign and domestic institutions; faith- or community-based organizations; units of state and local Tribal governments and organizations; and small business

Agency/ Department: NIH; NIMH, NIDCD, NICHD, NINDS, NINR

Summary: This funding opportunity supports exploratory research on psychosocial/behavioral treatments for autism, as well as innovative services research including the development of instruments to evaluate the impact of interventions on core features of autism spectrum disorders, and comorbid symptomatology. It is intended to encourage research on: 1) the development and/or pilot testing of new or adapted interventions or instruments, 2) pilot testing interventions with preliminary efficacy data in larger clinical trials, or 3) innovative services research directions that require preliminary testing or development. Some examples of research topics related to intervention that may be addressed under this FOA include, but are not limited to: studies to refine and/or validate specific existing psychosocial/behavioral interventions for individuals with autism; studies that compare one psychosocial/behavioral treatment approach with another; studies that relate phenotypic characteristics of individuals with autism to treatment outcomes; and studies of the relationship between family variables and treatment outcome.