Grant Title: WOMEN’S MENTAL HEALTH AND SEX/GENDER DIFFERENCES RESEARCH (R01, R21)

Grant Number: PA-07-164; PA-06-334

Area of Research: Research on women’s mental health and sex/gender differences in mental health across the lifespan.

Release and Expiration: April 7, 2006 release; May 2, 2009 expiration

Annual Deadline: R01-New: February 5, June 5, October 5 annually; Resubmissions: March 5, July 5, November 5 annually; R21-New: February 16, June 16, October 16 annually; Resubmissions: March 16, July 16, November 16 annually; AIDS Related: May 1, September 1, January 2 annually.

Amount: R01: Typically under $500,000 per year in direct costs; if request equals or exceeds $500,000, prior approval is required; R21: $275,000 direct costs for the 2 year period

Length of Support: R01: Up to 5 years; R21: 2 years

Eligible Applicants: For profit organizations; Non-profit organizations; Public or private institutions, such as universities, colleges, hospitals and laboratories; Units of State government; Units of local government; Eligible agencies of the Federal government; Domestic institutions; Foreign institutions; Faith-based or community-based organizations; Units of State Tribal government; and Units of Local Tribal government.

Agency/ Department: NIH; NIMH

Summary: The purpose of this funding opportunity is to support research on women's mental health and sex/gender differences in mental health across the lifespan. This program announcement identifies three major areas for research emphasis: basic and clinical neuroscience; epidemiology and risk factors; and intervention and services research. Basic and Clinical Neuroscience: Neurobiological sex differences impact a wide array of behaviors and may alter vulnerability to different mental disorders, severity of course, and/or response to different treatments. Epidemiology and Risk Factors: Advances in diagnosis and in survey methodologies have enabled researchers to establish general estimates of the impact of mental disorders in women and men and their intervention and service needs. Studies to further elucidate the role of gender-related or gender-specific factors in diagnosis, epidemiology, risk for onset or recurrence, and in the course of mental disorders across the lifespan are needed. Intervention and Services Research: Interventions are defined here to include preventive, treatment, services-system and rehabilitative strategies at the individual, provider, organizational and systems levels. There is a need to incorporate consideration of such issues in the design and analysis of outcomes in mental health research.