**Foundation:** March of Dimes

**Grant Title:** March of Dimes Research Program

**Area of Research:** Supporting scientists researching the prevention of birth defects

**Deadline:** Letter of intent—April 30, 2005

**Amount:** $34,785 to $107,050 over a 3 period

**Length of Support:** Three years

**Eligible applicants:** Qualified scientists with faculty appointments or the equivalent, at universities, hospitals and research institutions.

**Summary:** Qualified scientists with faculty appointments or the equivalent, at universities, hospitals and research institutions, are encouraged to submit applications for research grants directed at the prevention of birth defects. Research subjects appropriate for support by the March of Dimes include basic biological processes governing development, genetics, clinical studies, studies of reproductive health, environmental toxicology, and social and behavioral studies.

In Social and Behavioral Sciences, we are interested in applications proposing research that advances our understanding of – and therefore our ability to prevent – the cognitive and behavioral risks that affect outcomes of pregnancy, the perinatal period, and subsequent child development. Because change in behavior is an important component of several of our campaigns, we are interested in studies that address this method of prevention. These grants do not cover the recipient's or other faculty salaries, but do provide salary support for technical help.

**Detailed Information:** [http://www.marchofdimes.com/professionals/691_14434.asp](http://www.marchofdimes.com/professionals/691_14434.asp)