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**CARTEEH Competitive Research Program FAQs**

**What is the timeline for the competitive process?**

* May 29, 2019 – Call for problem statements.
* June 21, 2019 – Problem statement deadline.
* July 31, 2019 – Notification of project selections. Principal Investigators of the selected projects will be required to submit a detailed work plan and budget for approval, following which they will receive a formal notification of award. Projects may start as early as August 15, 2019, and no later than November 1, 2019.

**How much will be awarded for each project?**

The amount of each award varies by partner institution; however, most institutions are planning to fund small studies in the range of $50,000–$100,000. The scope of the study should be proportionate to the amount requested.

**Who is eligible to apply?**

Projects must be led by a researcher from one of the CARTEEH consortium institutions. CARTEEH institutions may allow students, with faculty support, to apply for support for work on completing their thesis or dissertation for analysis of CARTEEH-related data. Such support will typically be limited to no more than two semesters.

**What should be the project duration?**

Projects are typically for a 12–18-month period, but shorter projects will also be considered.

**What format should be used for the problem statements and full work plans?**

Problem statement templates may be found [here](https://www.carteeh.org/research/call-for-problem-statements/). Work plan templates will be sent to the Principal Investigators of projects selected to move forward, when they are notified in July 2019.

**Where should my problem statement be submitted?**

Applicants should submit their problem statement to their institution’s CARTEEH lead or their delegate. A list of contacts may be found [here](https://www.carteeh.org/leadership/).

**Is cost sharing required?**

Cost sharing is not required; however, it or leveraging is encouraged and will be taken into consideration as part of our evaluation of problem statements. For questions about the differences between the two, please contact CARTEEH’s Assistant Director of Administration: m-walker@tti.tamu.edu.

**Are collaborators external to the CARTEEH consortium institutions allowed to participate?**

We encourage collaboration between the CARTEEH consortium members when possible. However, if the proposed external collaborator brings unique expertise that is unavailable from a consortium member, it would be allowable. Justification for the use of this individual is required.

**What are the evaluation criteria for problem statements?**

Applications from each CARTEEH member institution will be evaluated by the CARTEEH Executive Committee, considering the following criteria:

* Alignment with RFP priority areas.
* Research quality.
* Student involvement.
* Technology transfer impacts.
* Cost-sharing and leveraging of funds.