

PATHWAY TO INDEPENDENCE AWARDS

The National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research (NIDCR) supports programs that foster research training to develop a diverse biomedical, behavioral, and clinical research workforce dedicated to solving problems in oral, dental, and craniofacial health. The NIDCR funds research training, career development, and diversity activities through programs targeted to undergraduate, graduate, postdoctoral, and junior to senior faculty levels.

NIDCR Supports Two Pathway to Independence Award Programs

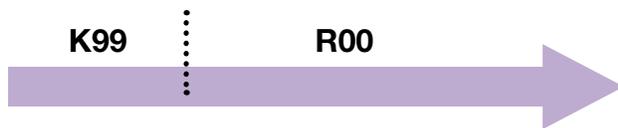
NIH Pathway to Independence Award (Parent K99/R00) PA-11-197

- ◆ Open to all doctoral degree holders
- ◆ Less than 5 years of postdoctoral research at submission deadline
- ◆ 75% effort
- ◆ 2 years mentored training (K99)
- ◆ 3 years independent support (R00)
- ◆ US citizens/permanent residents and non-citizens are eligible to apply

NIDCR Dentist Scientist Pathway to Independence Award (K99/R00) PAR-12-283

- ◆ Eligibility limited to dual degree DDS/DMD-PhD dentist scientists
- ◆ Less than 5 years of postdoctoral research at submission deadline
- ◆ 75% effort
- ◆ 2 years mentored training (K99)
- ◆ 3-5 years independent support (R00)
- ◆ US citizens/permanent residents and non-citizens are eligible to apply

K99/R00 Award Timeline



1. Application proposes research and career development activities for both phase
2. K99 phase awarded
3. PI identifies a tenure track (or equivalent) position
4. R00 transition application submitted to NIDCR from new sponsoring institution-includes new budget
5. R00 phase awarded

K99/R00 Budget:

K99 phase:	Funds/Year
Salary	Up to \$75,000
Fringe	Institutional rate
Research	\$25,000
R00 phase:	
Total Costs (Direct and Indirect)	\$249,000

NIDCR RESEARCH TRAINING AND CAREER DEVELOPMENT FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Frequently Asked Questions K99/R00:

How is the 5 year postdoctoral research limit determined?

Eligibility is evaluated at each submission deadline. Eligibility of dual degree dentist scientists is determined from the date of the most recent doctoral degree. Time away from research is not counted. *Beginning in 2014, applicants must have less than 4 years of postdoctoral research experience.*

Do I need to identify my R00 phase institution in my K99/R00 application?

No, an applicant must include proposed research and career development plans for the R00 phase, but the sponsoring institution should not be identified in the initial application.

Can I have more than one mentor?

Yes, applicants are encouraged to assemble a team of mentors/advisors to provide comprehensive training. The role of each individual in the career development plans of the applicant should be clearly described.

When do I find out my status?

Applications are reviewed and scored three times a year. Awards are made throughout the year. In general it will take 9-12 months from submission to notice of award.

Can I activate the R00 phase early?

Early transition to the R00 phase is allowed on a case by case basis. For the Dentist Scientist K99/R00, early transition will be considered if the PI had 2 years of postdoctoral experience prior to the award.

How can a Dentist Scientist K99/R00 qualify for a 7 year project period?

An application must propose a program of part-time clinical specialty training to be completed during the R00 phase of the award. The applicant must justify why the specialty will enhance his/her academic research career. If the PI is subsequently hired by an institution that will provide this training, in-kind at no more than 25% effort, the R00 phase will be extended from 3 to 5 years. If this does not occur, the PI will receive a 3 year R00 phase.

What specialties will qualify for the NIDCR Dentist Scientist R00 phase extension?

Specialties recognized by the Council on Dental Education of the American Dental Association.

Do I need to request clinical specialty training for the Dentist Scientist K99/R00?

No, this is just an option. Dentist Scientists who do not require clinical specialty training are also strongly encouraged to apply. In these cases, a 3 year R00 project is appropriate.

NIH FAQs on K99/R00 Awards

http://grants.nih.gov/grants/new_investigators/QsandAs.htm#transition

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Resources

NIDCR Research Training and Career Development website: <http://www.nidcr.nih.gov/careersandtraining/>

NIH Pathway to Independence Award (Parent K99/R00): <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-11-197.html>

NIDCR Dentist Scientist Pathway to Independence Award (K99/R00):

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-12-283.html>

Upcoming changes to K99/R00 Award: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-13-034.html>



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