



# Pathway to Independence Awards



The National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research (NIDCR) is committed to cultivating a robust, highly skilled, and diverse biomedical, behavioral, and clinical research workforce dedicated to solving problems in dental, oral, and craniofacial health. The NIDCR supports research training and career development programs for individuals across multiple career stages, including high school, undergraduate, graduate, postdoctoral, and junior to senior faculty levels.

## NIDCR Participates in Three Pathway to Independence Award Programs

### NIH Pathway to Independence Award (Parent K99/R00)

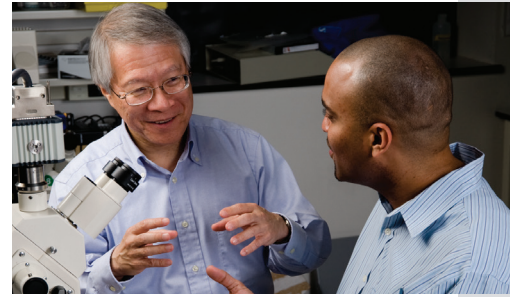
- Open to all doctoral degree holders
- Less than 4 years of postdoctoral research at submission and resubmission deadline
- 75% research effort
- 2 years of mentored training (K99)
- 3 years of independent support (R00)
- U.S. citizens/permanent residents and non-citizens are eligible to apply

### NIDCR Dual Degree Dentist Scientist Pathway to Independence Award (K99/R00)

- Eligibility limited to dual-degree DDS/DMD-PhD dentist scientists
- Less than 4 years of postdoctoral research at submission and resubmission deadline
- 75% research effort
- 2 years of mentored training (K99)
- 3-5 years of independent support (R00)
- U.S. citizens/permanent residents and non-citizens are eligible to apply

## Maximizing Opportunities for Scientific and Academic Independent Careers (MOSAIC) Postdoctoral Career Transition Award to Promote Diversity (K99/R00)

- Eligibility limited to groups underrepresented in biomedical research
- Less than 4 years of postdoctoral research at submission and resubmission deadline
- Program includes interaction with mentoring network
- 75% research effort
- 2 years of mentored training (K99)
- 3 years of independent support (R00)
- U.S. citizens/permanent residents are eligible to apply



## Overview of K99/R00 Award Process

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

## Funding Opportunity Announcements

NIH Pathway to Independence Award (Parent K99/R00 Independent Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

NIH Pathway to Independence Award (Parent K99/R00 Independent Clinical Trial Required)

NIH Pathway to Independence Award (Parent K99/R00 Independent Basic Experimental Studies with Humans Required)

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Maximizing Opportunities for Scientific and Academic Independent Careers (MOSAIC) Postdoctoral Career Transition Award to Promote Diversity (K99/R00 - Independent Basic Experimental Studies with Humans Required (BESH))

Maximizing Opportunities for Scientific and Academic Independent Careers (MOSAIC) Postdoctoral Career Transition Award to Promote Diversity (K99/R00 Independent Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

**More information is available through the NIDCR web page:**

<https://www.nidcr.nih.gov/careers-training>

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