

**Proposal Writing Workshop  
in response to  
California Institute for Regenerative Medicine (CIRM)  
Bridges to Stem Cell Research Training Program**

**Humboldt State University, July 11, 2008  
California State University, Fullerton, July 17, 2008**

**Tentative Agenda**

- 08:00 – 8:45 a.m. Continental Breakfast and Registration
- 08:45 – 9:00 a.m. Welcome and Workshop Purposes  
*Facilitators:*  
*Beth Ambos, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Research Initiatives and Partnerships,  
CSU Chancellor's Office*  
*Susan Baxter, Executive Director, CSUPERB*  
*Celeste Carter, Foothill College*  
*Wendie Johnston, LA/Orange County Biotech Center at Pasadena City College*  
*Jeff Thompson, Associate Provost for Research, CSU San Bernardino & Chair,  
Stem Cell Task Force, CSUPERB*
- 09:00 – 09:15 a.m. Brief Introduction of Institutional Teams
- 09:15 – 10:00 a.m. Overview of CIRM Workforce Training RFA and Resource Packet  
*Susan Baxter, Executive Director, CSUPERB*  
*Wendie Johnston, Biotechnology Director, CCC*
- 10:00-10:15 a.m. Break
- 10:15-10:30 a.m. Introduction to the CIRM RFA Grant Proposal Template and suggestions for developing highly competitive institutional partnership proposals
- 10:30-11:50 a.m. Institutional Teams meet together  
(1) prepare grant proposal outlines  
(2) draft budgets
- 11:50 -12:50 p.m. Working Lunch (Lunch provided)  
Designing a Competitive Project: How To Leverage Internal and External Resources, Design an Appropriate Project Evaluation, and Sustain Your CIRM-Funded Program
- 12:50-1:15 p.m. Break
- 1:15 – 2:30 pm. Campus Teams Meet Together
- Additional Discussion of Proposal Elements and Budgets
  - Evaluation Plan Components and Potential Evaluators
  - Drafting the Proposal Documents
  - Building a Realistic Proposal Preparation Schedule
  - Proposal Team roles and responsibilities

2:30-3:30 p.m. Conversation with Michael Yaffe, Scientific Officer, CIRM

3:30-4:00 p.m. Workshop Wrap-Up and Next Steps