

Use this checklist to confirm your application meets all eligibility, content, and format requirements. Incomplete or non-compliant applications may be returned without review.

Eligibility Requirements

- ☐ Application includes at least 3 Mission MSA Centers of Excellence (COEs) from 3 different U.S. Census regions or international equivalents
- ☐ One COE designated as the Primary Institution
- ☐ Primary Institution employs the Principal Investigator (PI)
- ☐ Primary Institution will manage project coordination, reporting, and subawards
- ☐ All collaborators are from Mission MSA COEs (no non-COE participants)

Project Requirements

- ☐ Proposed project aligns with at least one Research Roadmap category (Biomarker Discovery, Care Interventions and Disease-Modifying Treatments, Symptom Management and Monitoring, or Natural History Studies)
- ☐ Project is feasible within a 2-year period
- ☐ Defined milestones and strategy to address multi-site startup barriers
- ☐ Includes plan for data harmonization and sharing

Application Components

- ☐ Project Abstract (≤ 300 words)
- ☐ Specific Aims and Hypotheses (≤ 500 words)
- ☐ Background, Rationale, and Innovation (≤ 750 words)
- ☐ Research Design and Methodology ($\leq 1,000$ words)
- ☐ Feasibility and IRB Readiness (≤ 750 words)
- ☐ Collaboration and Coordination Plan (≤ 500 words)
- ☐ Data Sharing Plan (≤ 500 words)
- ☐ Sustainability and Dissemination Plan (≤ 500 words)
- ☐ Budget Justification (≤ 500 words)

Collaboration and Logistics

- ☐ IRB Readiness Plan including timeline, sIRB/local IRB coordination, staffing, recruitment strategy, startup timeline, and contingency plan
- ☐ Subaward distribution plan included
- ☐ Letters of Commitment from each collaborating COE outlining roles, responsibilities, and resources

Budget Requirements

- ☐ Total request between \$50,000–\$100,000 over 2 years
- ☐ No indirect/overhead costs included
- ☐ PI salary $\leq 20\%$ annual effort, with justification
- ☐ Equipment $\geq \$5,000$ clearly justified (if included)
- ☐ Includes travel budget ($\leq \$2,000$ domestic, $\leq \$3,500$ international; max 2 attendees per conference)
- ☐ Subawards and costs to each COE clearly detailed

Sustainability & Dissemination

- ☐ Plan to share results with scientific community and MSA patient/caregiver community
- ☐ Sustainability plan for continued impact and collaboration beyond funding period

Reporting Commitment

- ☐ Milestone-based progress reports
- ☐ Final narrative and financial report within 60 days of project end



CURE-MSA Grant Program Applicant Checklist

Centers Unified in Research Efforts for MSA
Submission Deadline: September 19, 2025

Important Dates

RFP Release: July 15, 2025

Full Applications Due: September 19, 2025

Award Notification: December 1, 2025

Grant Start: January 15, 2026

Final Report Due: February 28, 2028

Questions?

Contact: Jessie Iregui

Email: jessie.iregui@missionmsa.org