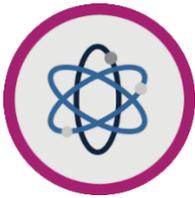


## Merit Review Panel Application

The Advancing a Healthier Wisconsin Endowment (AHW) is seeking Wisconsin-based individuals with a broad range of expertise to serve as merit reviewers for a variety of funding pathways. Desired expertise includes health and science researchers, health care providers, and community and public health practitioners. Merit review panel applications should be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on October 16, 2020.

### Reviewers Sought

Merit reviewer expertise is sought for the following AHW pathways:



#### *Basic, Clinical, and Translational Research Pathway*

This pathway advances efforts of those working in basic, clinical, and translational research to achieve greater understanding of, and increased capacity to address, the biological and genetic determinants that impact health of individuals and populations across the state, resulting in greater knowledge to advance health. This pathway supports partners to:

**Program Manager:**  
Kristen Gardner-Volle  
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- Increase the development of innovative research and discovery,
- Escalate the translation and dissemination of new knowledge, and
- Develop effective and sustainable partnerships.

#### **Reviewer expertise sought:**

- MCW faculty
- Familiarity with Wisconsin health needs
- Experience with basic, clinical, population science, and/or translational research
- Expertise from a variety of disciplines is sought, but is especially needed in the areas of heart health, brain health, and cancer
- Experience with research collaborations, team science, and/or academic/industry partnerships

[View the 2021 Basic, Clinical, and Translational Science Pathway Request for Applications](#)



#### *Education and Workforce Development Pathway*

This pathway supports efforts that develop and grow Wisconsin's current and future health research, health care, and community health improvement workforce to meet the diverse and evolving health needs of Wisconsin residents now and in the future through a workforce that is increasingly more:

**Program Manager:**  
Tracy Wilson  
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- Accessible by being in the right place at the right time,
- Equipped with the right skills, knowledge, technology, data, networks and resources, and
- Representative of the diversity of the community being served

#### **Reviewer expertise sought:**

- Community leaders and MCW faculty and staff
- Familiarity with Wisconsin health needs

- Familiarity with health workforce data, trends, gaps, and opportunities across health fields, including but not limited to health care practitioners, public and community health professionals, health researchers, and lay health navigators and advocates, among others
- Understanding of best practices in pipeline programs, adult education and continuing education
- Knowledge of health equity as it relates to Wisconsin's health workforce and Wisconsin's health

[View the 2021 Education and Workforce Development Pathway Request for Applications](#)

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### *Population and Community Health Studies Pathway*

This pathway aims to improve the health of the people of Wisconsin by informing policy and practice (or addressing evidence gaps for policy and practice) that make a difference to health outcomes, particularly where differences in health status are inequitable.

**Program Manager:**

Tim Meister

[tmeister@mcw.edu](mailto:tmeister@mcw.edu)

**Reviewer expertise sought:**

- Community leaders and MCW faculty and staff
- Familiarity with Wisconsin health needs
- Familiarity with population health research - data, trends, gaps, and opportunities
- Understanding of community engagement – working with community partners to address population health needs (may include community-based organizations, government, health care providers, public and community health practitioners, and lay health navigators and advocates, among others)
- Understanding of community health promotion – including promotion of evidence-based practices, policy and system change work, or dissemination and replication

[View the 2021 Population and Community Health Pathway Request for Applications](#)

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### *Policy & Systems Changes Pathway*

This pathway supports efforts to weave good health for all into the fabric of communities by enabling partners to change the social, economic, health, and health care policies and systems that can create lasting, population-level health improvements across Wisconsin.

**Program Manager:**

Maureen Busalacchi

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**Reviewer expertise sought:**

- Community leaders and MCW faculty and staff
- Familiarity with Wisconsin health needs
- Experience working in policy and systems change strategies as well as demonstrated experience and/or expertise in one or more of AHW's health focus areas of heart health, healthy minds, and cancer
- Understand the difference between programming, interventions, quality improvement and systems change.

- Knowledge of health equity as it relates to Wisconsin’s health and how systems impact equity
- Community engagement – working with community partners to address population health needs (may include community-based organizations, government, health care providers, public and community health practitioners, and lay health navigators and advocates, among others)

[View the 2021 Policy, Systems & Culture Change Pathway Request for Applications](#)

## Review Timeline and Time Commitment

All funding opportunities follow a similar review timeline. Exact dates and timelines for review meetings are yet to be decided, and AHW staff will confirm your availability for specific review meetings as soon as possible as a condition of participation on the panel. If you are unavailable to participate in this year’s review cycle, AHW welcomes your reviewer application and will hold it for consideration in future review cycles.

Application Phase	Merit Reviewer Task	Timeline (subject to change)
LOI	Reviewer Orientation Meeting (Virtual)	Week of November 9, 2020
	Application Review (Online)	November 20 – December 11, 2020
	Review Meeting (Virtual)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• December 15, 2020 - Education and Workforce Development</li> <li>• December 16, 2020 - Policy and Systems Changes</li> <li>• December 17, 2020 - Population and Community Health Studies</li> <li>• January 5, 2021 - Basic, Clinical, and Translational Research</li> </ul>
Full Proposal	Application Review (Online)	March 19 – April 19, 2021
	Review Meeting (Virtual)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• April 27, 2021 - Education and Workforce Development</li> <li>• April 28, 2021 - Population and Community Health Studies</li> <li>• April 29, 2021 - Policy and Systems Changes</li> <li>• May 4, 2021 - Basic, Clinical, and Translational Research</li> </ul>

## Compensation

Reviewers from agencies and organizations external to the Medical College of Wisconsin will be paid \$400 for completion of Letter of Intent (LOI) review commitments and \$800 for Full Proposal review commitments. Employees of MCW or members of AHW’s governing bodies are not eligible for payment related to proposal review.

## Reviewer Application

To be considered for AHW’s review process, **please complete the online application form, including your resume/CV as a required attachment, by 5pm on October 16, 2020.** To access the online application form, please visit AHW’s website: [ahwendowment.org/2021Reviewers](http://ahwendowment.org/2021Reviewers).