

## **SISTER M. CANISIA GERLACH NURSING RESEARCH GRANT**

### **Proposal Guidelines:**

1. **Introduction (1-2 pages):** A brief introduction of the project followed by the purpose and/or specific aims and hypotheses (as appropriate). The project should clearly define the impact this study will have on evidence based nursing practice at OSF Saint Francis Medical Center, the role of the investigator in this study, and the study's time frame.
2. **Background and Significance of Proposed Study (1-2 pages):** Discuss the background of the problem to be investigated. Provide a discussion of the current problem and how this study proposes to extend and improve nursing knowledge.
3. **Methods (3-5 pages):** Describe the study design, proposed sample, including sample size, procedure, measurement methods, and anticipated analysis procedures. Include copies of instruments in the appendix (if appropriate).
4. **Dissemination (1 page):** Describe planned/anticipated dissemination activities.
5. **Itemized Budget and Explanation/Justification (1 page):** Include justification for personal, equipment, materials & supplies and other specific items (e.g., travel, cost related to knowledge dissemination.)
6. **Appendices:** Copy of study instruments and letter of consent for use, etc.

### **Grant Checklist:**

All submitted grant applications should contain the following:

- Sister M. Canisia Gerlach, O.S.F. Fund for Nursing Research Grant Application Form
- Typed Proposal
- Letter(s) of support from managers where proposed research will take place

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