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Hydrocephalus Association Offers Grants for Cerebrospinal Fluid Research

Request for Applications for Innovative Research Proposals

Bethesda, MD, December 7, 2012: The Hydrocephalus Association (HA), in partnership with the Rudi Schulte Research Institute (RSRI), announces a request for applications (RFA) for innovative research which will advance the understanding of cerebrospinal fluid (CSF) dynamics in the causes and treatments of hydrocephalus.

“This is an exciting time in hydrocephalus research and through this grant, HA and RSRI want to continue to support and encourage high quality and timely research in the field of hydrocephalus,” stated Ashly Westrick, Research Programs Manager. Researchers are encouraged to learn more about the RFA at our website, <http://www.hydroassoc.org>.

This grant will support 1 to 3 U.S.-based research projects of 1 to 3 years duration with a total pool of \$200,000 annually. Letters of intent are due January 4, 2012, and full applications must be completed by March 1, 2013. Funding is expected to begin in late 2013.

The Hydrocephalus Association is pleased to be partnering with the Rudi Schulte Research Institute in establishing this grant. Rudi Schulte was one of the two founders of a shunt manufacturing company called PS Medical, later acquired by Medtronic. Through his ground-breaking work, the hydrocephalus shunt was developed, the leading treatment for hydrocephalus. Later, in order to further advance research in the treatment of hydrocephalus, Mr. Schulte generously created and endowed The Rudi Schulte Research Institute. Today, RSRI conducts studies to improve treatments for hydrocephalus and other neurological disorders. The Hydrocephalus Association is proud to be working with RSRI to help further this important work.

About the Hydrocephalus Association

The Hydrocephalus Association (HA) is a charitable organization dedicated to eliminating the challenges of hydrocephalus by stimulating research and supporting people who are affected by this condition. Incorporated in 1986 as a San Francisco-based non-profit, HA is now the nation’s largest and most widely respected organization dedicated solely to serving those affected by hydrocephalus. HA has been instrumental in creating a community of individuals, families and health care professionals addressing the complexities of hydrocephalus in all age groups.

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