

Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation's Grand Challenges Explorations .

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The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation's Grand Challenges Explorations is a staged grant initiative where initial grants are for USD \$100,000 and successful projects are eligible to receive a follow-on grant of up to USD \$1million. Proposals are solicited twice a year for an expanding set of global health and development topics. Applications are only two pages, and no preliminary data is required. Applicants can be at any experience level; in any discipline; and from any organization, including colleges and universities, government laboratories, research institutions, non-profit organizations and for-profit companies.

Grand Challenges Explorations (GCE) has opened application Round 15, and proposals for the six topics listed below are being accepted online through May 13, 2015 .

1.Addressing Newborn and Infant Gut Health Through Bacteriophage-Mediated Microbiome Engineering

http://gcgh.grandchallenges.org/Explorations/Topics/Pages/NewBornAndInfantGutHealth_Round15.aspx

2. Explore New Ways to Measure Delivery and Use of Digital Financial Services Data

http://gcgh.grandchallenges.org/Explorations/Topics/Pages/DigitalFinancialServicesData_Round15.aspx

3. Surveillance Tools, Diagnostics and an Artificial Diet to Support New Approaches to Vector Control

http://gcgh.grandchallenges.org/Explorations/Topics/Pages/VectorControlSupport_Round15.aspx

4.New Approaches for Addressing Outdoor/Residual Malaria Transmission

http://gcgh.grandchallenges.org/Explorations/Topics/Pages/OutdoorMalariaTransmission_Round15.aspx

5. Reducing Pneumonia Fatalities Through Innovations that Improve Pneumonia Diagnosis & Referral of Malnourished Children

http://gcgh.grandchallenges.org/Explorations/Topics/Pages/ChildhoodPneumoniaTreatment_Round15.aspx

6. Enable Merchant Acceptance of Mobile Money Payments

http://gcgh.grandchallenges.org/Explorations/Topics/Pages/MobileMoneyPayments_Round15.aspx