The Center for Cancer Research (CCR), a Division of the National Cancer Institute (NCI), National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), is pleased to announce its annual call for applications for the Clinical Investigator Development Program (CIDP). This is an exciting training opportunity intended for physicians interested in dedicating their careers to clinical research. Come join a vibrant, multidisciplinary research community featuring: flexible funding that supports innovative, high-impact bench-to-bedside research, access to the largest hospital in the world devoted exclusively to clinical research, extensive shared research resources, and availability of a broad range of scientific and clinical expertise. The CIDP assists board-eligible/board-certified translational researchers to transition from a mentored position to that of an independent investigator in laboratory-based or patient-oriented research in academia, or comparable positions in government and industry. Potential areas of interest include: medical oncology, pediatric hematology-oncology, radiation oncology, surgical oncology, pathology, neuro-oncology, urology and dermatology. Program objectives are to: develop competence and skills in study design, protocol development and patient-oriented research; acquire knowledge related to the ethical and regulatory issues of conducting clinical research involving human subjects; gain direct experience with the collection and management of research data; and learn about function, development, organization and leadership of a multidisciplinary clinical research team.

Who We Are
The CCR is nationally recognized as a premier training organization for clinical research, which is conducted in the state-of-the-art NIH Clinical Research Center in Bethesda, MD. Successful applicants will join a cadre of 250 talented independent investigators conducting research on the campuses of the NCI in Bethesda and Frederick, Maryland.

About the Program
Selectees will be appointed as “Assistant Clinical Investigators” for a three-year period at a competitive salary commensurate with subspecialty training and experience. They will be assigned dedicated space, provided with an independent budget including travel and training funds, and given access to an extensive infrastructure including research nursing, data-management support, animal facilities, core services and advanced technologies such as imaging/microscopy, protein chemistry and purification, mass spectrometry, flow cytometry, genomics and transgenic and knockout mice. An attractive Federal government employee benefits package includes health and life insurance coverage, a retirement savings program and relocation expenses. Student loan repayment is possible through the NIH. Program participants must: successfully complete course work including Principles and Practice of Clinical Research, Clinical Pharmacology, and Ethical and Regulatory Aspects of Clinical Research; develop a research proposal within the first six months in collaboration with a mentor; and apply for an NIH Career Development Award (K mechanism) by the end of the second year. Research progress will reviewed annually.

Eligibility
Candidates may be U.S. citizens, permanent residents or possess (or be eligible for) the appropriate work visa and must have successfully completed subspecialty training at a U.S.-accredited institution in an appropriate field.

How to Apply
Applicants should initially submit a current curriculum vitae, complete bibliography, three letters of recommendation, academic transcripts, U.S. citizen/permanent residency documentation or documentation of visa eligibility, evidence of board certification or board eligibility and a description of research interests and goals and as they relate to the chosen field. Apply online at http://irp-positions.nih.gov/apply/. Applications must be submitted on or before 11:59 p.m. EST, September 30, 2015. Paper applications will not be accepted. Questions may be directed to: ApplyCIDP@mail.nih.gov.