CIRA AFFILIATION FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs)

There are two types of CIRA affiliation: Individual and Project. Individuals whose work is relevant to CIRA’s mission, and HIV research projects with scientific focus relevant to CIRA’s mission are eligible for affiliation.

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE AFFILIATED WITH CIRA?

• **Individual Affiliates** have access to a variety of CIRA services, including peer review of HIV-related manuscripts and grant applications, research methods consultations, linkages with community partners (e.g., community organizations, healthcare providers, other key stakeholders), assistance with dissemination of research findings, seminars and workshops, and more.

• **Individual Affiliates** must be willing to serve periodically as peer reviewers for manuscripts, grant proposals, or CIRA pilot applications, and to participate in other CIRA-related activities as appropriate.

• **Individual Affiliates** will be asked to indicate a CIRA Core that best aligns with their research areas and interests and participate in Core activities as appropriate. The three CIRA research Cores are the Clinical and Health Services Research (CHSR) Core, Dissemination Implementation Science and Methods (DISM) Core, and Justice, Community Capacity, and Equity (JuCCE) Core.

• **Principal Investigators (PIs) of Affiliated Projects** will be responsible for providing updates when requested for the preparation of CIRA’s annual reports to the National Institute of Mental Health.

• In support of CIRA’s dissemination initiatives, PIs must be willing to have their Affiliated Projects listed on the CIRA website and in publicity that the Center puts out.
  - Citation of CIRA grant (i.e., P30MH062294) in publications or presentations resulting from a CIRA pilot project, REIDS pilot project, and Ending the HIV Epidemic (EHE) supplement award is required.
  - Citation of CIRA grant in publications or presentations resulting from an Affiliated Project is encouraged.
  - Use of the CIRA logo and/or template in slide presentations of affiliated projects is encouraged.

HOW CAN I OR MY RESEARCH PROJECT BECOME AFFILIATED WITH CIRA?

• **Individuals** should submit a brief letter describing their interest to affiliate and research areas, along with a biosketch/CV to erin.nicholson@yale.edu. Applicants may be invited to meet to discuss the benefits and responsibilities of affiliation.

• Fellows in CIRA-affiliated training programs (i.e., Yale AIDS Prevention Training Program/Y-APT and Research Education Institute for Diverse Scholars/REIDS) are automatically affiliated.

• PIs affiliated with CIRA may submit a request to affiliate their HIV-related research projects or grants.

• **Pilot projects funded by CIRA** (i.e., CIRA pilot project, REIDS pilot project, and EHE supplement award) are automatically affiliated.

• Requests for individual and project affiliation will be presented to CIRA leadership for review and approval.

• For questions and further information, please contact Erin Nicholson (erin.nicholson@yale.edu).