



THE THOMAS B. McCABE and JEANNETTE E. LAWS McCABE FUND

To: Department Chairs

From: Clyde F. Barker, M.D., Department of Surgery
Chair, McCabe Fund Advisory Committee

Date: February 3, 2025

Subject: **THOMAS B. McCABE and JEANNETTE E. LAWS McCABE FUND
FELLOW AND PILOT AWARD APPLICATIONS 2025-2026**

Attached are the application materials for the annual McCabe Fund Awards. Please distribute these throughout your department to junior faculty who qualify. Distribute to division chiefs as applicable.

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

The Thomas B. McCabe and Jeannette E. Laws McCabe Fund was established in 1969 by a generous gift from Mr. and Mrs. Thomas B. McCabe to the School of Medicine. The McCabe Fund Advisory Committee, which oversees the award process, welcomes junior faculty (Assistant Professors) and those newly recruited to submit proposals that are innovative biomedical and surgical research that bridge the clinical and basic sciences. **This opportunity is open to clinical (CE and AC) track junior faculty who have received no or limited extramural research funding. Tenure and research track faculty are not eligible to apply.** The McCabe Award process is based in the Department of Surgery in coordination with the Perelman School of Medicine Dean's Office and the University investment office.

FELLOW AWARD APPLICATION

In 1988 the McCabe Fellow Award was created to recognize especially meritorious proposals. Submit your department's best application (one per department) for this larger award (about \$50,000). In addition to the Fellow Award application, your department may submit four applications for Pilot Awards (about \$20,000). Alternatively, you may elect to submit only Pilot Awards (up to five). The McCabe Advisory Committee at its annual meeting in June will select the best applications for the Fellow Award. The Fellow is a one-time, non-renewable award. Remaining Fellow applicants will automatically become part of the Pilot Award application pool.

PILOT AWARD APPLICATIONS

The Pilot Award typically ranges from \$20,000 to \$30,000 (interest earned by the endowment and the number of worthy grants submitted ultimately determine the amount). It is a one-time, non-renewable, non-transferable award. Forward as many Pilot Award applications as you or your faculty committee consider competitive **but no more than a total of five applications per department including the Fellow application as described above.**

SUBMISSION DEADLINE:
FRIDAY, MAY 9, 2025

Please refer to the attached enclosures. A maximum of five applications per department (one Fellow and four Pilot Awards, or five Pilot Awards) are allowed. Please submit applications via email to:

The McCabe Fund Advisory Committee
c/o Kaitlyn Hagarty
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ENCLOSURES:

Guidelines
Application Instructions
Combined Application for Fellow or Pilot Award
2024-2025 Awardees