



Academy of  
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## The ABMR 2024 Early-Stage Investigator Program

provides leadership training, mentorship, and networking opportunities to promising behavioral medicine researchers. It is designed to build an active, engaged support network of near peers. Scholars who are underrepresented in the scientific workforce as [defined by the NIH](#) are particularly encouraged to apply.

### ESI Program Activities include:

- A pre-conference leadership training program, led by Dr. Norman Anderson, to identify short- and long-term career goals and teach leadership qualities relevant to an academic career.
- Interactive sessions on networking and professional development, co-led by Drs. Jeannette Ickovics and Tracey Revenson.
- Short presentations at the conference for ESIs to introduce themselves and their research to membership.
- Networking opportunities with ABMR Fellows.
- One-on-one mentoring with an ABMR member.
- Opportunities to meet with NIH program officials

### Eligibility

Individuals must be within 10 years of their terminal degree and the Principal Investigator of a current mentored career development award (e.g. NIH-funded K-series award or equivalent; KL2 award from CTSA; etc.), or PI of a first R-series award or equivalent independent research award from NIH or other funding agency (e.g., NSF; DOD; etc.).

### Application Requirements:

1. Cover letter (1-page maximum) written by candidate expressing their current interest in behavioral medicine research and highlighting their research program contributions to date.
2. Letter of support from a senior faculty colleague – **ABMR membership is not required.**
3. Candidate's up-to-date CV.

### Applications will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

1. Interest in/contributions to behavioral medicine research to-date
2. Program of research aligned with the annual meeting theme(s)
3. Potential for innovation/impact and/or leadership in behavioral medicine research
4. Extent to which the candidate and their research contributes to ABMR's mission to promote diversity and representation

**Submit applications by December 1, 2023**



See more information and to submit on our website: [www.academyofbmr.org/esi-program](http://www.academyofbmr.org/esi-program)  
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