



FARE Clinical Network Membership Application FCN 3.0

About FARE

FARE is the largest private funder of food allergy research, promoting the development of new therapies and offering hope for effective treatments. FARE's mission is to improve the quality of life and health of those with food allergies through transformative research, education, and advocacy.

FCN History

Thanks to the generosity of the Crown Family and others, the FARE Clinical Network (FCN) launched as a nationwide coalition of 22 food allergy centers in 2015 to accelerate the discovery of new food allergy therapies and to make cutting-edge care and clinical research accessible to more food allergy patients. In its first four years, the Network grew to include 33 centers of excellence hosting more than 44 clinical trials in food allergy, including studies that led to the first food allergy treatment approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. FARE Clinical Network centers have also identified and communicated best practices in patient care, educated patients and the broader community, and trained physicians and other health care providers to make exceptional care more widely available. In May of 2020, the FARE Clinical Network re-established itself and grew to include 50 participating institutions located in 23 states and the District of Columbia.

During the first two iterations of the FCN, FARE invested more than \$14.6M to provide clinics support to develop food allergy expertise and infrastructure. The FCN will now transition to a [community of practice](#) (CoP), a group that shares a common concern, a set of problems, or an interest in a topic and that come together to fulfill both individual and group goals. There will be a focus on sharing best practices and creating new knowledge to advance food allergy. The CoP or FCN 3.0 will primarily be self-led by selected members with administrative support from FARE staff. Members of FCN 3.0 will not receive direct funding but will be afforded many opportunities as described below.

Purpose

The FARE Clinical Network (FCN) is a collaborative community of clinical centers committed to excellence in food allergy care. In this next phase, the network will prioritize connection, collaboration, and shared learning—without providing direct funding for membership. However, network members will be compensated for travel to FCN meetings, and all sites will be eligible to participate in FARE-funded initiatives or research projects as they arise. FARE will support the network through centralized infrastructure such as communications tools and a dedicated website. Member sites will engage in joint initiatives, exchange resources and expertise, and contribute to the advancement and dissemination of best practices. The FCN offers an enduring platform for clinicians and researchers to collaborate across institutions, enhancing the quality and accessibility of care for individuals with food allergies. Additionally, the network may present opportunities for members to participate in multi-site clinical trials.

As part of the submission process, applicants are strongly encouraged (but not required) to propose a project that can be implemented with modest investment and aligned with FARE's mission to improve the quality of life and health of those with food allergy through transformative research, education, and advocacy.

Examples may include:

- A survey study to understand variation in immunotherapy practices
- Analysis and publication of data from [FARE's Patient Registry](#) which contains patient reported outcomes data on more than 14,000 participants
- Development and validation of a widely generalizable quality of life assessment tool that can be incorporated into clinical trials as a surrogate endpoint

Eligibility

The network will be comprised of approximately 50 diverse healthcare institutions across the U.S., from large academic health centers to local community clinics. Participating sites shall adhere to clinical practice guidelines, provide outstanding care for food allergy patients, and designate a principal investigator or primary point of contact who is a board-certified in allergy and immunology. Faculty at higher education institutions from complimentary disciplines (e.g., informatics, oncology, rheumatology) that could advance the field food allergy are also encouraged to apply.

Expectations

- Actively participate in defining and evolving the FCN's vision, goals, and strategies
- Appoint a designee to one or more sub-committee that may be formed
- Attend quarterly meetings and other FARE-sponsored events (e.g., Clinical Development Day, Innovation Summits)
- Willingness to share resources, protocols and other resources for mutual learning purposes
- Complete a brief annual assessment, results of which will be aggregated and shared across the network to inform ongoing collaboration and improvement with aggregated results shared across the network to inform ongoing collaboration and improvement.
- Strive to produce one collaborative peer-reviewed manuscript annually

Member Benefits

- Stipends to participate in FARE conferences or educational opportunities
- Advanced notice of and eligibility to apply for FARE research funding opportunities
- Exclusive eligibility for faculty or equivalent to apply for career development awards
- Visibility and marketing of your practice through FARE channels
- Access to professional development opportunities and leading-edge information from peer organizations
- Enhanced opportunities to access FARE's research infrastructure (e.g., biospecimen samples within the Biobank and Biomarker Discovery Center and data from the FARE Patient Registry and Data Commons)
- Insight into FARE's research, education, advocacy and health equity initiatives, including complementary access to [Food Allergy Academy](#) for junior faculty or equivalent
- Eligibility to become a designated [FARE Neighborhoods](#) site
- Opportunities for networking, leadership and publication

Key Dates

Request for Applications Released	September 2, 2025
Submission Deadline	November 5, 2025
Application Review	November – January 2026
Membership Notification	February 2026

Application Procedure

Applications shall be submitted via FARE's online grant submission system, FLUXX. To apply visit https://foodallergy.fluxx.io/user_sessions/new and click on "Create New User" (or log in if you already have an account).

Selection Process

Members will be selected not only on the qualifications of the principal investigator but the institution's operational capacity to rapidly contribute to research. Additionally, prior FCN members will be evaluated on prior performance and contributions to the network.

Questions?

Please email grants@foodallergy.org with questions.

Application Fields
(to be completed and submitted via FLUXX, FARE's electronic grant management system)

CONTACT INFORMATION (for all application sites)

Principal Investigator or Primary Site Contact: name, credentials, organization, position/title, email address, phone, etc.

- Upload biosketch
- Upload headshot
- Secondary clinician/scientist contact(s) information (optional)

Administrative Contact: name, title, email address, phone

Website:

Which of the following best describes your site?

- a. Academic Medical Center
- b. Multispecialty Group Practice
- c. Private Practice
- d. Other (specify)

PRACTICE CHARACTERISTICS (for food allergy practice sites)

- 1. How many board-certified allergists are within your practice?**
- 2. Does your practice have a dedicated dietician on staff?**
 - a. Yes
 - b. No
- 3. Does your practice have a dedicated psychologist on staff?**
 - a. Yes
 - b. No
- 4. Which of the following procedures is your site capable of performing either for clinical or research purposes? Select all that apply.**
 - a. Skin Prick Testing
 - b. Serum IgE
 - c. Oral Food Challenge
 - d. Basophil Activation Test
 - e. Mast Cell Activation Test
 - f. Other (specify)
- 5. How many oral food challenges does your practice perform in an average month? [Show if OFC is selected above].**
 - a. 1-10
 - b. 11-20
 - c. 21-30
 - d. More than 30
- 6. Does your site offer food allergy immunotherapy? Select all that apply.**
 - a. Oral immunotherapy
 - b. Sublingual immunotherapy
 - c. Other (specify)?

7. If yes, how many patients, on average, begin oral immunotherapy in a given month at your practice?
- 1-2
 - 3-5
 - 6-10
 - >10
8. If yes, how many patients, on average, begin sublingual immunotherapy in a given month at your practice?
- 1-2
 - 3-5
 - 6—10
 - >10
9. If yes, to what allergens does your practice offer immunotherapy? Select all that apply.
- Peanut
 - Cow's Milk
 - Hen's Eggs
 - Tree Nuts
 - Fish
 - Shellfish
 - Wheat
 - Soy
 - Sesame
 - Other (specify)
10. Approximately how many patients within your practice are receiving omalizumab for food allergy?
- 0
 - <10
 - 10-20
 - 21-40
 - 41-60
 - 61-80
 - 81-100
 - More than 100
11. Which EHR platform does your practice use?
- Epic
 - Cerner
 - Other (specify)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE (for all sites)

1. Does your practice engage in food allergy research?
- Yes
 - No
 - Other (please describe)
2. If yes, please describe the characteristics of the research your site has performed. Select all that apply.
- Investigator-initiated research
 - Industry-sponsored research
 - Phase 1 clinical trials
 - Phase 2 clinical trials

- e. Phase 3 clinical trials
- f. Phase 4 clinical trials
- g. Prospective observational research
- h. Retrospective chart-review

3. On average, how long does your site require to execute a clinical trial agreement?

- a. 1 month
- b. 2-4 months
- c. 5-10 months
- d. >10 months

4. Is your site permitted to use a central IRB?

- a. Yes
- b. No

5. Does your site have an electronic clinical trials management system?

- a. Yes
- b. No

6. Which research areas are of interest to your site?

- a. Allergen-specific immunotherapy (OIT, SLIT, SCIT)
- b. Biomarkers and diagnostics
- c. EoE and FPIES
- d. Epidemiology
- e. Gut and skin microbiome and barrier integrity
- f. Healthcare disparities
- g. Immune modulatory drugs
- h. Psychosocial implications
- i. Other (specify)
- j. Not applicable

7. Does your site have any active federal grants for investigator-initiated food allergy research? If yes, please provide the grand IDs. If your site does not engage in food allergy research, please list relevant grants that may be of interest to FARE.

8. Is your site interested in receiving clinical trial opportunities through FARE? Note: If yes, please include a Letter of Support indicating that contracts can be executed within 30 days.

PATIENT POPULATION (for food allergy practice sites)

1. Approximately how many unique food allergy patients does your site provide care to in an average year?

2. Approximately how many patient encounters does your site have in an average year?

3. Please estimate the age of the patient population served by your site. Total must equal 100%.

- Infants (0-1 year): %
- Toddler (1-3 years): %
- Young Children (4-11 years): %
- Adolescents (12-17 years): %
- Adults (18+ years): %

- 4. Please provide a short description of the patient population who receive care at your practice.**
Describe the demographics including race, gender, ethnicity, socio-economic status, level of education, and other relevant information you collect. (Limit 500 words)
- 5. What payment methods does your site accept? Select all that apply.**
- a. Private Insurance
 - b. Public Insurance (Medicare, Medicaid)
 - c. Out-of-pocket
 - d. Other (specify)

MISSION ALIGNMENT (for all sites)

- 1. Which of the following area(s) is/are your site most interested in partnering with FARE? Select all that apply.**
- a. Research
 - b. Education
 - c. Advocacy
 - d. Other
- 2. In which ways might FARE best interact with you and your site? Select all that apply.**
- a. Quarterly virtual meetings
 - b. Face-to-face meetings with sponsored travel expenses
 - c. Face-to-face meetings in conjunction with other professional meetings (e.g., AAAAI, College)
 - d. Message boards or other technology-based means for cross-institutional communication
 - e. Other (specify)
- 3. Please describe your site's involvement with advocacy and community education activities.**
- 4. Please briefly describe in 500 words or less how your site is uniquely positioned to contribute to the FCN?**

LETTERS OF SUPPORT (for all sites)

Please provide letters of support from your dean's office, contracting office, and/or IRB that speak to your organization's commitment and ability to quickly implement research and consider a master service agreement with FARE.

FARE-SPONSORED PROJECT PROPOSAL (optional)

FARE is interested in advancing its mission through collaborative endeavors. Please provide a brief narrative description of a food allergy project suitable for implementation through the FCN. The proposed projects will be subject to review by all FCN members and chosen based on sub-committee assessment and budget considerations.

Limit the proposal to no more than 1500 words and consider following the outline below:

- 1. Background
- 2. Specific Aims/Hypothesis
- 3. Rationale for Study
- 4. Approach/Design
- 5. Total Estimated Cost