

BASTYR UNIVERSITY

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Daniel Seitz, JD, EdD, Executive Director
Council on Naturopathic Medical Education
PO Box 178
Great Barrington, MA 01230

Dear Executive Director Seitz,

I am happy to submit information from Bastyr University regarding the federal links related to CNME accreditation.

ACADEMIC RESEARCH ENHANCEMENT AWARD (AREA)

- Dr. Jing Meng applied for a NIH R15 AREA grant PA-16-200 on February 17, 2017, related specifically to her work with students from our School of Naturopathic Medicine. It was not awarded.

RESEARCH ENHANCEMENT AWARD PROGRAM (REAP)

- The director of the Bastyr University Research Institute will work with myself to submit an application for this award in 2020. We feel we have a good chance of being granted this award.

EXTRAMURAL LOAN REPAYMENT PROGRAM (LRP)

- Dr Laurie Mischley, ND, MPH, PhD, Associate Clinical Investigator, has participated in the NIH LRP Loan Repayment Program through 2016.
- Dr. Traci Pantuso, ND, MS, will be applying to this program in 2020.
- In 2019, Bastyr conducted an anonymous survey of alumni in which we asked if they were participating in any loan repayment programs. Of those that responded "yes," two Bastyr ND alumni indicated that they are currently participating in the NIH LRP.

I hope this information is useful. Please feel free to contact me if you need further information or clarification.

Sincerely,



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