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Dear Faculty and Staff:

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, we are pleased to announce the 2007-2008 grants program of the Foundation of UMDNJ (Foundation). Applications are invited in the categories of Research and Educational Enrichment-Educational Technology. Proposals should further both the University's strategic intent and goals and those of each School. Application forms are available from your respective Associate Dean for Research.

The Foundation's Board values this program as an essential component of UMDNJ's mission. The Foundation is delighted to not only continue this program, but increase significantly its support. The total program will be the largest ever!

In order to further enhance this program and provide an incentive for growth of programs, funds for these programs will be awarded on a match basis. That means the Foundation will provide 50% of the total grants and the investigator will be required to procure the other 50% from other sources. (See Schedule A for total program grant.) The procedure is detailed in the Policies and Procedure, **II B(1)**.

Resources of the Foundation of UMDNJ are intended and used to complement, not replace, either the State's obligation to provide basic budgetary support for the development and operation of the University or already allocated funds. Other sources of funding which have been sought and received should be reflected in all applications.

We suggest that applicants confer with their Associate Dean for Research or Vice President or the Academic Information Technology Advisory Committee (AcITAC-for Educational Technology projects) before writing a proposal. The Foundation would like selected grant applications **no later than** May 31, 2007. **Please keep this deadline in mind when you plan for your respective committees to meet.**

All grant applications are first reviewed by the Associate Dean for Research and that School's Grant Review Committee, or the President/CEO of the patient care unit or the Vice President of the administrative unit, or AcITAC (in the case of Educational Technology proposals). Research grants will be awarded through an internal process under the direction of the respective Deans. Grant applications in categories other than Research are reviewed by a University internal review committee. The Foundation's Program Committee will make final funding decisions. Awards will be announced **after the Committee has met**. **Please note: All grant recipients will be required to forward a brief summary updating the Committee on the success and/or failure of their project. This narrative will be due April 2008.**

Sincerely,

Sandra Brown Sherman, Esq., Chair
Program Committee

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Vice Chairman and CEO

Enclosures