

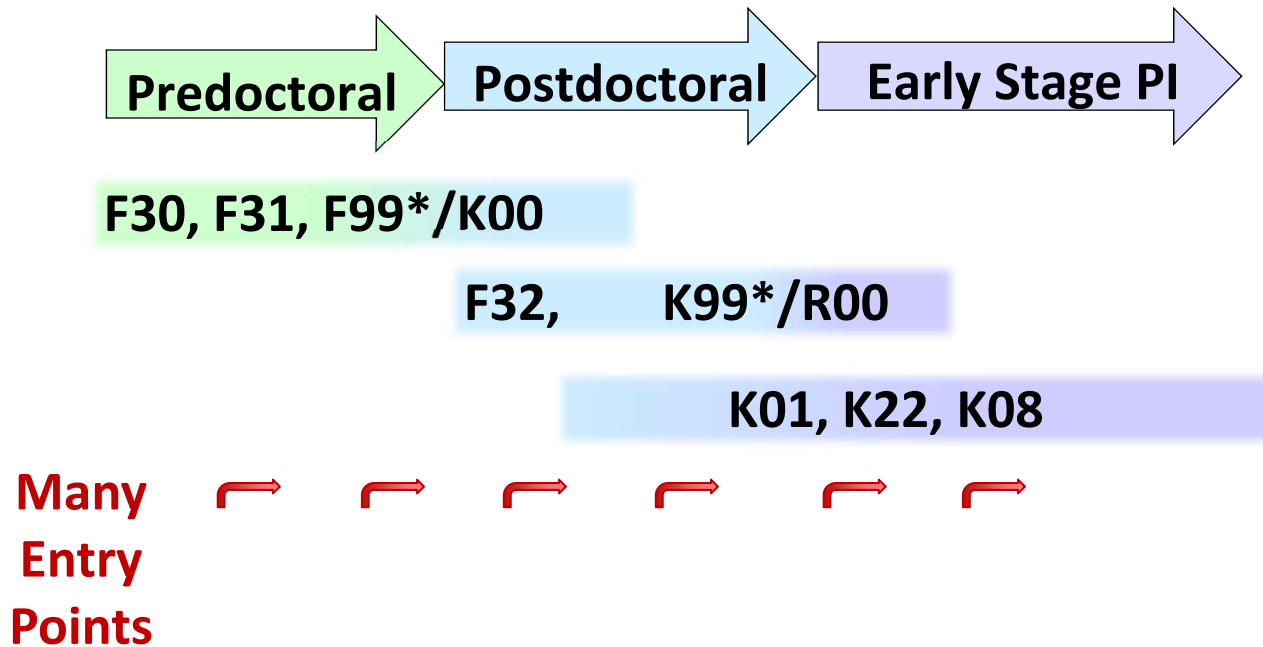
## **Myth Buster #3:**

Once the Cancer Prevention, Control, Behavioral Sciences, and Population Sciences Career Development Award (K07) Expires, There is no Other Training Mechanism for BSS Researchers

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# NCI Funding for Trainees at Every Stage



\*Open to Applicants with U.S. Visas

## K Award eligibility requirements

- Research or health professional doctorate degree
- U.S. citizenship or permanent residency
  - Except K99/R00
- Identification of a mentor/mentoring team
  - Except K22 programs
- K award-specific eligibility limitations (years of postdoctoral research experience, funding history/ previous NIH awards, clinical degree, clinical license, clinical duties, etc.)

## K Awards provide:

- “Protected time” for research and research training for 3-5 years
  - Salary + fringe benefits
    - Minimum of 75% effort required
- Funds for research development support
  - Tuition & fees
  - Travel to scientific meetings, workshops, field sites
  - Research expenses, including technical personnel
  - Statistical services, computer time, etc.

## Mentored K Awards

**K08** Mentored Clinical Scientist Research Career Development Award  
(**K23** Mentored Patient-Oriented Research Career Development Award)

NCI-specific mentored K awards:

- **K08** NCI Mentored Clinical Scientist Research Career Development Award to Promote Diversity
- **K01** NCI Mentored Research Scientist Development Award to Promote Diversity

## Transition K Awards: K99/R00

### **K99/R00** NIH Pathway to Independence Award

- Open to applicants with U.S. visas
- Eligibility limited to  $\leq 4$  years postdoctoral research experience
- Dual-phase funding:
  - K99 (mentored K) phase = 1-2 Years
    - Awardee secures a tenure-track assistant professor position (or equivalent)
  - R00 (independent) phase = \$249K/year for 3 years

# Transition K Awards: K22

## K22 NCI Transition K Award

## K22 NCI Transition K Award to Promote Diversity

- No mentor
- Candidate must be in non-independent position; ready to be independent
- If selected for funding, the awardee has 12 months to secure a tenure-track assistant professor position (or equivalent)
- *Then* awarded independent research support for 3 years
- Awardee must apply for R01 funding by the end of Year 2 of the K22

## Contact the Program Director—early!

Contact the Program Director to confirm your eligibility

- Send email with CV and proposed specific aims

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[www.cancer.gov/grants-training/training/funding](http://www.cancer.gov/grants-training/training/funding)

NCI Center to Reduce Health Disparities, NCI Diversity Training Branch

[www.cancer.gov/about-nci/organization/crchd/diversity-training](http://www.cancer.gov/about-nci/organization/crchd/diversity-training)



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