

How to Apply



Thanks for stopping by!

Below is a preview of our application alongside some tips and notes.

If you're new to Ideawake, you'll need to create an account before you start your application. We recommend using Google Chrome as your web browser.

Team Lead Organization

Team Lead Organization Website *

Team Lead Organization City *

Team Lead Organization State or US Territory *

Team Lead Name *

Team Lead Job Title *

Team Lead Email *

Team Lead Organization Sector *

Select all that apply.

Please share the names, roles, organizations, and email addresses of all other team members. **

There's a limit of 5 members per team, including the team lead.

◆ First, provide information about your “team lead.” They will be the point of contact for your team’s application.

◆ Tell us about the other members of your team.

Part 1: Questions About Your Proposal

Please answer questions listed below.

1. What is the specific problem or gap your team is hoping to focus on during the 8-month youthink process? Why? *

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1a. Please summarize your previous answer into a one-sentence problem statement. *

1b. Part of youthink will be identifying community-driven solutions to address this problem or gap. That said, do you already have preliminary ideas of what may help? *

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2. Who is affected by your chosen problem or gap and what is your experience working with them? *

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2a. Please select if your application is focused on any of the following populations or topics: *

Select all that apply.

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3. What are your goals for participating in youthink? What excites you about joining our September 2025 cohort? *

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Use questions 1-3 to tell us about your proposal: Why are you interested in joining *youthink*? What are you hoping to innovate around?

4. Please tell us about your team members, including any unique talents, skills, experiences, and identities. *

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4a. Please share your team's superpower or greatest strength in one phrase. *

4b. Please select all identities that apply to your team members: *

Select all that apply.

5. Does your team have prior experience working together? Why have you chosen to work together for youthink? *

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6. Which youthink Guiding Principle(s) resonate most with your team? Why? *

Guiding Principles: <https://www.youthink.health/about-us/>

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7. Have you or any of your team members participated in any innovation programs like youthink (e.g. incubators, accelerators)? *

No wrong answers!

8. Have you or any of your team members ever received funding from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Office of Population Affairs? *

No wrong answers!



Use questions 4-8 to tell us more information about your team.

Part 3: Agreements and Supporting Information

Please answer questions listed below.

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9. youthink requires weekly meetings, monthly trainings, 2 in-person events, and independent work time with your team. Can each team member dedicate about 20 hours per month on average to participate in youthink? *

Select an option for this field

10. Do you have your organization's support to participate in youthink?

Leadership approval is required for participation. *

Select an option for this field.

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11. Can the team lead's organization receive funds from youthink on behalf of your team? If not, do you have a fiscal sponsor who can? *

Select an option for this field.

12. Do you anticipate that your work in youthink will require Institutional Review Board (IRB) approval? *

Don't worry if you're not sure what this is!

Select an option for this field

12a. Please describe. *

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14. How did you hear about youthink? *

Select all that apply

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Attachments





Finally, provide some administrative details in questions 9-14.



Attachments are an optional space for any additional materials you'd like us to consider - Let your creativity shine!

For additional support, join us for our:

- **Informational Webinar:** April 1, 2025, noon - 1:00 p.m. PT ([Zoom Registration Link](#))
- **Application Office Hours:**
 - April 10, 2025, 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. PT ([Zoom Registration Link](#))
 - April 18, 2025, 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. PT ([Zoom Registration Link](#))
 - April 22, 2025, noon - 1:00 p.m. PT ([Zoom Registration Link](#))

Questions? Email us: youthink@chla.usc.edu