To be **primarily associated** with at most 1 FC:

1. Must directly relate to FC theme;
2. Should involve **multiple PIs or collaborators** on the UM Oxford and/or UMMC campuses;
3. Should involve **multiple disciplines** on the UM Oxford and/or UMMC campuses; and
4. Must **NOT** be marked as primarily associated with any other FC.

Primary Associations are exclusive relationships; however, an FC may also be marked as **related to one or more** of the other FCs.

To be **related** to one or more FCs:

1. Must directly relate to the FC theme (same as criterion #1 ←); but,
2. Does not meet all the other criteria (#2, #3, and #4 ←) for a primary association.

Possible Examples of Relatedness:

- FC thematic single investigator proposals.
- FC thematic proposals with multi-investigators in the same discipline.
- Multi-UM/UMMC PI, multi-UM/UMMC discipline proposals primarily associated with another FC.
- Proposals that rely on other institutions to achieve multidisciplinary collaborations.*

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**Notes:**

- *This Flowchart is intended as a guide to help pre-award specialists prompt, PIs mark, and constellation leaders confirm a proposal’s primary association with, or relation to, a constellation. Every proposal is unique, and the ultimate judgment about a proposal’s constellation status should be made by constellation leader(s), in consultation with the PI and ORSP, as needed.*