CHHS Funding Opportunity Announcements – June 10-14, 2013

The regular listing of Funding Opportunity Announcements for CHHS is prepared by review of the following sources of information:

- Consortium of Social Science Associations Funding News
- Daily SPIN report based on keywords provided by faculty members
- Dean Prohaska’s regular Community of Science report
- Duke University Office of Research Development
- Foundation Center
- Funding Supplement of the State Science & Technology Institute (SSTI)
- Fundsnetservices.com
- Georgia Regents Research Insider
- Grants.Gov
- listserv from NIH Office of Behavioral and Social Sciences Research
- New York University grant opportunity announcements
- Scangrants

Please recommend sources of funding announcements you have found useful.

US Dept HHS: Administration for Children and Families

Creating and managing Responsible Fatherhood Research Network [HHS-2013-ACF-OPRE-PR-0611]

Deadlines:  LOI by June 25, 2013; Proposal by August 2, 2013

ACF invites applications for the establishment of a Responsible Fatherhood Research Network, a multi-year plan to disseminate information about good fatherhood parenting practices by 1) Building research and practice knowledge and capacity; 2) Leading and supporting further development and evaluation of evidence- or theory-based interventions to increase positive father involvement in the lives of their children; and 3) Increasing collaboration, knowledge sharing and capacity building among investigators and practitioners. The Network will be expected to have a primary focus on economically disadvantaged fathers and families and other under studied population groups. The Network also will be expected to develop and disseminate research products and resources to facilitate knowledge sharing among multi-disciplinary researchers and among investigators, practitioners, program officials and policymakers. One award of $800,000/yr/5yrs.

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency: Office of Research and Development
Healthy Schools


Deadline: October 8, 2013

EPA is seeking applications proposing research that will inform school (K-12 educational facilities) building design, construction and operation practices in order to foster safe and healthy school environments and maximize student achievement and teacher and staff effectiveness. Specifically, the goal is to understand the relationship between environmental factors defined broadly and the health, safety and performance of students, teachers and staff. In addition to health-related concerns, the school environment may similarly impact the performance of students, teachers and staff, including lowering student achievement outcomes, and reducing teacher effectiveness. The results of this research will help ensure that the risks of environmentally-induced illness and injury to America’s students, teachers and other school staff are diminished or avoided and that students, teachers and staff are provided with optimal learning environments in their schools. $6M available for up to 6 four-year awards.


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American Educational Research Association

AERA Grants for Research Using Large-Scale Data Sets

Deadline: September 5, 2013

Provides small grants and training for researchers who conduct studies of education policy and practice using quantitative methods and including the analysis of data from the large-scale data sets sponsored by National Center for Education Statistics and NSF. Research grants are available for faculty at institutions of higher education, postdoctoral researchers, and other doctoral-level scholars. The Governing Board for the AERA Grants Program has established the following four strands of emphasis for proposals. Applicants are encouraged to submit proposals that 1) develop or benefit from new quantitative measures or methodological approaches for addressing education issues; 2) include interdisciplinary teams with subject matter expertise, especially when studying science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) learning; 3) analyze TIMSS, PISA, or other international data resources; and 4) include the integration and analysis of more than one data set. Applications are encouraged from a variety of disciplines, including but not limited to education, sociology, economics, psychology, demography, statistics, and psychometrics. Applicants may be U.S. citizens, U.S. permanent residents, or non-U.S. citizens and must be working at a U.S. institution. Approximately fifteen grants of up to $20,000 for one-year projects, or up to $35,000 for two-year projects, will be awarded.

http://www.aera.net/ProfessionalOpportunitiesFunding/FundingOpportunities/AERAGrants
US Dept HHS: Administration for Children & Families

Family Violence Prevention and Services Discretionary Grants: Culturally Specific Trauma Services for Families Impacted by Domestic Violence [HHS-2013-ACF-ACYF-EV-0635]

Deadline: Aug 12, 2013

ACF solicits applications for grants under the Family Violence Prevention and Services Discretionary Grants program to implement Culturally-Specific Trauma Services for Families Impacted by Domestic Violence. The intent of this program is to build and sustain organizational capacity in delivering trauma-informed, developmentally sensitive, culturally relevant services for children, individuals, and families affected by domestic violence, dating violence, family violence, and other traumas. This discretionary grant program will build and expand upon the progress of culturally-specific and community-based domestic violence programs in reducing the pervasive and harmful impact of violence and trauma by implementing culturally relevant trauma-informed, evidence-informed, or evidence-based interventions for individuals and families who are from diverse and historically marginalized communities. Four awards of $175-400,000/year/3yrs.


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Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

Public Health Law Research: Making the Case for Laws That Improve Health

Deadline: July 24, 2013

PHLR is a national program of the RWJF seeking studies that investigate specific mechanisms through which a new legal intervention or an existing law or enforcement strategy impacts physical or mental health. The program is particularly interested in proposals that use sophisticated research design and analysis of existing datasets that can provide insight on the effects of laws and legal practices over time and across jurisdictions. $1M available for grants of $150,000.

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

Public Health Services and Systems Research: Mentored Research Scientist Development

Deadline: August 21, 2013

Public Health Services and Systems Research (PHSSR) is a multidisciplinary field of study that examines the organization, financing, delivery and quality of public health services within communities and the resulting impact on population health. The National Coordinating Center (NCC) for PHSSR and the RWJF seek to expand the evidence base for effective decision-making in public health practice and policy through research that responds to the questions defined in the National Agenda for PHSSR: www.publichealthsystems.org/research-agenda.aspx. This solicitation is intended to strengthen the pool of researchers available to conduct PHSSR and to build on successful principles and models previously demonstrated in public health and health services research. The awards support mentored, intensive career development through funding, educational experiences and protected time to conduct independent research. $800,000 available for grants of up to $100,000/24 months.


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Commonwealth Fund (Australia)

2014-15 Australian-American Health Policy Fellowship

Deadline: September 5, 2013

The Commonwealth Fund is accepting applications for the Australian-American Health Policy Fellowship, previously known as the Packer Policy Fellowship. This program offers a unique opportunity for outstanding, mid-career U.S. professionals—academics, government officials, clinical leaders, decision makers in managed care and other private health care organizations, and journalists—to spend up to 10 months in Australia conducting research and working with Australian health policy experts on issues relevant to both countries.


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Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services

Health Care Innovation Awards- Round Two


In this round, CMS specifically seeks new payment models to support the service delivery models funded by this initiative. All applicants must submit, as part of their application, the design of a payment model that is consistent with the new service delivery model that they propose. CMS will grant up to $1 billion for testing new health care improvement initiatives. CMS is including public health pillars such as prevention, wellness, comprehensive care and
population health as priority areas in the funding opportunity. Applicants with public health partnerships are welcome to apply.


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Vilcek Foundation

Research grants for young foreign-born biomedical scientists

Deadline: August 14, 2013
The Vilcek Prizes for Creative Promise were established in 2009 to encourage and support young immigrants who have already demonstrated exceptional achievements and who often face significant challenges early in their careers. The Creative Promise Prizes are awarded annually in biomedical science and in a changing category of the arts, this year recognizing accomplishments in the field of Design. Three prizes of $35,000 each will be awarded to young foreign-born biomedical scientists/designers who demonstrate outstanding early achievement. Eligible work may be in basic, applied, and/or translational. Applicants must: have been born outside the US; not more than 38 years old as of January 1, 2014; be a naturalized citizen or permanent resident (green card holder) of the US; have earned a doctoral degree (MD, PhD, or equivalent); intend to pursue a professional career in the US; hold a full-time position in an academic institution or other organization. The applicant must be directly responsible for the design and execution of the work submitted for consideration. Graduate students and postdoctoral fellows working under the supervision of a mentor are not eligible.

http://www.vilcek.org/prizes/creative-promise/biomedical-science.html

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Guggenheim (Harry Frank) Foundation

Guggenheim Research Grants

Deadline: August 1, 2013

The Foundation welcomes proposals from any of the natural and social sciences and the humanities that promise to increase understanding of the causes, manifestations, and control of violence and aggression. Highest priority is given to research that can increase understanding and amelioration of urgent problems of violence and aggression in the modern world. Questions that interest the foundation concern violence and aggression in relation to social change, intergroup conflict, war, terrorism, crime, and family relationships, among other subjects. Awards normally range from $15,000 to $40,000 per year for one or two years.

http://www.hfg.org/rg/guidelines.htm
Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics Foundation Research Endowment

Research Grant on Childhood Overweight and Obesity

Deadline: July 1, 2013

Established by contributions of Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics members and friends to support food and nutrition research by Academy members. The Foundation encourages submission of applications from Academy Members that explore lifestyle interventions which can reduce the risk of development of childhood overweight and obesity by focusing on nutrition and physical activity. A one year grant of up to $35,000 is available to Academy Members.

http://www.eatright.org/foundation/researchendowmentgrant/

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Family Caregiver Alliance

Rosalinde Gilbert Innovations in Alzheimer's Disease Caregiving Legacy Awards

Deadline: August 16, 2013

Three awards of $20,000 each will be awarded to nonprofit organizations, government agencies or universities responding to a community need with a program or project which focuses primarily on family/informal caregivers of adults with Alzheimer's disease and related dementias. One award will be granted in each of these categories: Creative Expression; Diverse/Multicultural Communities; Policy and Advocacy.

http://www.caregiver.org/caregiver/jsp/content_node.jsp?nodeid=2188

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Conservation, Food and Health Foundation

Grants for projects in developing world

Deadlines: Preliminary proposal by Jan 1 and July 1; Full proposal by March 1 and Sept 1

The foundation seeks to promote the conservation of natural resources, improve the production and distribution of food, and improve health in the developing world. The foundation helps build capacity within developing countries in its three areas of interest with grants that support research or projects that solve specific problems. Supports projects that demonstrate strong local leadership, promote professional development in the conservation, agricultural, and health sciences; develop the capacity of local organizations; and address a particular problem in the field. It prefers to support projects addressing under-funded issues and geographic areas. The geographic focus is the developing world. Preference for support to organizations located in developing countries or to developed country organizations whose activities are of direct and immediate benefit to developing countries. Three primary fields of interest: conservation, food, and health. Average grant is $17,000.

http://cfhfoundation.grantsmanagement08.com/
NIH: National Institute of Drug Abuse

HIV/AIDS and Substance Use among Black/African American Women and Young MSM (R01) [RFA -DA-14-010]

Deadline:  LOI due by October 15, 2013; Proposal by November 15, 2013

To improve understanding of the intersection of HIV/AIDS and drug abuse, this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is part of a multipronged 2014 expansion of HIV and AIDS related research within the context of drug and alcohol abuse among understudied populations and in understudied settings that show promise for the development of effective prevention and treatment efforts. In addition to this funding opportunity, others included in the 2014 expansion address HIV/AIDS and substance use among the homeless and unstably housed (RFA-DA-14-009); the integration of substance abuse and HIV prevention and treatment within HIV/AIDS service delivery settings (RFA-DA-14-011); exploratory research on comorbid HIV, chronic pain, and substance use among older adults (RFA-DA-14-012); and Seek, Test, Treat, and Retain Data Harmonization Coordinating Center (RFA-DA-14-007).


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CDC: National Center for Injury Prevention and Control

Rape Prevention and Education (CDC-RFA-CE14-1401)

Deadline:  July 29, 2013

Eligible Applicants are state (and DC) health departments or their Bona Fide Agents. The overarching purpose of this program is to prevent sexual violence by implementing primary prevention strategies. This FOA will advance this goal by increasing the proportion of RPE funded organizations that are implementing sexual violence prevention strategies according to general principles of effective prevention strategies. These principles include the following: addressing modifiable risk and protective factors for perpetration and victimization, addressing multiple levels of the social ecology, emphasizing primary prevention, having sufficient dosage or intensity, being culturally relevant, being developed and implemented with stakeholders, and based on best available evidence. Funding is based on population. Average expected to be about $900,000/year/5yrs.

http://www07.grants.gov/search/announce.do;jsessionid=58hzR3QdTRRD23BJFDsCst4yJ1TwtQd8DZ7PpLkZ4kBhqHPcYpQX!-1283384390

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National Institute for Health Care Management Research and Educational Foundation

Research projects with potential to inform improvements in US Healthcare System

Deadline: Letters of Inquiry by July 19, 2013; fully application in September

The foundation will award up to $150,000 in grants to support investigator-initiated research focused on slowing the growth in healthcare spending, enhancing healthcare quality, and/or expanding access to health insurance and healthcare services. Projects must advance existing
knowledge in the areas of healthcare financing, delivery, management, and/or policy. Individual researchers and all types of organizations and institutions, including nonprofit and for-profit entities, are eligible to apply.

http://nihcm.org/grants/research-grants

The World Vegetable Center

Professional development faculty/student fellowships, internships

Deadline: continuous

WVC provides research partnerships and training for professional development. Includes research opportunities in headquarters of regional offices in Asia, Africa, Central America, and Oceania. Also opportunities for graduate students to do thesis/project work at the Center making its facilities and expertise available to scholars interested in tropical vegetable research.

http://avrdc.org/?page_id=1051

Amgen Foundation

Grants Program

Deadline: Continuous

The Amgen Foundation seeks to advance science education, improve quality of care and access for patients, and support resources that create sound communities where Amgen staff members live and work. Priorities: 1) Quality of Care and Access for Patients, especially those focused on Patient Empowerment and/or Health Care Disparities/Health Inequalities; 2) Interventions that aim to address problems at the root cause, help make a difference on the widest scale, and have a general benefit beyond a single institution and develop a framework that have the potential to be effective across various diseases and populations; 3) Science Education - The Foundation is committed to raising the value of science literacy on a national and local level. Grants range from $10,000 to multi-million dollar commitments.

http://www.amgen.com/citizenship/guidelines.html

Fahs-Bedk Fund for Research and Experimentation

Mental Health Research

Deadline: November 1, 2013

Grants of up to $20,000 will be awarded to support research on interventions designed to prevent or ameliorate major social, psychological, behavioral, or public health problems affecting children, adults, couples, families, or communities. The fund will also consider studies
that have the potential for adding significantly to knowledge about such problems. Projects must focus on the United States or Canada or on a comparison between the U.S. or Canada and one or more other countries.

http://www.fahsbeckfund.org/grant_programs.html#contact

National Science Foundation: Multiple divisions including Social and Economic Sciences, Science and Engineering Statistics, and Social, Behavioral Sciences

Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grants

Deadlines: Varies by NSF program and discipline

These grants provide funds for items not normally available through the student's university. Additionally, these grants allow doctoral students to undertake significant data-gathering projects and to conduct field research in settings away from their campus that would not otherwise be possible. Proposals are judged on the basis of scientific merit, including the theoretical importance of the research question and the appropriateness of the proposed data and methodology to be used in addressing the question. Requirements vary across programs, so proposers are advised to consult the relevant program's webpage for specific information and contact the program director if necessary. $2.5M for about 300 awards.

http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=13453

National Archives and Records Administration: National Historical Publications and Records Commission

Grants for Innovation in Archives and Documentary Editing

Deadline: October 3, 2013

The NHPR Commission seeks projects that are exploring innovative methods to improve the preservation, public discovery, or use of historical records. Projects may also focus on techniques and tools that will improve the professional performance and effectiveness of those who work with such records, such as archivists, documentary editors, and records managers. Projects must anticipate results that will affect more than a single institution or a single state. Projects may focus on methods of working with records in any format, including born-digital records. Projects designed to publish historical records must focus on innovative methods of presenting archival records as primary sources. The Commission does not fund projects focused on artifacts or books. For a comprehensive list of the Commission’s limitations on funding, see What we do and do not fund (http://www.archives.gov/nhprc/apply/eligibility.html). A grant normally is for one to three years. The Commission expects to make up to six grants of between $50,000 and $150,000.

http://www.archives.gov/nhprc/announcement/innovation.html
Planning Grants to Develop A Model Intervention for Youth/Young Adults With Child Welfare Involvement At-Risk of Homelessness

Deadline: July 22, 2013

These 2-year planning grants are expected to build the capacity of child welfare systems to prevent long-term homelessness among the most at-risk youth/young adults with child welfare involvement. Using the Intervention Model developed by the United States Interagency Council on Homelessness (http://www.usich.gov/resources/uploads/asset_library/USICH_OD_Amendment_WEB_091112v2.pdf), these planning grants will allow grantees during the planning grant to develop, refine, and test the core components of the intervention model, including: Screening and assessment tools; Using culturally-appropriate and effective intervention strategies that target assessed needs and strengths of young adults based on risk and protective factors; Implementing trauma-informed care and positive youth development frameworks; and Implementing practices that impact positive changes in risk and protective factors in order to improve core outcome areas over time that help homeless youth make positive transitions. The core activities developed are expected to produce outcomes in the area of: stable housing, permanent connections, education/employment, and social-emotional well-being.


Edwards Lifesciences Fund

Strategic Grants

Deadline: June 28, 2013

The sponsor will provide assistance for programs that expand awareness of cardiovascular disease, its prevention and treatment or enhance support and access to care for underserved cardiovascular patients. Programs that support research and education to increase expertise and innovation in treating cardiovascular disease or establish trusted partnerships to further leverage the impact of the Fund are favored. The sponsor's goals and objectives are to: expand awareness of cardiovascular disease, its prevention and treatment; enhance support and access to care for under-served cardiovascular patients; support research and education to increase expertise and innovation in treating cardiovascular disease; establish trusted partnerships to further leverage impact; and support opportunities for Edwards and their employees to contribute to their communities while operating consistently with the principles of Edwards Lifesciences Credo. Maximum of $10,000.

http://www.edwards.com/sharedpages/Pages/elfpolicypdf.aspx
EMDR Research Foundation

Doctoral Dissertation Grant Awards

Deadlines: July 1, 2013 and February 1, 2014

Provides dissertation grants of up to $5,000 to doctoral students to support dissertation expenses related to research to study the effectiveness of EMDR (Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing) in one of the following priority areas: combat trauma; depression; and children & adolescents. Doctoral students in social work, psychology, and nursing who have completed their course work and have an approved dissertation proposal are eligible to apply for this grant. Grant funds may be used to cover the costs of conducting the proposed study, but may not use it to pay for tuition, travel, equipment, or for one’s time.

http://emdrresearchfoundation.org/research-grants/doctoral-dissertation-grant-awards/

Gerber Foundation

Novice Researcher Program

Deadlines: December 1, 2013 and June 1, 2014

The Gerber Foundation has an interest in promoting the development of new investigators. Recognizing that many developing researchers may find it difficult to obtain initial funding to establish their line of investigation, a Novice Researcher program has been initiated. The purpose is to encourage the development of medical research in infant and early childhood health and nutrition by awarding small grants to new researchers. These awards follow the Foundation’s current focus on clinical/translational research in infant and early childhood health and nutrition. Emphasis is placed on projects with relatively short clinical applicability. Projects need to be under the guidance of a mentor. The qualifications and experience of the mentor will be a consideration during evaluation of the application. Up to 10 awards may be given per year. A maximum of $20,000 per project.

http://www.gerberfoundation.org/pd-research/novice-research-awards/application-process

NIH: National Institute of Nursing Research

Small Business Technology Transfer Program

Deadlines: 08/05/2013, 09/07/2013, 12/05/2013, 01/07/2014

NINR invites eligible US small business concerns (SBCs) to submit Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) grant applications for research focused on biological and behavioral aspects of critical health problems that confront the Nation. Emphasis is on seeking ways to reduce the burden of illness and disability by understanding and easing the effects of acute and chronic illness, improving health-related quality of life by preventing or delaying the onset of disease or slowing its progression, establishing better approaches to promote health and prevent disease,
and improving clinical environments by testing interventions that influence patient health outcomes and reduce costs and demand for care. US SBCs that have the research capabilities and technological expertise to contribute to the R&D mission(s) of the NIH, CDC, FDA or ACF awarding components identified in this FOA are encouraged to submit SBIR grant applications in response to identified topics. Research topics are: research and development of technologies for health promotion and alleviation, adaptation to, or management of symptoms; research and development of technologies to enhance self-care and clinical care; and other research topics within the mission of the sponsor, including micro- and nano-systems, platform technologies; and nanotechnology.

http://grants.nih.gov/grants/funding/sbirsttr1/2013-2_SBIR-STTR-topics.docx

NIH: National Institute Child and Human Development, NCI, OBSSR

School Nutrition and Physical Activity Policies, Obesogenic Behaviors and Weight Outcomes (R03, R21, R01)

Deadlines: Standard annual NIH schedule of deadlines

The FOA encourages research project grant (R03) applications that propose to: (1) foster multidisciplinary research that will evaluate how policies (federal, state and school district levels) can influence school physical activity and nutrition environments, youths’ obesogenic behaviors (e.g., nutrition and physical activity behaviors), and weight outcomes; (2) understand how schools are implementing these policies and examine multi-level influences on adoption and implementation at various levels (e.g., federal, state, school district, and school); and (3) understand the synergistic or counteractive effect of school nutrition and physical activity polices on the home and community environment and body weight. The R03 grant mechanism supports different types of projects including pilot and feasibility studies; secondary analysis of existing data; small, self-contained research projects; development of research methodology; and development of new research technology.


NIH: NIA, NHLBI, NIAID

Asthma in Older Adults (R03, R21, R01)

Deadlines: Standard annual schedule of NIH deadlines

Supports applications that propose to study the pathophysiology, epidemiology, diagnosis, and/or management of asthma in older adults. Much of what is known about asthma in adults is based on studies in younger adult populations; however, the mechanisms underlying asthma in some older adults may differ, which may impact on diagnostic, treatment, and prevention strategies. This FOA is intended to stimulate research to address knowledge gaps and research opportunities in asthma in later life. A variety of study approaches are encouraged with this FOA including basic, translational, clinical, and epidemiological studies.

NIH: National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism

Screening and Brief Alcohol Interventions in Underage and Young Adult Populations (R03, R21, R01)

Deadlines:  Standard annual schedule of NIH deadlines

The objective of this FOA is to encourage research on screening and brief interventions to prevent and/or reduce alcohol use and alcohol-related harms.


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NIH: NIMH, NICHD, NIDA

Women’s Mental Health during Pregnancy and the Postpartum Period (R21, R01)

Deadlines:  Standard schedule of NIH deadlines

The purpose of this FOA is to outline priority areas for research related to women’s mental health during pregnancy and the postpartum period. Priority areas include basic and clinical neuroscience, studies of clinical course, epidemiological factors and risk factors, as well as interventions and services research. The NIMH, NICHD, and NIDA are committed to supporting research that will increase scientific understanding of and treatments for mental disorders experienced by women during and following pregnancy. Reduction of the public health burden of mental disorders during this perinatal period will improve the health and well-being of new mothers, their children and families.


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US Dept Justice: Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention

Youth with Sexual Behavior Problems Programs

Deadline:  July 25, 2013

This program will provide funding to agencies that utilize a comprehensive multidisciplinary approach in working with youth with sexual behavior problems and their child victims to provide intervention and supervision services for the offending youth and treatment services for the surviving child victim and family. Projects will assist communities in responding to children who have been sexually victimized by youth between the ages of 10-14 and are exhibiting sexual behavior problems. The program will focus on interfamilial and/or co-residential child victims and offenders. Multi-disciplinary teams should consist of the following members: social services staff, juvenile court staff, mental health personnel, victim advocate personnel, law enforcement, and community-support providers. $300-500,000/24 months.


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US Dept HHS: Administration on Children, Youth and Families
Family Violence Prevention and Services/ Improvements to Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Questioning (LGBTQ) Service Accessibility

Deadlines: LOI by July 8, 2013; Full proposal by August 6, 2013

The intent of this grant program is to ultimately expand the capacity of both ‘mainstream’ domestic violence organizations and LGBTQ-specific organizations to more effectively identify and address the unique needs of LGBTQ domestic/intimate partner and dating violence victims. The successful grantee will focus on a systematic review of the latest state of knowledge based on literature and promising practice that would lead to improved outcomes for LGBTQ populations. Applicants will identify a plan that builds the capacity of the field to provide training and technical assistance to address services and programming for LGBTQ individuals. Applicants are expected to provide a plan for identifying evidence-based/evidence-informed/promising practices including a national dissemination strategy. Applicants are expected to share their expertise to lead practice improvements as well as organizational capacity-building. One award of $300,000/yr/3yrs.


Ittleson Foundation, Inc.

Grants Program

Deadline: September 1, 2013

The foundation provides funds for new initiatives and model projects that have the potential to greatly enhance public policy and the lives of fellow citizens. The Foundation's areas of particular interest are: mental health, AIDS, and the environment. In 2013 the Foundation will limit its new grantmaking to projects in the Environment program area.

http://www.ittlesonfoundation.org/updates-page/

Wellpoint Foundation

Grants for Community Health Improvement

Deadline: September 13, 2013

The Foundation considers both local and national initiatives whose outcomes predominantly impact any of the 14 states in which WellPoint, Inc. does business, including Virginia. Supports partnering with community investors committed to improving access to health care, keep healthcare quality high, and drive costs associated with quality care lower. Mission is to address preventable health concerns through strategic, charitable choices. Foundations champions healthy behaviors, health-risk prevention, and healthy environments. Funds specified public health-related issues that improve key health conditions and systems. While only occasionally awarding research and policy grants, the foundation only accepts research and policy requests by invitation. If you have a good idea for a research or policy project, please query the
foundation first by submitting a brief issue-and-proposed-response summary statement. The foundation will contact you if interested.

http://www.wellpointfoundation.org/wps/portal/wellpointfoundation?content_path=noapplication/f2/s0/t0/pw_a108240.htm&label=Apply%20For%20Funding&rootLevel=2

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US Dept HHS: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services

Hispanic Health Services Research Grant Program

Deadlines:  July 9, 2013 (LOI by June 12 not required)

CMS is announcing the availability of funds under this grant program to assist researchers in conducting health services research for 2013. The purpose of the Hispanic grant program is to implement Hispanic health services research activities to meet the needs of diverse CMS beneficiary populations. The grant program is designed to: 1) encourage health services and health disparities researchers to pursue research issues which impact Hispanic Medicare, Medicaid, and Children Health Insurance Program (CHIP) health services issues, 2) conduct outreach activities to apprise Hispanic researchers of funding availability to conduct research-related issues affecting Hispanic communities to expand the pool of applicants applying for such grants, 3) assist CMS in implementing its mission focusing on health care quality and improvement for its beneficiaries, 4) support extramural research in health care capacity development activities for the Hispanic communities, 5) promote research that will be aimed at developing a better understanding of health care services issues pertaining to Hispanics, and 6) foster a network for communication and collaboration regarding Hispanic health care issues. One award of $200,000.

https://www.grantsolutions.gov/gs/preaward/previewPublicAnnouncement.do?id=18147

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NIH: National Institute of General Medical Sciences

Research Initiative for Scientific Enhancement (RISE) (R25)

Deadlines:  May 28, 2014 and May 28, 2015

NIGMS invites applications for Research Initiative for Scientific Enhancement (RISE) research education grants (R25) from institutions focused on developing new or expanding existing effective institutional developmental programs designed to academically and scientifically prepare underrepresented (UR) students in the biomedical or behavioral sciences for competitive research careers. The RISE program provides grants to institutions with significant enrollment of students from populations underrepresented in the biomedical and behavioral sciences that propose well-integrated developmental activities designed to strengthen students' academic preparation, research training and professional skills that are critical to the completion of the Ph.D. degree in the biomedical and/or behavioral sciences.


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US Dept HHS: Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality
Health Services Research Demonstration and Dissemination Projects for Prevention and Management of Healthcare-Associated Infections (R18)


AHRQ invites applications for Health Services Research Demonstration and Dissemination Projects focused on prevention, reduction, and effective management of healthcare-associated infections (HAIs). This FOA will utilize the AHRQ Large Health Services Research Demonstration and Dissemination Grant (R18) award mechanism. Priority areas of HAI research: development, demonstration, implementation, and evaluation of strategies and approaches for prevention and management of HAIs; and research regarding adoption and implementation (including sustainment and spread/scale-up) of evidence-based approaches for prevention of HAIs. AHRQ is interested in R18 projects directed to any of the healthcare settings, as scientifically warranted, and is interested in all aspects of HAI prevention and management, including, but not limited to, ambulatory care, ambulatory surgery, long-term care, linkage between the various settings of care to improve tracking of HAIs, antibiotic stewardship, and multidrug resistant organisms and C. diff. AHRQ is interested in R18 projects conducted in under-resources health care settings. Up to $500,000/yr/3yrs.


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Urban Communication Foundation

Call for White Papers

Deadline: May 1, 2014

Urban Communication Foundation invites white papers of between 8000-10000 words in length on issues that have a direct bearing on public policy and/or the everyday life for people within cities. The UCF is soliciting research proposals that will lead to the development of white papers on the theme of Communication and Health Disparities in Urban Communities. The end product should aim to have some influence on policy makers, community leaders and scholars and contribute to basic research and practical solutions. $10,000 grant for 8-month project.