CHHS-related Funding Opportunity Announcements – March 1-8, 2013

Gerber Foundation – Pediatric Nutrition Research

Accepting concept papers for research projects designed to make a significant impact on issues affecting infants and young children from birth to three years. Priority is given to projects offering a substantial promise of meaningful advances in prevention and treatment of diseases and those with broad applicability to the general population on a regional or national level.

http://www.gerberfoundation.org/pd-research/research

NSF - Directorate for Computer and Information Sciences and Engineering

NIH – Office of Behavioral and Social Science Research

Smart and Connected Health: NSF-NIH Interagency Initiative

Deadlines: 05/28/2013, 06/03/2013, 10/10/2013, 12/10/2013

Goal is to accelerate development and use of innovative approaches to support the much needed transformation of healthcare from reactive and hospital-centered to preventive, proactive, evidence-based, person-centered and focused on well-being rather than disease. Approaches that partner technology-based solutions with biobehavioral health research are supported by multiple agencies of the federal government including NSF and NIH. Funding to develop next generation health care solutions and encourage existing and new research communities to focus on breakthrough ideas in a variety of areas of value to health, such as sensor technology, networking, information and machine learning technology, decision support systems, modeling of behavioral and cognitive processes, as well as system and process modeling. Effective solutions must satisfy a multitude of constraints arising from clinical/medical needs, social interactions, cognitive limitations, barriers to behavioral change, heterogeneity of data, semantic mismatch and limitations of current cyber-physical systems. Such solutions demand multidisciplinary teams.

http://obssr.od.nih.gov/scientific_areas/smartconnect_health.aspx

NIH – Multiple Institutes and Offices

Understanding and Promoting Health Literacy (R03, R21, R01) [Ongoing program]

To support methodological, intervention and dissemination research for understanding and promoting health literacy. Health literacy is defined as the degree to which individuals have the capacity to obtain, process, and understand basic health information and services needed to make appropriate health decisions.

**Commonwealth Fund**

The mission of The Commonwealth Fund is to promote a high performing health care system that achieves better access, improved quality, and greater efficiency, particularly for society's most vulnerable: low-income, uninsured, minority, young children, people with disabilities, and the elderly. Commonwealth Fund Programs:

- **Program on Patient-Centered Coordinated Care** sponsors activities aimed at improving the quality of primary health care in US, including efforts to make care more centered around the needs and preferences of patients and their families.

- **Program on Vulnerable Populations** supports efforts to ensure that low-income, uninsured, and racial and ethnic minority populations are able to obtain care from high-performing health systems with the capacity to meet their special needs.

- **Program on Health System Quality and Efficiency** has a special emphasis on fostering greater coordination and accountability among all involved in the delivery of health care. The program's work is rooted in the recognition that improvements are most likely to occur when the need for change is understood, measured, and publicly recognized; when providers have capacity to initiate and sustain change; and when appropriate incentives are in place.

- **Picker/Commonwealth Fund Program on Long-Term Care Quality Improvement** aims to raise the quality of post-acute and long-term care services and supports, and to improve care transitions for patients by integrating these services with other care.

  [http://www.commonwealthfund.org/Grants-and-Programs/Programs.aspx](http://www.commonwealthfund.org/Grants-and-Programs/Programs.aspx)

**Robert Wood Johnson Foundation**

Healthy Eating Research: Building Evidence to Prevent Childhood Obesity-Round 8

Deadline: July 10, 2013

The program supports research on environmental and policy strategies with strong potential to promote healthy eating among children to prevent childhood obesity, especially among lower-income and racial and ethnic populations at highest risk for obesity. Findings are expected to advance RWJF's efforts to reverse the childhood obesity epidemic by 2015. This call for proposals is for two types of awards aimed at providing advocates, decision-makers, and policy-makers with evidence to reverse the childhood obesity epidemic.

Gay and Lesbian Medical Association

Lesbian Health Fund - Grants to improve the health of lesbians and other sexual minority women and their families through research.

Deadline: May 15, 2013 and October 15, 2013


National Women’s Studies Association

Lesbian Caucus Research Award

Deadline: May 15, 2013

$500 research award in recognition of a Master’s Thesis or Doctoral Dissertation research project in areas of Lesbian, Queer, and LGBT Studies that resonates with the mission of NWSA.

http://www.nwsa.org/content.asp?pl=16&contentid=16

National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health

Occupational Safety and Health Research Grants (R01)

To develop an understanding of the risks and conditions associated with occupational diseases and injuries, to explore methods for reducing risks and for preventing or minimizing exposure to hazardous conditions in the workplace, and to translate significant scientific findings into prevention practices and products that will effectively reduce work-related illnesses and injuries.


US Department of Defense

Psychological Health/Traumatic Brain Injury Basic/Applied Psychological Health

Deadline: July 23, 2013

Psychological health and well-being of military personnel and their families. Research projects should include a well-formulated, testable hypothesis based on a strong scientific rationale. Experimental interventions are strongly encouraged. Preliminary data are required for applied research applications.

US Department of Justice - National Institute of Justice


Research and evaluation related to abuse, neglect, and exploitation of elderly individuals and residents of residential care facilities. Research proposed may be focused at the State, local, tribal, Federal, or juvenile criminal justice policy, and practice levels.


Research and Evaluation on Children Exposed to Violence - Deadline: 5/20/13

Research related to childhood exposure to violence (CEV) including polyvictimization, Internet harassment/electronic aggression (e.g., bullying through Facebook, harassing e-mails), resilience, or justice system responses to children identified as being exposed to violence. CEV includes children as both direct victims and as bystanders or observers of various forms of violence in the home, school, or community (including, but not limited to, peer victimization/bullying/harassment, child maltreatment, domestic violence, and community violence).

https://www.ncjrs.gov/pdffiles1/nij/sl001042.pdf


Research and evaluation related to violent victimization may be focused at the Federal, State, local, tribal, juvenile justice policy and/or practice level. Intersection of race, ethnicity, and violent victimization; Effectiveness of services for victims of violent crime; Victim/Offender overlap as it pertains to violent crime.; Sexual orientation and/or gender identity and violent victimization.

https://www.ncjrs.gov/pdffiles1/nij/sl001040.pdf


NIJ seeks proposals for criminal justice research and evaluation that include a researcher-practitioner partnership component. Partnerships can be new or ongoing. Projects should lead to better criminal justice policy, practice, and research, including for the participating practitioner partner. Proposals should fall under one of the following program areas: (1) Junior Faculty Grant Program to Promote Criminal Justice Researcher-Practitioner Partnerships, and (2) Criminal Justice Researcher-Practitioner Fellowship Placement Program.

https://www.ncjrs.gov/pdffiles1/nij/sl001041.pdf
Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation

Grand Challenges in Global Health - March 2013

Explorations Round 11: Increasing Interoperability of Social Good Data

One of the biggest barriers to the use and application of data is the lack of interoperability, particularly in the social sector. New data sets – "data islands" – are being collected and often opened to the public every day that are relevant to the work of social good. These include information from governments, multi-lateral institutions, nonprofits, individual organizations, funders, corporate data, geospatial data, and more. Funder looking for ideas that might provide new and innovative ways to address the following:

• Improving the availability and use of program impact data by bringing together data from multiple organizations operating in the same field and geographical area;
• Enabling combinations of data through application programming interface (APIs), taxonomy crosswalks, classification systems, middleware, natural language processing, and/or data sharing agreements;
• Reducing inefficiency for users entering similar information into multiple systems through common web forms, profiles, apps, interfaces, etc.;
• Creating new value for users trying to pull data from multiple sources;
• Providing new ways to access and understand more than one data set, for example, through new data visualizations, including mashing up government and other data;
• Identifying needs and barriers by experimenting with increased interoperability of multiple data sets; and
  Providing ways for people to access information that isn't normally accessible (for using natural language processing to pull and process stories from numerous sources) and combing that information with open data sets.

http://www.grandchallenges.org/Explorations/Topics/Pages/SocialDataInteroperability_Round11.aspx

Stavros Niarchos Foundation

Arts/culture, Education, Health/Medicine, and Social Welfare

A leading international philanthropic organization funding organizations and projects with strong leadership and sound management to achieve broad, lasting and positive social impact. Supports projects facilitating formation of public-private partnerships as effective means for serving public welfare. Recent grants funded projects in US and over 20 countries. Special commitment to Greece as demonstrated by Fdtn's largest single gift of $796M to create a Cultural Center in Athens. Grant inquiries are considered throughout the year. Applications are evaluated by the Programs Department and all inquiries will receive a written response.

http://www.snf.org/
NIH – Multiple Institutes and Offices

Dissemination and Implementation Research in Health (R03, R21, R01) [Ongoing program]

Research to identify, develop, evaluate and refine effective and efficient methods, systems, infrastructures, and strategies to disseminate and implement research-tested health behavior change interventions, evidence-based prevention, early detection, diagnostic, treatment and management, and quality of life improvement services, and data monitoring and surveillance reporting tools into public health and clinical practice settings that focus on patient outcomes.


NIH – National Institute of Drug Abuse

Women and Sex/Gender Differences in Drug and Alcohol Abuse/Dependence (R01) [Ongoing program]

The sponsors invite applications to advance research on male-females differences in drug and alcohol abuse and addiction and on factors specific to women. Both human and animal model studies are sought.


NIH – NIDDK, NCI, and Office of Dietary Supplements

Pilot and Feasibility Clinical Research Studies in Digestive Diseases and Nutrition (R21) [Ongoing program]

Pilot and feasibility clinical and epidemiological research studies of new therapies or means of health promotion and prevention of digestive and liver diseases and nutritional disorders associated with digestive and liver diseases.

http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-12-139.html

NIH – National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases

Prevention and Treatment of Obesity, Diabetes, and Chronic Kidney Disease in Military Populations (R21) [Ongoing program]

invites applications on prevention and treatment of obesity, diabetes, and chronic kidney disease in military personnel (active duty and retired) and their families.

NIH – National Institute of Drug Abuse

International Research Collaboration on Drug Abuse and Addiction Research (R03, R21, R01)

[Ongoing program]

Special opportunities include access to unusual talent, resources, populations, or environmental conditions in other countries that will speed scientific discovery. Projects should have relevance to the mission of NIDA and where feasible should address NIDAs scientific priority areas. While the priorities will change from year to year, current priority areas include: linkages between HIV/AIDS and drug abuse, and prevention, initiation, and treatment of nicotine and tobacco use (especially among vulnerable populations such as children, adolescents, pregnant women, and those with co-morbid disorders).

http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-12-041.html