Health Behavior

**Keywords:** smoking cessation, pregnant women

**Centers for Disease Control and Prevention**

Cost-Benefit of Incentive-based Smoking Cessation for Pregnant Women

[http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&oppId=210373](http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&oppId=210373)

Letter of Intent Due: February 4, 2013
Proposal Due: March 4, 2013

The intent is to solicit proposals for a study to assess the cost-benefit of a smoking cessation intervention that targets pregnant smokers. The intent is to evaluate a high intensity and low intensity contingency management (CM) intervention on prenatal smoking cessation. The suggested approach is a three-arm randomized controlled trial to assess smoking abstinence at end of pregnancy and cost-benefit of different intensity levels of CM on prenatal smoking cessation. The 3 arms would include: 1) a high intensity CM intervention for smoking cessation during pregnancy; 2) a low intensity CM intervention for smoking cessation during pregnancy, and 3) standard of care.

**Keywords:** autism, interventions

**Health Resources and Services Administration**

**R40 MCH Autism Intervention Research Program**

[http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&oppId=211873](http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&oppId=211873)

Proposal Due: February 19, 2013

R40 MCH Autism Intervention Research Program supports research on evidence-based practices for interventions to improve the health and well-being of children and adolescents with autism spectrum disorders (ASD) and other developmental disabilities (DD).

**Keywords:** patient-centered outcomes research, comparative effectiveness research

**Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality**

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**Keywords:** obesity prevention, cardiac disease prevention, physical activity, prenatal health, immunization, smoking cessation

The Wellpoint Foundation
Foundation Grants Program
http://www.wellpointfoundation.org/wps/portal/wellpointfoundation?content_path=noapplication/f2/s0/t0/pw_b142061.htm&label=WellPoint%20Foundation%20Funding&rootLevel=2

**Query Due:** Prior to application; see website

**Proposal Due:** April 19, September 13, 2013

The sponsor invests in traditional and non-traditional problem solving approaches. Such approaches could be programs that provide direct services to people, or systems change to improve community health. The sponsor's mission is to address preventable health concerns through strategic, charitable choices. To assist in meeting these goals, the sponsor supports the following priority areas: Helping children reduce their obesity levels, helping adults reduce their risks for cardiac mortality, helping adults improve and sustain healthy physical activity levels, helping decrease the prevalence of diabetes in adults, helping at-risk expectant mothers engage in sustained prenatal care in their first trimesters, helping at-risk expectant mothers commit to behaviors that reduce numbers of low birth-weight babies, helping adults improve their influenza prevention and immunization rates, helping adults improve their pneumococcal prevention and immunization rates, and helping individuals adopt and sustain smoking cessation behaviors.

**Health Services Management**

**Keywords:** health services, dissemination

Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality
AHRQ Health Services Research Demonstration and Dissemination Grants (R18)

**Proposal Due:** January 25, May 25, September 25, 2013

The Research Demonstration and Dissemination Grant (R18) is an award made by AHRQ to an institution/organization to support a discrete, specified health services research project. The project will be performed by the named investigator and study team. The R18 research plan proposed by the applicant institution/organization must be related to the mission and portfolio priority research interests of AHRQ.
Keywords: economic research, personalized healthcare
National Institutes of Health
Determinants and Consequences of Personalized Health Care and Prevention (U01)
Letter of Intent Due: January 28, 2013
Proposal Due: February 28, 2013
This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) solicits U01 applications for economic research on the determinants and consequences of personalization in health care and prevention. The objective of the research program is to support foundational research on economic aspects of individualized health interventions that will provide a framework for subsequent applied analyses. Program Director(s)/Principal investigator(s) for projects funded under this FOA are required to participate in a Steering Committee that will help identify key strategies to support critical research advances in this field. Research to be supported by this FOA includes analyses and development of research tools to advance understanding of: factors that affect the value of personalized interventions to individuals and their families, health care providers and payers, and society at large; incentives and constraints facing individuals and their families, health care providers, research organizations, drug and device manufacturers, and others and how they affect the actual and optimal extent to which interventions are tailored to patients’ personal characteristics or preferences; and strategies to promote improvements in health and cost outcomes through personalization of health care and preventive interventions. The purpose of this FOA is to expand generalizable understanding of the determinants and consequences of personalization in health care and prevention; it is not primarily intended to support evaluation of specific interventions or strategies for addressing particular health conditions.

Keywords: cost-benefit analysis, primary care practice
Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality
Estimating the Costs of Supporting Primary Care Practice Transformation (R03)
Letter of Intent Due: January 28, 2013
Proposal Due: February 28, 2013
With this announcement, AHRQ is interested in adding knowledge about the direct and indirect costs associated with supporting primary care transformation. While proposed projects may utilize the methods of cost-benefit, cost-effectiveness, or cost-utility analyses on the support and maintenance of primary care transformation, given the dearth of current valid information available, AHRQ also is interested in receiving proposals to document the direct and indirect financial costs shouldered by small and medium sized practices in becoming a patient centered medical home and the direct and indirect external costs involved in successful primary care practice facilitation programs.

Keywords: Medicaid, maternal and child health
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
Medicaid Expansion and Reproductive Health Care for Women

http://www07.grants.gov/search/synopsis.do;jsessionid=nNGPQGFMT4QiyQJKGvBLG2yj8cJr
mGj0qGvKypsVvRBbvSHNtncvl1991528615

Letter of Intent Due: February 4, 2013
Proposal Due: March 4, 2013

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Keywords: health services, R01
Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality
AHRQ Health Services Research Projects (R01)
Proposal Due: February 5, June 5, October 5, 2013

The Research Project Grant (R01) is an award made by AHRQ to an institution/organization to support a discrete, specified health services research project. The project will be performed by the named investigator and study team. The R01 research plan proposed by the applicant institution/organization must be related to the mission and portfolio priority research interests of AHRQ.

Keywords: career award, health services research
Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality
AHRQ Mentored Clinical Scientist Research Career Development Award (K08)
Proposal Due: February 12, June 12, October 12, 2013

The primary purpose of the AHRQ Mentored Clinical Scientist Research Career Development Awards (K08) program is to prepare qualified individuals for careers that have a significant impact on the quality, safety, efficiency, and effectiveness of health care for all Americans. This program represents the continuation of an AHRQ program that provides support and “protected time” to individuals with a clinical doctoral degree for an intensive, supervised research career development experience in health services research. The award can be used both by individuals who propose to newly embark in health services research training and those who had a hiatus in their research careers because of illness or family circumstances. The award is also available to promote research workforce diversity by providing enhanced research career development opportunities.

Keywords: telehealth, healthcare outcomes
Health Resources and Services Administration
Telehealth Network Grant Program
https://grants3.hrsa.gov/2010/Web2External/Interface/FundingCycle/ExternalView.aspx?fCyceID=b2fb77c1-487e-4ea3-a19c-
96359b4588e3&txtAction=View+Details&submitAction=Go&ViewMode=EU
Proposal Due: February 13, 2013

This announcement solicits applications for the Telehealth Network Grant Program (TNGP). The primary objective of the TNGP as noted in Section 330I(D)(1) is to demonstrate how telehealth programs and networks can improve access to quality health care services in rural, frontier, and underserved communities. TNGP networks are used to: (a) expand access to, coordinate, and improve the quality of health care services; (b) improve and expand the training of health care providers; and/or (c) expand and improve the quality of health information available to health care providers, and patients and their families, for decision-making. To further elaborate on the program’s statutory requirements noted above, applicants are encouraged to develop innovative applications that meet new and emerging needs in a changing health care delivery system with a focus on value and improved health care outcomes.

Keywords: patient-centered outcomes research, comparative effectiveness research

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Biostatistics

Keywords: genome-wide data, secondary data analysis
National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research
NIDCR Small Research Grants for Data Analysis and Statistical Methodology Applied to Genome-wide Data (R03)
Proposal Due: February 16, June 16, October 16, 2013

The purpose of this FOA is to provide support for meritorious research projects that involve secondary data analyses of genome-wide data (e.g., existing data from genome-wide association studies), relevant to human dental or craniofacial conditions or traits. Development of statistical methodology appropriate for analyzing genome-wide data, relevant to human dental or craniofacial conditions or traits, may also be proposed.

Keywords: secondary data analysis
National Eye Institute
NEI Research Grant for Secondary Analysis (R21)
Proposal Due: February 16, June 16, October 16, 2013

This FOA issued by the National Eye Institute (NEI), National Institutes of Health (NIH), encourages applications from institutions/organizations that propose to conduct secondary data analyses utilizing existing database resources. Applications may be related to, but must be distinct from, the specific aims of the original data collection. The NEI supports an extensive portfolio of clinical trials and large-scale epidemiologic research projects, wherein numerous data collection activities are required to meet each project's specific aims. The resultant wealth of data generated by these studies often provides unique, cost-effective opportunities to investigate additional research
questions or develop new analytical approaches secondary to a project's originally-intended purpose. Data are not limited to those collected under NEI support but such data are of the highest programmatic interest. The R21 may be used to develop new statistical methodologies or to test hypotheses using existing data, but this FOA may not be used to support the collection of new data.

**Epidemiology**

**Keywords: maternal and child health**  
**Centers for Disease Control and Prevention**  
**Birth Defects Study To Evaluate Pregnancy exposureS (BD-STEPS)**  
**Letter of Intent Due: January 8, 2013**  
**Proposal Due: February 1, 2013**  
The purpose of this FOA is to identify modifiable maternal exposures in early pregnancy that may increase the risk for having a pregnancy affected by certain major, structural birth defects. Grantees will use data from existing birth defects surveillance systems to identify children with the 17 birth defects categories. Mothers of these case infants and mothers of randomly selected live born control infants will be contacted and invited to participate in a maternal interview covering multiple topics, with a focus on the key areas of: (1) diabetes, obesity, and physical activity; (2) other chronic maternal medical conditions; (3) infertility; and (4) medication use.

**Keywords: surveillance, inflammatory bowel disease**  
**Centers for Disease Control and Prevention**  
**Prevalence and Incidence of Inflammatory Bowel Disease**  
[http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?mode=VIEW&oppId=211733](http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?mode=VIEW&oppId=211733)  
**Letter of Intent Due: January 20, 2013**  
**Proposal Due: February 20, 2013**  
Purpose: To conduct an epidemiological research study to obtain estimates of the prevalence and incidence of Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD) in populations and to define the demographic and clinical characteristics of IBD and its impact on the health of affected persons.

**Keywords: infectious disease outbreaks**  
**Department of State**  
**Global Biosecurity Engagement Activities**  
**Proposal Due: February 1, 2013**  
The Department of State’s Office to Cooperative Threat Reduction (ISN/CTR) invites non-profit/non-governmental organizations and educational institutions to submit proposals for projects that will advance the mission of the Department’s Biosecurity Engagement Program (BEP). ISN/CTR has approximately $20,000,000 available in the current fiscal year to award multiple grants and cooperative agreements in this field. ISN/CTR prefers projects that cost less than $500,000, though awards may involve multiple projects that cumulatively exceed $500,000. BEP funds
activities in three priority pillars. The first pillar increases biosafety and biosecurity through technical consultations, risk assessments, and training courses that develop expertise to create a sustainable culture of laboratory biorisk management. The second pillar of engagement focuses on disease detection and control and strengthening the capacity for public and veterinary health systems to detect, report, and control infectious disease outbreaks. The third pillar of engagement focuses on scientific engagement to enhance global health security and foster safe, secure, and sustainable bioscience capacity through joint scientific collaborations designed to help prevent, detect, and respond to biological threats. For each pillar, BEP focuses on long-term sustainability.

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mGJ0qGvKypsVvRBbvSHNtcv1991528615](http://www07.grants.gov/search/synopsis.do?jsessionid=nNGPQGFMT4QjyQJKGvBLG2yi8cJr
mGJ0qGvKypsVvRBbvSHNtcv1991528615)

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**Keywords:** secondary data analysis, autism

**Health Resources and Services Administration**

R40 MCH Autism Intervention Secondary Data Analysis Studies (SDAS) Program

[http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&oppId=211873](http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&oppId=211873)
Proposal Due: February 19, 2013
R40 MCH Autism Intervention Secondary Data Analysis Studies (SDAS) Program supports research on evidence-based practices for interventions to improve the health and well-being of children and adolescents with autism spectrum disorders (ASD) and other developmental disabilities (DD), relying exclusively on the analysis of existing secondary data.

Gerontology

Keywords: retirement income, disability insurance issues
Center for Retirement Research
Sandell Grant and Dissertation Fellowship Programs
http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml?id=315800016
Proposal Due: January 31, 2013
The Steven H. Sandell Grant Program provides funding opportunities for scholars from all academic disciplines and senior scholars working in a new area to pursue cutting-edge projects having to do with retirement income and disability insurance issues. Junior scholars within the first ten years of their academic career and tenured scholars entering a new field are encouraged to submit a proposal. The principal investigator and co-principal investigator, if applicable, are required to have a Ph.D. or comparable professional certification. Scholars must be employed full-time at an academic or research institution. Grants are not intended to fund dissertation research. Up to five grants of $45,000 will be awarded for projects of one year. The Dissertation Fellowship Program in Retirement Income and Disability Insurance Research provides funding opportunities for doctoral candidates to pursue cutting-edge research on retirement issues. Applicants are required to be enrolled in a qualified doctoral program at a United States university; have completed all coursework for a Ph.D. by the time funding starts; and have a dissertation advisor and/or committee. Doctoral candidates from all academic disciplines are encouraged to submit a proposal. Up to seven fellowships of $28,000 will be awarded. Priority research areas for both programs include Social Security and disability insurance, macroeconomic analyses of Social Security, wealth and retirement income, program interactions, international research, and demographic research.

Environmental Health

Keywords: core centers
National Institutes of Health
Environmental Health Sciences (EHS) Core Centers (P30)
Letter of Intent Due: January 14, 2013
Proposal Due: February 13, 2013
The National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS) invites applications from qualified institutions for support of Environmental Health Sciences Core Centers (EHS CC). The Centers are designed to establish leadership and support for programs of excellence in
environmental health sciences by providing scientific guidance, technology, and career development opportunities for promising investigators. A Core Center Grant is an institutional award to support centralized scientific resources and facilities shared by investigators with existing research projects. By providing structure and resources, this support is intended to enhance the ability of scientists working in the field of environmental health sciences to identify and capitalize on emerging opportunities that will translate into advances improving the understanding of the relationships among environmental exposures, human biology, and disease.

**Keywords:** student support
National Environmental Health Association
Graduate Scholarship Program
http://www.neha.org/pdf/about/2013_Scholarship_Application.pdf
Proposal Due: February 1, 2013
The purpose of the scholarship program is to stimulate past and present graduates to pursue postgraduate studies in environmental health sciences and/or public health. The graduate scholarship is available to those students or career professionals who are enrolled in a graduate program of studies in environmental health sciences and/or public health.

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Department of State
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**Keywords:** sabbatical travel support
National Environmental Health Association
NEHA/UL Sabbatical Exchange Program
http://www.neha.org/about/Awards/SabbaticalExchangeAward.html
Proposal Due: March 1, 2013

There are no borders to environmental health. What concerns one country concerns all others; what affects one people affects the world. That's why NEHA and UL are proud to present an opportunity for a NEHA member to spend a two-to-four-week sabbatical in an IFEH member country, observing, questioning and sharing environmental health practices and information. The award is given annually, for either a two-week, or a four-week sabbatical. The four-week sabbatical stipend is $4000, plus round trip airfare up to $1000. Stipends are adjusted accordingly for a two-week sabbatical, which is the minimum to be taken. A commemorative plaque is also awarded.