All Research Areas

Keywords: Student support, mental health, dissertation
National Institute of Mental Health
Mental Health Research Dissertation Grant to Increase Diversity (R36)
The purpose of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA), issued by the National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH), is to increase the diversity of the mental health research workforce by providing dissertation awards in all areas of research within the strategic priorities of the NIMH to individuals from diverse backgrounds underrepresented in mental health research to support the completion of the doctoral research project.

Keywords: Administrative supplement, sex/gender differences
National Institutes of Health
Administrative Supplements for Research on Sex/Gender Differences (Admin Supp)
Proposal Due: January 11, 2013
The NIH announces the availability of administrative supplements to support research highlighting the impact of sex/gender differences (or similarities) in human health, including behavioral, clinical or preclinical studies. Included are studies relevant to the pathophysiology, clinical presentation, prevention, or treatment of disease. The proposed research should address the objectives of the NIH Strategic Plan for Women’s Health and Sex Differences Research (http://orwh.od.nih.gov/NIHStrategicPlan.ORWH.pdf).

Keywords: Manuscript writing support
National Library of Medicine
NLM Grants for Scholarly Works in Biomedicine and Health (G13)
Letter of Intent Due: January 21, 2013
Proposal Due: February 21, 2013
NLM Grants for Scholarly Works in Biomedicine and Health are awarded for the preparation of book-length manuscripts and other scholarly works of value to U.S. health professionals, public health officials, biomedical researchers and historians of the health sciences.

Keywords: Dissertation fellowships, student support
Jack Kent Cooke Foundation
Accepting Applications for Dissertation Fellowships
http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml?id=397900035
Proposal Due: February 4, 2013
The Jack Kent Cooke Foundation, which assists high-achieving low-income students reach their full potential through education, is inviting applications for its Dissertation Fellowship Program. The foundation created the dissertation fellowships for doctoral candidates who are researching, within the populations served by the foundation, factors and contexts that help students with financial need overcome personal adversity and challenging socioeconomic circumstances to excel academically. Now in its third year, the program will award four fellowships of up to $25,000 to support advanced doctoral candidates in a variety of fields. Please note that the applicants' graduate study may be in a diverse range of academic disciplines (e.g., policy studies, economics, psychology, education), but their topic must be tied to the foundation's mission -- advancing the education of exceptionally promising students who have financial need. All candidates must have successfully completed all pre-dissertation requirements. Although applicants must be candidates for a doctoral degree at a graduate school in the United States, they need not be U.S. citizens.

**Health Behavior**

**Keywords: medication safety, patient-centered outcomes**
Cardinal Health Foundation  
E3 Grant Program  
**Proposal Due: December 7, 2012**
The Cardinal Health Foundation has announced that, for the sixth consecutive year, it will award grants to help United States, Canadian, and Puerto Rican hospitals, health systems, community health clinics, and other nonprofit healthcare institutions improve the efficiency and quality of their patient care. The foundation's E3 Grant Program will fund projects designed to improve medication safety, particularly as patients move from hospital environments to home and other healthcare settings; or for projects to improve operating room safety through use of the World Health Organization surgical safety checklist. The program supports the implementation of evidence-based practices that have been identified as successful and lead to positive patient outcomes. While the implementation of evidenced-based practices with quantifiable outcomes is the goal, the program also encourages grantees to be innovative in the way the projects are implemented so that the work can be sustained as well as spread to other institutions. Eligible applicants are nonprofit healthcare institutions including those in acute and ambulatory settings working in partnership with each other or independently. Collaboratives are also eligible.

**Keywords: health disparities, health policy, coordinating center**
National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities  
NIMHD Transdisciplinary Collaborative Centers for Health Disparities Research [U54]  
**Letter of Intent Due: December 15, 2012**  
**Proposal Due: January 15, 2013**
The National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities (NIMHD) seeks to establish specialized Transdisciplinary Collaborative Centers (TCCs) for Health Disparities Research.
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**Keywords:** patient-centered outcomes research, effectiveness research

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**Letter of Intent Due: January 15, 2013**

**Proposal Due: March 13, 2013**

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**Keywords:** prescription drug abuse, prevention, service delivery

**National Institute on Drug Abuse**

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**Proposal Due: February 5, June 5, and October 5, 2013**


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**Health Services Management**

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Public Health Services and Systems Research Releases Call for Proposals
http://pweb1.rwjf.org/applications/solicited/cfp.jsp?ID=21411&cid=XEM_A6563
Proposal Due: December 18, 2012
The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) seeks to expand the evidence base for effective public health policy and practice through investment in Public Health Services and Systems Research (PHSSR). PHSSR, a multi-disciplinary field of study, provides a framework for examining the organization, financing, delivery and quality of public health services within communities and the impact of those services on the health of the public. This solicitation, guided by the national research agenda for PHSSR, aims to further advance the field with the ultimate goal of improving the performance and efficiency of public health agencies and their system partners and the health of the people they serve.

Medicare Rural Hospital Flexibility Program Evaluation Cooperative Agreement
https://grants.hrsa.gov/webExternal/SFO.asp?ID=8400d27c-050d-454e-9acc-accdfe7e7ef6
Proposal Due: January 14, 2013
The purpose of this program is (1) to provide a mechanism for monitoring and evaluating the Medicare Rural Hospital Flexibility (Flex) grant program, and (2) to provide resources for the state Flex grantees that will assist them as they support quality improvement, financial and operational improvement, and health systems development in rural America.

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Investigator Awards in Health Policy Research
Robert Wood Johnson Foundation
Proposal Due: January 16, 2013

The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Investigator Awards in Health Policy Research program supports educational and other nonprofit institutions where highly qualified individuals propose to undertake broad studies of America’s most challenging policy issues in health and health care. Grants of up to $335,000 each are awarded to institutions to support Investigators from a variety of disciplines for innovative research projects that have national policy relevance.

**Keywords:** patient safety, medical error reduction, process improvement

Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality

Partnerships in Implementing Patient Safety II (R18)


Proposal Due: January 25, 2013

The purpose of this Funding Opportunity (FOA) is to support Research Demonstration and Dissemination (R18) grant applications from organizations that will implement safe practice interventions that demonstrate evidence of reducing or eliminating medical errors, risks, hazards, and harms associated with the process of health care. These 24 month implementation projects will inform AHRQ, providers, patients, payers, policy makers, and the public about how safe practice interventions can be successfully implemented in diverse health care settings and lead to safer and better health care for all Americans. This FOA follows the release of an earlier FOA in 2005 that resulted in the release of successful implementation projects and toolkits available to the public.

**Keywords:** medical technology, health outcomes, economic research

National Institutes of Health

Diffusion of Medical Technology and Effects on Outcomes and Expenditures (U01)


Letter of Intent Due: January 28, 2013

Proposal Due: February 28, 2013

This funding opportunity announcement (FOA) solicits U01 applications for economic research designed to explain the diffusion of health technologies both to understand trends in health outcomes and to improve the process leading from scientific advances to health benefits. Program Directors/Principal Investigators 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.

**Keywords:** conference support

Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality

AHRQ Conference Grant Program (R13)


Proposal Due: February 1, May 1, August 1, and November 1, 2013

The Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), announces its interest in supporting conferences through the AHRQ Conference Grant Program. AHRQ seeks to support conferences
that help to further its mission to improve the quality, safety, efficiency, and effectiveness of health care for all Americans. The types of conferences eligible for support include: 1) Research development - conferences where issues or challenges in the practice and delivery of health care are defined and a research agenda or strategy for studying them is developed; 2) Research design and methodology - conferences where methodological and technical issues of major importance in the field of health services research are addressed or new designs and methodologies are developed; 3) Dissemination and implementation conferences – conferences where research findings and evidence-based information and tools are summarized, communicated and used by organizations and individuals that have the capability to use the information to improve the outcomes, quality, access to, and cost and utilization of health care services; and/or, 4) Research training, infrastructure and career development - conferences where faculty, trainees and students are brought together with stakeholders to develop, share or disseminate research products, experiences, curricula, syllabi, training competencies.

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Biostatistics/Bioinformatics
Keywords: bioinformatics fellowship
Applied Public Health Informatics Fellowship
The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in collaboration with the Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists (CSTE), the Association of State Health Officials (ASTHO), the Public Health Informatics Institute (PHII), and the Association of Schools of Public Health (ASPH), has established this Fellowship to train recent graduates in the expanding field of applied public health informatics. The goal of the Fellowship is to provide a high quality training experience and to secure long-term career placement for Fellows at the state or local level. Participating Fellows will receive one year of on-the-job training at a local or state health agency under the guidance of experienced mentors.

**Epidemiology**

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**Keywords:** secondary dataset, heart, lung, and blood diseases, sleep disorders

**National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute**

**Secondary Dataset Analyses in Heart, Lung, and Blood Diseases and Sleep Disorders (R21)**

**Proposal Due:** February 20, 2013; February 20, 2014; February 20, 2015; February 19, 2016

The purpose of this funding opportunity is to stimulate well-focused secondary analyses of existing human datasets to test innovative hypotheses concerning the epidemiology, pathophysiology, prevention or treatment of diseases/conditions relevant to the NHLBI mission. Analyzing existing datasets in novel ways provides a cost-effective method to address research questions and generate preliminary data for subsequent research proposals.

**Gerontology**

**Keywords:** career award, Alzheimer’s Disease

**Rosalinde and Arthur Gilbert Foundation and Diane and Guilford Glazer Foundation**

**New Investigator Awards in Alzheimer's Disease**

http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml?id=397500026

**Proposal Due:** December 17, 2012

Funded by the Rosalinde and Arthur Gilbert Foundation and the Diane and Guilford Glazer Foundation and administered by the American Federation for Aging Research, the New Investigator Awards in Alzheimer's Disease program is designed to support research in areas in which more scientific investigation is needed to improve the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of Alzheimer's disease. The program also serves to encourage junior investigators in the United States and Israel to pursue research and academic careers in the neurosciences, and Alzheimer's disease in particular. Projects in basic and translational research related to Alzheimer's disease that are clinically relevant will be considered. Projects that focus on healthy brain aging also will be considered. Areas of research could, for example, include learning and memory, nutrition, exercise, and cardiovascular risk factors as they relate to the brain and the aging process. Applicants must be independent investigators with independent research space, and must be no more than ten years beyond the start of their postdoctoral research training as of July 1, 2013. (Exceptions to the ten-year rule may be requested for unusual circumstances.) The proposed research must be conducted at any type of not-for-profit setting in the United States or Israel.
Keywords: Alzheimer’s Disease, mild cognitive impairment, interventions
National Institute on Aging
Alzheimer's Disease Prevention Trials (R01)
Proposal Due: January 13, 2013
The objective of the Alzheimer’s Disease Prevention Trials initiative is to enable the testing of promising pharmacological and non-pharmacological interventions in asymptomatic at-risk individuals and/or individuals with Mild Cognitive Impairment (MCI) and in doing so identify avenues for prevention of Alzheimer’s disease (AD).

Environmental Health

Keywords: public outreach, Toxic Release Inventory
Environmental Protection Agency
Increasing Community Awareness and Use of Environmental Information through Education and Outreach
http://www.epa.gov/tri/rfp/index.html
Proposal Due: March 1, 2013
This notice announces the availability of funds and solicits proposals for projects that will provide key audiences with an opportunity to attain a greater understanding of Toxics Release Inventory (TRI) data and other related toxic chemical information. This announcement is consistent with the purpose of TRI as stated in the Emergency Planning and Community Right to Know Act (EPCRA) 42 U.S.C. 11023 which is to provide the public and local governments with information concerning potential chemical hazards present in their communities. EPA believes that an important way to promote greater awareness, understanding and use of the TRI data and other related information is to provide financial assistance for a project to increase awareness of that information among new audiences and through new avenues.

Keywords: Superfund, training, hazardous substance research
National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences
Superfund Hazardous Substance Research and Training Program (P42)
Letter of Intent Due: March 8, 2013
Proposal Due: April 10, 2013
The National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS) is announcing the continuation of the Superfund Hazardous Substance Research and Training Program, referred to as Superfund Research Program (SRP) Centers. SRP Center grants will support problem-based, solution-oriented research Centers that consist of multiple, integrated projects representing both the biomedical and environmental science disciplines; as well as cores tasked with administrative, community engagement, research translation, research support, and training functions. The scope of the SRP Centers is taken directly from the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986, and includes: (1) advanced techniques for the detection, assessment, and evaluation of the effect on
human health of hazardous substances; (2) methods to assess the risks to human health presented by hazardous substances; (3) methods and technologies to detect hazardous substances in the environment; and (4) basic biological, chemical, and physical methods to reduce the amount and toxicity of hazardous substances.