

## Weekly Funding Opportunities

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### FACULTY RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES

**CDC Scaling the National Diabetes Prevention Program in Underserved Areas** - This is an open competition funding opportunity announcement (FOA) that builds on successful strategies tested in previous FOAs to scale and sustain the National Diabetes Prevention Program (National DPP) for general populations. In this FOA, those strategies will be adapted for both general populations, Medicare beneficiaries and one or more priority populations in underserved areas. Through a five-year cooperative agreement, CDC will support national or regional organizations with multi-state networks to deliver a CDC-recognized lifestyle change program in underserved areas to adult populations with prediabetes or at high risk for type 2 diabetes. Applicants must identify affiliate delivery sites in at least three states and enroll at least 1000 priority population participants in the first year. Continued growth in sites and participants is expected in years 2-5. Applicants must demonstrate the organizational capacity and experience working with affiliate sites and other key partners to implement and deliver a CDC-recognized lifestyle change program or other evidence-based behavior change program, including documenting program outcomes. Applicants must have demonstrated specialized experience working with general populations, Medicare beneficiaries and one or more priority populations in underserved areas to deliver a CDC evidence based lifestyle change program or other behavioral change program. Priority populations include men, African-Americans, Asian Americans, Hispanics, American Indians, Alaska Natives, Pacific Islanders, and non-institutionalized people with visual impairments or physical disabilities. These populations are prioritized because they have been enrolled in lifestyle change program at lower rates despite relatively higher rates of type 2 diabetes. To the extent the general population as well as priority populations have access and are enrolling, a reduction in incidence, or new cases, of type 2 diabetes is anticipated. **Application Due Date: June 12, 2017.**

<https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppld=290159>

**CDC Enhancing Innovation and Capabilities of the Environmental Public Health Tracking Network** - The purpose of the Environmental Public Health Tracking Program is to provide information from a nationwide network of environmental health data to help drive actions to improve the health of communities. The information is shared via a network of people and the Environmental Public Health Tracking Network, a web-based system of integrated health and environmental data with components at the national, state, and local levels. The Tracking Program will build on existing state and local public health capacity and expertise in environmental health surveillance to empower public health practitioners, healthcare providers, community members, policy members, and others to make information-driven decisions that affect their health. **Application Due Date: May 31, 2017.**

<https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppld=292822>

**Health Information Technology (IT) to Improve Health Care Quality and Outcomes (R21)** - This FOA issued by AHRQ invites grant applications for funding to conduct exploratory and developmental research grants (R21) for projects in the early and conceptual stages of development that will contribute to the evidence base of how health information technology (IT) improves health care quality and outcomes. **Application Due Date: Standard dates apply.** <https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-17-246.html>

**Community Approaches to Reducing Sexually Transmitted Diseases (CARS)** - The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the availability of Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 funds for a cooperative agreement with organizations with demonstrated experience and capacity of implementing community engagement methods (e.g. community-based participatory research) and multi-sector partnerships to promote personal health, advance community wellness, influence health behavior and practices, and reduce STI disparities. The new FOA provides support in five focus areas. These focus areas are: (1) implementation of community engagement methods (e.g. community-based participatory research) to achieve health equity; (2) identification and implementation of systems and environmental change strategies that (a) promote personal health and support healthy behaviors and (b) facilitate community-clinical linkages to build support for interventions to prevent and reduce STI disparities; (3) enhancement and sustainability of partnerships; (4) support for communication strategies to promote STD program successes and leverage additional resources for STI control and prevention; and (5) evaluation of the efficacy of this approach and intervention implementation. **Application Due Date: May 2, 2017.** <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppld=290103>

**NSF Decision, Risk and Management Sciences** -This program supports scientific research directed at increasing the understanding and effectiveness of decision making by individuals, groups, organizations, and society. Disciplinary and interdisciplinary research, doctoral dissertation research improvement grants (DDRIGs), and workshops are funded in the areas of judgment and decision making; decision analysis and decision aids; risk analysis, perception, and communication; societal and public policy decision making; management science and organizational design. The program also supports small grants that are time-critical (Rapid Response Research - RAPID) and small grants that are high-risk and of a potentially transformative nature (Early-Concept Grants for Exploratory Research - EAGER).

**Application Due Date: August 18, 2017.**

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**NSF Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU)** - The REU program supports active research participation by undergraduate students in any of the areas of research funded by the National Science Foundation. REU projects involve students in meaningful ways in ongoing research programs or in research projects specifically designed for the REU program. This solicitation features two mechanisms for support of student research: (1) REU Sites are based on independent proposals to initiate and conduct projects that engage a number of students in research. REU Sites may be based in a single discipline or academic department or may offer interdisciplinary or multi-department research opportunities with a coherent intellectual theme. Proposals with an international dimension are welcome. (2) REU Supplements may be included as a component of proposals for new or renewal NSF grants or cooperative agreements or may be requested for ongoing NSF-funded research projects. Undergraduate student participants in either REU Sites or REU Supplements must be U.S. citizens, U.S. nationals, or permanent residents of the United States. **Application Due Date: August 23, 2017.**

[https://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm\\_summ.jsp?pims\\_id=5517&org=NSF&sel\\_org=NSF&from=fund](https://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=5517&org=NSF&sel_org=NSF&from=fund)

**NSF Methodology, Measurement, and Statistics (MMS) Program** - The MMS Program is an interdisciplinary program in the Directorate for Social, Behavioral, and Economic Sciences that supports the development of innovative, analytical, and statistical methods and models for those sciences. MMS seeks proposals that are methodologically innovative, grounded in theory, and have potential utility for multiple fields within the social and behavioral sciences. As part of its larger portfolio, the MMS Program partners with a consortium of federal statistical agencies to support research proposals that further the development of new and innovative approaches to surveys and to the analysis of survey

data. **Application Due Date: August 31, 2017.**

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**Tobacco Centers of Regulatory Science for Research Relevant to the Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act (U54)** - The purpose of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to invite applications for Tobacco Centers of Regulatory Science (TCORS) to support biomedical and behavioral research that will provide scientific data to inform regulation of tobacco products to protect public health. Research Projects must address the research priorities related to the regulatory authority of the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) Center for Tobacco Products (CTP). The awards under this FOA will be administered by NIH using funds that have been made available through FDA CTP and the Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act (P.L. 111-31). Research results from this FOA are expected to generate findings and data that are directly relevant in informing the FDA's regulation of the manufacture, distribution, and marketing of tobacco products to protect public health. Companion Funding Opportunity is [RFA-OD-17-002, U54](#) Specialized Center- Cooperative Agreements. **Application Due Date(s): July, 19, 2017.** <https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-OD-17-006.html>

**Mechanisms and Consequences of Sleep Disparities in the U.S. (R21)** - The purpose of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to promote exploratory and developmental research to understand the underlying mechanisms of sleep deficiencies among health disparity populations and how sleep deficiencies may lead to disparities in health outcomes. Companion Funding Opportunity is [PAR-17-234, R01](#) Research Project Grant. Letter of Intent Due Date(s): 30 days prior to the application due date.

**Application Due Date(s): July 11, 2017, July 11, 2018, July 11, 2019.**

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-17-235.html>

**American Physical Therapy Association Health Policy and Administration Grant Program** - The purpose of the Section Health Policy and Administration Grant Program is to stimulate, encourage and support research activities that enhance the body of knowledge related to health policy, clinical administration, global health, and the use of technology in physical therapy. The grants provide funding to assist new physical therapist investigators, or established investigators who are embarking on a new research agenda in these areas of physical therapist practice, leadership, administration, or education. Through this grant program, the Section hopes to encourage the development of proposals that will seek financial support from external agencies. 1-2 research grant awards of up to \$15,000 are available to Section members to assist with a 1-year research study that investigates a question or questions of importance to health policy or clinical administration. Grants may be renewable (no-cost extension) for up to 1 year. **Application Due Date: December 31, 2017.** <http://www.apta.org/page/HPAGrant>

**Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF) Strategic Research Agreements** - JDRF's Strategic Research Agreements were created to provide research funding for single or multiple investigators to address critical gaps and challenges and potential breakthroughs in Type 1 diabetes research. The Strategic Research Agreement is a partnership between Investigator(s) and JDRF Scientists to help address roadblocks and accelerate JDRF's mission through support of cutting-edge scientific investigation. Further, this mechanism embodies cooperative development of a research plan, interim quarterly reporting on milestones and interaction with JDRF scientists prior to and during the award period. **Application Due Date: Concept Papers Due by August 1, 2017.**

<http://grantcenter.jdrf.org/information-for-applicants/grant-mechanism-descriptions/strategic-research-agreements/>

**Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems V (CAHPS V) (U18)** - The purpose of this RFA is to continue the work of the Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems (CAHPS) program which AHRQ began in 1995. For the past 21 years, the CAHPS team -- CAHPS grantees, the CAHPS Survey User Network, and AHRQ CAHPS staff -- has advanced the science of patients' experience, particularly through the development of CAHPS surveys and related materials that allow consumers to assess their quality-related experiences with their health plans, providers, and health care facility settings. The CAHPS surveys are now broadly used by governmental agencies and organizations such as the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), other health care purchasers, and the National Committee for Quality Assurance for a variety of different purposes such as value-based purchasing, public reporting, and accreditation. Specifically, this RFA solicits research to be performed within five broad areas: a) Advancing the science of consumer assessment of patient experience; b) Continued innovation to ensure relevance to health services delivery and survey best practices; c) Reporting patient experience data; d) Quality improvement (QI) studies; and e) Developing internal and external program communication strategies. **Application Due Date: May 26, 2017.**  
<https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-HS-17-010.html>

**Functional Wellness in HIV: Maximizing the Treatment Cascade (R21)** - The National Institute of Nursing Research (NINR) seeks to promote the development of HIV interventions which target opportunities to improve the delivery of healthcare across the continuum of care for persons infected with HIV. Companion Funding Opportunity is [PA-15-133](#), R01 Research Project Grant. **Application Due Date(s): Standard dates apply.** <https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-15-134.html>

**AHRQ Health Services Research Demonstration and Dissemination Grants (R18)** - 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 priority research interests of AHRQ. **Application Due Date(s): Standard dates apply.** <https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-14-290.html>

**AHRQ Health Services Research Projects (R01)** - 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 priority research interests of AHRQ. **Application Due Date(s): Standard dates apply.** <https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-14-291.html>

**AHRQ Small Research Grant Program (R03)** - This FOA encourages Small Research Grant (R03) applications, and expresses AHRQ priority areas of interest for ongoing small research projects. The R03 grant mechanism supports different types of health services research 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. **Application Due Date(s): Standard dates apply.** <https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-15-147.html>

**William T. Grant Foundation Scholars Program** - The program supports career development for promising early-career researchers. The program funds five-year research and mentoring plans that significantly expand junior researchers' expertise in new disciplines, methods, and content areas. The Foundation recognizes that early-career researchers are rarely given incentives or support to take such

risks, so this award includes a mentoring component, as well as an emphasis on community and collaboration. **Application Due Date: July 6, 2017.** <http://wtgrantfoundation.org/grants/william-t-grant-scholars-program>

**Foundation for Women's Wellness (FWW) Research Awards** - FWW Research Awards target early funding for small, short-term studies with promise for improving medical knowledge regarding women's health. FWW does not fund sociological or population-related research. Applications should only be for studies that are exploring basic, clinical or epidemiological lines of inquiry. Research should be related to one of FWW's priority areas which include: cardiovascular disease, leading female cancers, the role of hormones in disease and stage-of-life health issues such as pregnancy and menopause, diseases or health concerns that disproportionately afflict women, and exploration/clarification of gender differences related to the aforementioned topics. Research may also address quality of life concerns. FWW favors research proposals that have direct clinical application in preventing and/or treating disease; studies with the promise of yielding results that will attract larger sources of funding for advancing study; and influencing long-term research and clinical care directions in its field. FWW favors focused, quality study design. **Application Due Date: June 20, 2017.** <http://thefww.org/research-awards/>

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**USDA Improving Rural Economies** - The USDA's Rural Business-Cooperative Service is now accepting applications for the 2017 Rural Cooperative Development Grant (RCDG) program to improve the economic conditions of rural areas. A robust economy can help support and sustain rural health care services and improve residents' quality of life. RCDG provides up to \$200,000 for nonprofit organizations or colleges and universities to assist in the startup, expansion, or improvement of rural cooperatives and other mutually-owned businesses that sell products and services such as telecommunications, credit and financial services, housing, and food. **Application Due Date: May 26, 2017.** <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2017/03/22/2017-05600/inviting-applications-for-rural-cooperative-development-grants>

**Brookdale Foundation Group Relatives As Parents Program** – As the nation continues to grapple with the toll of the opioid abuse epidemic, particularly in rural areas, more grandparents are raising their children. The Brookdale Foundation group has issued a request for proposals (RFP) for its Relatives as Parents Program (RAPP). Brookdale will select up to 15 programs to receive a seed grant of \$15,000 and ongoing technical assistance to create or expand support services to grandparents and other relatives raising children. Any not-for-profit organization can apply for the program, including aging service providers, county agencies, and health care providers. For additional information, contact Melinda Perez-Porter, RAPP Director, at [mpp@brookdalefoundation.org](mailto:mpp@brookdalefoundation.org). **Application Due Date: June 15, 2017.** <http://www.brookdalefoundation.net/RAPP/rapp.html>

**RWJF Raising Places: Building Child-Centered Communities** - Raising Places catalyzes local momentum for cross-sector collaboration, engaging diverse partners to build healthier communities where all children and their families can thrive. Through Raising Places, Greater Good Studio will offer a catalytic process—bringing together diverse stakeholders in communities primed to move from ideas to action and to create long-term, sustainable change. Through this process, communities will explore both symptoms and root causes of local challenges, identify leverage points, and create tangible solutions that address these challenges at different levels and types of impact. The specific outcomes of our work together will vary in each community, based on the local interpretation of “healthy, child-centered community” and the challenges they want to prioritize. **Application Due Date: Letters of Intent Due by March 31, 2017.** [http://www.rwjf.org/en/library/funding-opportunities/2017/raising-places-building-child-centered-communities.html?rid=NULGNkhpDb1n\\_eQZcM9TMZKztYU0pDnJktYkqV5p7ck&et\\_cid=848809](http://www.rwjf.org/en/library/funding-opportunities/2017/raising-places-building-child-centered-communities.html?rid=NULGNkhpDb1n_eQZcM9TMZKztYU0pDnJktYkqV5p7ck&et_cid=848809)