ARTS, HUMANITIES AND INTERNATIONAL

Access to Justice for the Juvenile Offender Population: Opportunities for Judicial and Cultural Change - Phase II

Department of State (State), Bureau of International Narcotics-Law Enforcement

Notice seeking applications to build upon the advances made during the project “Access to Justice for the Juvenile Criminal Population: Opportunities for Judicial and Cultural Change,” by expanding training and outreach efforts to populations beyond the scope of the initial award, and through the creation of new protocols and training to guide the implementation of restorative justice processes for particularly vulnerable populations.

Questions are due May 17, 2017. Applications are due June 16, 2017. Approximately $635,000 is available.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Emergency Nutrition and WASH Rapid Response Capacity in Ethiopia

United States Agency for International Development (USAID)

Notice seeking applications supporting efforts in Ethiopia for targeted emergency nutrition and well-coordinated emergency water, sanitation and hygiene activities countrywide to support populations affected by unpredictable, rapid onset, shocks or localized emergencies that arise over the course of the award.

Applications are due by May 16, 2017. Approximately $37 million is available to support one award.

LINKS: Grants.gov

English Language Teacher Training Project

Department of State (State), Embassy of the United States of America, Tokyo, Japan

Notice seeking applications to support English teacher training programs in Japan to improve the communicative English language teaching skills of Japanese teachers of English, with the ultimate goal of promoting Japanese student exchange to the United States by increasing Japanese students' English language communication ability and promoting early exposure to the United States in the classroom. Funds support efforts to provide: a series of two-to-three-day intensive seminars for groups of Japanese elementary and secondary school teachers; on-demand workshops by English Language Specialists as requested by local schools or Boards of Education; and a micro-grant program for alumni of U.S. Embassy-sponsored English teacher training programs.

Applications are due by May 26, 2017. Approximately $320,000 is available to support one award.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Expanding Use of Blended Finance Solutions to Support USAID Priorities

United States Agency for International Development (USAID)

Notice seeking expressions of interest for partners to research, design, develop, test, and evaluate approaches for quickly and efficiently providing the development community (including USAID missions and operating units) and investors with access to the diverse range of expertise or partnerships (investor and/or implementer) required to design, deploy, and evaluate appropriate blended capital approaches and/or product given a specific challenge or opportunity identified across the different regions and sectors in which USAID operates.

Expressions of interest are due May 10, 2017. The number of awards could vary.

LINKS: Grants.gov
Supporting Anti-Torture Efforts in Tunisia

Department of State (State), Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor (DRL)

Notice seeking applications to support Tunisia’s existing efforts in the prevention of torture by providing technical assistance and management systems, and engaging networks of key stakeholders and experts in anti-torture efforts. The proposed program also must address how it will leverage existing anti-torture initiatives in Tunisia and should clearly describe how they will engage Tunisian experts and institutional partners.

Applications are due by June 15, 2017. Approximately $900,000 is available to support one to two awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Advisory Committee on Private International Law (ACPIL): Public Meeting on Micro-, Small-, and Medium Sized Enterprises

Department of State (State)

Notice announcing a teleconference of the Micro-, Small-, and Medium sized enterprises (MSMEs) study group of the Advisory Committee on Private International Law to discuss the next session of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law Working Group I-MSME scheduled for May 1-9 in New York.

The meeting will be held Friday April 28, from 10 am to 12:00 pm ET via teleconference.

LINKS: Federal Register

Notice of Meeting

Institute of Peace (Institute of Peace)

Notice announcing a meeting of the United States Institute of Peace (USIP) Board. Agenda items include: Approval of Minutes of the One Hundred and Sixty First Meeting of the Board of Directors; Chairman's Report; Vice Chairman's Report; President's Report; Reports from USIP Board Committees; Afghanistan Trip Report; and USIP/Military Partnership Report.

The meeting will be held Friday, April 21, 2017 from 10:00 am-2:00 pm ET at 2301 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC.

LINKS: Federal Register

Nominations for Coordinating Lead Authors, Lead Authors, or Review Editors on the Second and Third Special Reports to be Undertaken by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change During the Sixth Assessment Report (AR6) Cycle

Department of State (State)

Notice seeking nominations for U.S. scientists with requisite expertise to serve as Coordinating Lead Authors, Lead Authors, or Review Editors on the second and third Special Reports to be undertaken by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change during the Sixth Assessment Report cycle. Nominees must prepare comprehensive and up-to-date assessments of policy-relevant scientific, technical, and socio-economic information for understanding the scientific basis of climate change, potential impacts, and options for mitigation and adaptation.

Nominations will close on May 15th, 2017.

LINKS: Federal Register, Solicitation
BLM CA Cultural and Archaeological Resources, California State Office Statewide Announcement

Department of the Interior (Interior), Bureau of Land Management (BLM)

Notice seeking applications supporting BLM CA partnership with a recipient that has multiple areas of expertise in conducting cultural and archaeological resource inventories, collections management, resource monitoring, research, vulnerability assessments, and sensitivity modeling for cultural and archaeological resources for the BLM public lands across the entire state.

Applications are due June 19, 2017. Approximately $500,000 is available to support up to 10 awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Humanities Initiatives

National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH), Division of Education Programs

Notice seeking applications to strengthen the teaching and study of the humanities, in subjects such as history, philosophy, literature, religion, and the interpretation of the arts. These grants may be used to enhance existing humanities programs, resources, or courses, or to develop new ones.

Applications are due June 22, 2017. Applicants may be awarded up to 100,000. Minority-serving institutions (MSIs) are eligible.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Increasing Women's Political Participation in Kuwait

Department of State (State), Bureau of Near Eastern Affairs (NEA)

Notice seeking applications to support greater inclusion of Kuwaiti women in public life and to increase their civic participation. This opportunity aims to advance U.S. foreign policy by encouraging inclusive governance through building the leadership and technical capacity of women in government and civil society; addressing persistent barriers that prevent women from accessing decision-making processes; and facilitating constructive engagement and collaboration between female civic actors and government officials.

Applications are due June 7, 2017. Approximately $1 million is available to support one award.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

ServingLife

United States Agency for International Development (USAID)

Notice seeking applications supporting Ukraine USAID-Kiev ServingLife activities to reduce HIV, tuberculosis (TB), and Hepatitis C (HCV) transmission.

Applications are due June 5, 2017. Approximately $10 million is available to support one award.

LINKS: Grants.gov
Good Neighbor Environmental Board

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

Notice announcing a teleconference of the EPA Good Neighbor Environmental Board. The purpose of the meeting is to examining environmental protection and security issues in the U.S.—Mexico border region.

The teleconference will be held May 11, 2017 from noon to 4:00 pm ET. Contact Mark Joyce for access information.

LINKS: Federal Register

U.S. Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy; Notice of Meeting

Department of State (State)

Notice announcing that the U.S. Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy will hold a public meeting. The meeting will be on “Echo Chambers, Artificial Intelligence, and Bot-Driven Disinformation: New Challenges in Public Diplomacy.” This session will examine how public diplomacy practitioners need to adjust strategies and tactics for the modern information ecosystem, including understanding echo chambers, automated disinformation, algorithmic bias, and the proliferation and diversity of foreign propaganda efforts.

The meeting will occur on May 9, 2017 from 10:30 am until 12:30 pm ET at George Washington University's Elliot School for International Affairs, Lindner Commons, 1957 E Street NW, Washington, DC.

LINKS: Federal Register

EDUCATION and ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Agriculture and Food Research Initiative - Resilient Agroecosystems in a Changing Climate Challenge Area

United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA)

Notice seeking applications to sustainably increase agricultural productivity and the availability and accessibility of safe and nutritious food. In FY 2017, the Agriculture and Food Research Initiative - Resilient Agroecosystems is a Changing Climate (AFRI RACC) Challenge Area will invest in one priority area, Climate, Land Use, and Land Management.

Applications are due July 13, 2017. Approximately $6.3 million is available.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

American Indian and Alaska Native Early Head Start Expansion

Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) , Office of Head Start (OHS)

Notice seeking applications from organizations to provide American Indian and Alaska Native Early Head Start Expansion services to infants, toddlers, pregnant women, and their families. Funds will be available to provide American Indian and Alaska Native Early Head Start Expansion program services to eligible infants, toddlers, pregnant women, and their families.

Applications are due June 16, 2017. Approximately $5.5 million is available to support 10 awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation
Board of Regents, Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences; Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting

Department of Defense (Defense), Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness

Notice announcing a meeting of the Board of Regents, Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences. Agenda items include: review of the minutes from the Board meeting held on February 2, 2017; recommendations regarding the awarding of post-baccalaureate degrees; recommendations regarding the approval of faculty appointments and promotions; and recommendations regarding award nominations.

The meeting will be held Friday, May 19, 2017 from 8:00 am to 10:15 am ET at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, 4301 Jones Bridge Road, Everett Alvarez Jr. Board of Regents Room (D3001), Bethesda, Maryland.

LINKS: Federal Register

Multistakeholder Process on Internet of Things Security Upgradability and Patching

Department of Commerce (Commerce), National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA)

Notice announcing a multistakeholder process on Internet of Things Security Upgradability and Patching to share progress from NTIA working groups and hear feedback from the broader stakeholder community.

The meeting will be held April 26, 2017, from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm ET at the American Institute of Architects, 1735 New York Ave. NW., Washington, DC

LINKS: Federal Register

Office of Hazardous Materials Safety; Notice of Virtual Public Meeting

Department of Transportation (DOT), Federal Aviation Administration (FAA); Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA)

Notice announcing a joint virtual meeting of the FAA and PHMSA Offices of Hazardous Materials Safety. The meeting will be to prepare for the International Civil Aviation Organization's Dangerous Goods Panel later this month.

The virtual public meeting will be held on Thursday, April 20, 2017 from 9 am until 12 pm, ET

LINKS: Federal Register

Open Meeting of the Federal Advisory Committee on Insurance

Department of the Treasury (Treasury), Federal Insurance Office (FIO)

Notice announcing a meeting of the Federal Advisory Committee on Insurance. In this meeting, the Committee will discuss a number of issues, including: The cyber insurance market; the effect of technological advances on insurers' corporate strategy; and an analysis of insurer infrastructure investment practices.

The meeting will be held May 11, 2017 from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm ET at the Cash Room, Department of the Treasury, 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC. Those who plan to attend the meeting must register online at: http://www.cvent.com/d/d5qplv and fill out the secure online registration form by May 2, 2017.

LINKS: Federal Register, Agency Site
OSEP: Personnel Development to Improve Services and Results for Children with Disabilities: Early Childhood Personnel Center CFDA Number 84.325B

Department of Education (Education), Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS)

Notice seeking applications for a cooperative agreement to establish and operate a national Early Childhood Personnel Center (Center) to improve the quality of personnel who serve young children with disabilities and their families. The Center will provide TA to State programs on implementing a high-quality CSPD. The Center will also provide to the faculty of institutions of higher education (IHEs) TA on programs of study for providing high-quality services and inclusive programs for young children with disabilities and their families.

Applications are due June 5, 2017. Approximately $2 million is available to support one award.

LINKS: Federal Register, Grants.gov

OSEP: Technical Assistance and Dissemination to Improve Services and Results for Children with Disabilities: Early Childhood Systems Technical Assistance Center CFDA Number 84.326P

Department of Education (Education), Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS)

Notice seeking applications for a cooperative agreement to establish and operate a national Early Childhood Systems Technical Assistance Center (Center). The Center will provide TA to States to enable them to maintain high-quality systems with implementation supports to implement Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) consistent with its requirements and to provide high-quality IDEA services for young children with disabilities and their families.

Applications are due June 5, 2017. Approximately $3.4 million is available to support one award.

LINKS: Federal Register, Grants.gov

Small Business Transportation Resource Center-NE Region

Department of Transportation (DOT), Office of Small & Disadvantaged Utilization (OSDU)

Notice seeking proposals to provide outreach to the small business community in their designated region and provide financial and technical assistance, business training programs, business assessment, management training, counseling, marketing and outreach, and the dissemination of information, to encourage and assist small businesses to become better prepared to compete for, obtain, and manage DOT funded transportation-related contracts and subcontracts at the federal, state and local levels.

Proposals are due May 19, 2017. Up to $224,000 per award is available. Nonprofits are eligible.

LINKS: Grants.gov

SNAP Process and Technology Improvement Grants

United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food and Nutrition Service (FNS)

Notice seeking applications supporting Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). The program is to support efforts by State agencies and their community-based and faith-based partners to develop and implement: Simple SNAP application and eligibility determination systems; or Measures to improve access to SNAP benefits by eligible applicants.

Applications are due June 19, 2017. Approximately $5 million is available to support 6 to 11 awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov
Supporting Effective Educator Development Program CFDA Number 84.423A

Department of Education (Education), Office of Innovation and Improvement (OII)

Notice seeking applications to provide funding to increase the number of highly effective educators by supporting the implementation of Evidence-Based practices that prepare, develop, or enhance educators. These grants will allow eligible entities to develop, expand, and evaluate practices that can serve as models that can be sustained and disseminated.

Notices of intent are due May 5, 2017. Applications are due June 19, 2017. Approximately $42 million is available to support five to eight awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Federal Register

Pesticide Program Dialogue Committee; Notice of Public Meeting

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

Notice announcing a meeting of the EPA’s Pesticide Program Dialogue Committee (PPDC). This meeting provides advice and recommendations to the EPA Administrator on issues associated with pesticide regulatory development and reform initiatives, evolving public policy and program implementation issues, and science issues associated with evaluating and reducing risks from use of pesticides.

The meeting will be held May 3, 2017 from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm and May 4, 2017 9:00 am to noon ET at 1 Potomac Yard South, 2777 S. Crystal Drive, Arlington, VA.

LINKS: Federal Register

HEALTH and MENTAL HEALTH

Clinical Studies of Mental Illness Not Involving Clinical Trials (Collaborative R01)

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH)

Notice seeking applications supporting collaborative clinical studies, not involving treatment development, efficacy, or effectiveness trials. Applications should require two or more sites to complete the study, with a shared protocol across the sites and are organized as such in order to increase sample size, accelerate recruitment, or increase sample diversity and representation. Focus areas include: mental health genetics, biomarker studies, and studies of mental illnesses (e.g., psychopathology, neurodevelopmental trajectories of psychopathology) also when associated with HIV/AIDS.

Applications are accepted annually on February 5, June 5, and October 5 until May 8, 2020. Multiple awards are anticipated.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

CDC/HRSA Advisory Committee on HIV, Viral Hepatitis and STD Prevention and Treatment

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

Notice announcing a meeting of the Advisory Committee on HIV, Viral Hepatitis and STD Prevention and Treatment. Agenda items include: HIV transmission risk in the context of viral suppression and antiretroviral therapy use; Update on Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP) utilization; Vulnerable youth at risk for HIV, STDs, hepatitis, substance use and other health outcomes; Eliminating hepatitis B and hepatitis C as public health threats in the United States—Setting Goals and Taking Action; and Updates from Workgroups.

The meeting will be held 8:30 am-5:00 pm, ET, May 10, 2017; and 8:30 am-3:00 pm, ET, May 11, 2017 at the CDC Corporate Square, Building 8, Conference Room 1-ABC, 8 Corporate Boulevard, Atlanta, Georgia.

LINKS: Federal Register
Healthcare Infection Control Practices Advisory Committee (HICPAC)

Notice announcing a teleconference meeting of the National Center for Emerging and Zoonotic Infectious Diseases Healthcare Infection Control Practices Advisory Committee. The agenda will consist of a follow-up discussion on the Draft Recommendation Update for Chlorhexidine Impregnated Dressings.

The meeting will be held from 1:00 pm-2:30 pm, ET, May 5, 2017. Preregistration is required.

LINKS: Federal Register, Agency Site

Meeting of the National Vaccine Advisory Committee

Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Vaccine Program Office

Notice announcing a meeting of the National Vaccine Advisory Committee (NVAC) to receive an update on the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services' report on vaccine innovation to Congress in response to the 21st Century Cures Act; presentations on immunization information systems and inter-jurisdictional data exchange; and an update on vaccine confidence-related projects.

The meeting will be held on June 6, 2017 and June 7, 2017 at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Hubert H. Humphrey Building, Great Hall, 200 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC. Exact times will be posted as soon as they become available on the NVAC Web site at http://www.hhs.gov/nvpo/nvac/meetings/index.html

LINKS: Federal Register

Meeting of the Presidential Advisory Council on Combating Antibiotic-Resistant Bacteria

Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health (OASH)

Notice announcing a meeting of the Presidential Advisory Council on Combating Antibiotic-Resistant Bacteria. Meeting will discuss the topic of Infection Prevention and Control for Animal Health; and the three working groups on Incentives for Diagnostics, Therapeutics/Anti-Infectives, and Vaccines, will report their preliminary findings.

The meeting will be held in-person and via webinar May 3, 2017 from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm ET, and May 4, 2017 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm ET at U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Hubert H. Humphrey Building, Great Hall, 200 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC. In-person attendees must pre-register by April 25, 2017 at: http://www.hhs.gov/ash/carb/. Information on participating via webinar listed in the notice.

LINKS: Federal Register, Council's Site

CDC Undergraduate Public Health Scholars Program (CUPS): A Public Health Experience to Expose Undergraduate and Graduate Students to Minority Health, Public Health and Health Professions

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

Notice seeking applications supporting undergraduate and graduate students increase the diversity of the public health workforce, improve the representation of underrepresented populations in public health, and increase the quality of public health services nationally.

Requested letters of intent are due May 19, 2017. Applications are due June 19, 2017. Approximately $13.75 million is available to support four awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov
Developing New Clinical Decision Support to Disseminate and Implement Evidence-Based Research Findings (R18)

Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

Notice seeking applications for developing new clinical decision support (CDS) to facilitate the dissemination and implementation of evidence-based research findings. The purpose is to develop new, reliable, valid, and usable CDS from evidence-based research findings and then demonstrate its effectiveness to improve care in clinical practice.

Applications are due annually on January 25, May 25, and September 25.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

NIAMS Rheumatic Diseases Research Resource-based Centers (P30)

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases (NIAMS)

Notice seeking applications for the National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases (NIAMS) Resource-based Centers Program (P30) for rheumatic diseases research areas within its mission. The Resource-based Centers will provide critical research infrastructure, shared facilities, services, and/or resources to groups of investigators conducting research on rheumatic diseases, enabling them to conduct their independently-funded individual and/or collaborative research projects more efficiently and/or more effectively, with the broad overall goal of accelerating, enriching, and enhancing the effectiveness of ongoing basic, translational, and clinical research and promoting new research within the NIAMS mission.

Requested letters of intent requested 30 days prior to application deadline. Applications are due October 3, 2017. Up to $1.5 million is available to support three awards.

Limited Submission: Only one application per institution is allowed.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

NICHD Exploratory-Developmental Research Grant (R21)

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

Notice seeking applications for exploratory and developmental research projects that fall within the NICHD mission by providing support for the early and conceptual stages of these projects. These studies may involve considerable risk but may lead to a breakthrough in a particular area, or to the development of novel techniques, agents, methodologies, models, or applications that could have a major impact on a field of biomedical, behavioral, or clinical research.

Applications are due annually on February 16, June 16, October 16 through June 2020.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

NIH Director's Early Independence Awards (DP5)

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

Notice seeking applications to support exceptional investigators who wish to pursue independent research directly after completion of their terminal doctoral/research degree or clinical residency, thereby forgoing the traditional post-doctoral training period and accelerating their entry into an independent research career.

Requested letters of intent are due August 22, 2017. Applications are due September 22, 2017. Approximately $4 million is available to support 10 awards.

Limited Submission: Only up to two applications per institution are allowed

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation
NIH Director's New Innovator Award Program (DP2)

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

Notice seeking applications for the NIH Director’s New Innovator Award. This award is designed specifically to support unusually creative investigators with highly innovative research ideas at an early stage of their career when they may lack the preliminary data required for an R01 grant application. It supports a small number of early stage investigators of exceptional creativity who propose bold and highly innovative new research approaches that have the potential to produce a major impact on broad, important problems in biomedical and behavioral research.

Applications are due September 8, 2017. Approximately $80 million is available to support 33 awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

NIH Director's Pioneer Award Program (DP1)

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

Notice seeking applications for the NIH Directors Pioneer Award. This award complements NIH's traditional, investigator-initiated grant programs by supporting individual scientists of exceptional creativity who propose pioneering and possibly transforming approaches to addressing major biomedical or behavioral challenges that have the potential to produce an unusually high impact on enhancing health, lengthening life, and reducing illness and disability. To be considered pioneering, the proposed research must reflect substantially different scientific directions from those already being pursued in the investigators research program or elsewhere.

Applications are due September 1, 2017. Approximately $8 million is available to support seven awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Grants.gov

NIH Director's Transformative Research Awards (R01)

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

Notice seeking applications supporting individual scientists or groups of scientists proposing groundbreaking, exceptionally innovative, original and/or unconventional research with the potential to create new scientific paradigms, establish entirely new and improved clinical approaches, or develop transformative technologies.

Applications are due September 15, 2017. Approximately $8 million is available to support seven awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

PsychENCODE: Non-coding Functional Elements in the Human Brain and their Role in the Development of Psychiatric Disorders (Collaborative U01 and U01)

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH)

Notice seeking applications supporting research in the discovery and characterization of the full spectrum of human-specific non-coding functional genomic elements across brain regions, cell types, and developmental time periods to elucidate their role(s) in the molecular pathophysiology of mental illness.

Requested letters of intent are due 30 days prior to applications. Applications are due July 6, 2017, June 6, 2018, and June 6, 2019. Funding amount and number of awards are contingent upon appropriations.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation (Collaborative U01), Solicitation (U01)
Scaling Established Clinical Decision Support to Facilitate the Dissemination and Implementation of Evidence-Based Research Findings (R18)

Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

Notice seeking applications for research projects to scale and spread existing clinical decision support (CDS) to facilitate the dissemination and implementation of evidence-based research findings into clinical practice.

Applications are due annually on January 25, May 25, and September 25.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

National Eye Institute; Notice of Meeting

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Eye Institute (NEI)

Notice announcing the open portion of the National Advisory Eye Council committee meeting. Following opening remarks by the Director, NEI, there will be presentations by the staff of the Institute and discussions concerning Institute programs.

The meeting will occur on June 15, 2017 from 8:30 am to 1:00 pm at the National Eye Institute, NIH, 5635 Fishers Lane, Terrace Level Conference Rooms, Rockville, MD.

LINKS: Federal Register

National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders; Notice of Meeting

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders (NIDCD)

Notice announcing a meeting of NIDCD. The open portion of this meeting will discuss staff reports on divisional, programmatic, and special activities.

The meeting will be held May 19, 2017 from 9:40 am to 2:00 pm ET at 31 Center Drive, Bethesda, MD.

LINKS: Federal Register

Office of the Secretary; Notice of Meetings

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

Notice announcing a meeting of the Task Force on Research Specific to Pregnant Women and Lactating Women.

The meeting will be held August 21, 2017 and August 22, 2017 from 8:00 am to 5:30 pm ET at 31 Center Drive, Bethesda, MD.

LINKS: Federal Register

Oncologic Drugs Advisory Committee; Notice of Meeting; Establishment of a Public Docket; Request for Comments

Food and Drug Administration (FDA), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

Notice announcing a meeting of the Oncologic Drugs Advisory Committee (ODAC). The committee will discuss new drug application (NDA) 208051, for neratinib maleate, an application submitted by Puma Biotechnology.

The meeting will be held May 24, 2017 from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm ET at 10903 New Hampshire Ave., Silver Spring, MD.

LINKS: Federal Register
Second Annual Workshop on Clinical Outcome Assessments in Cancer Clinical Trials; Public Workshop

Food and Drug Administration (FDA), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

Notice announcing a meeting of the Critical Path Institute's (C-Path) Patient-Reported Outcome (PRO) Consortium. The purpose of the public workshop is to provide a forum for collaborative multidisciplinary discussion to identify opportunities and address challenges for clinical outcome assessments, particularly patient-reported outcome (PRO) assessments, in oncology drug development.

The meeting will be held April 25, 2017 from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm ET at 7400 Wisconsin Ave., Bethesda, MD.

LINKS: Federal Register

Training Health Care Providers on Pain Management and Safe Use of Opioid Analgesics-Exploring the Path Forward; Public Workshop; Request for Comments

Food and Drug Administration (FDA), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

Notice announcing a workshop of the role that health care provider training plays, within the broader context of ongoing activities, to improve pain management and the safe use of opioids.

The workshop will be held May 9, 2017 and May 10, 2017 8:30 am to 5:00 pm ET at 8777 Georgia Ave., Silver Spring, MD.

LINKS: Federal Register

National Preparedness and Response Science Board; Call for Nominees

Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Office of the Secretary

Notice seeking applications from qualified individuals for consideration for membership on the National Preparedness and Response Science Board (NPRSB). NPRSB shall advise the secretary on current and future trends, challenges, and opportunities presented by advances in biological and life sciences, biotechnology, and genetic engineering with respect to threats posed by naturally occurring infectious diseases and chemical, biological, radiological, and nuclear agents.

Applications are due June 7, 2017.

LINKS: Federal Register, Agency Site

Request for Information on Input on Opportunities of Engagement of External Stakeholders with the “Illuminating the Druggable Genome” (IDG) Program

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

Notice seeking comments on interest and opportunities of engagement with the Illuminating the Druggable Genome (IDG) Program.

Comments will be accepted through May 18, 2017.

LINKS: Federal Register
Solicitation for Nominations for Members of the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF)

Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

Notice inviting nominations of individuals qualified to serve as members of the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF). USPSTF, an independent body of experts in prevention and evidence-based medicine, works to improve the health of all Americans by making evidence-based recommendations about the effectiveness of clinical preventive services and health promotion. This year, strongest consideration will be given to nominees with demonstrated training and expertise in the areas of pediatrics, nursing, behavioral health, obstetrics and gynecology and preventive medicine.

Nominations must be submitted by June 15, 2017 for appointments to start the January 2018.

LINKS: Federal Register

Surveillance, Epidemiology, and End Results (SEER) Program

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Cancer Institute (NCI)

Notice announcing an upcoming request for proposals for the SEER program of the National Cancer Institute. Request for Proposal (RFP) N01PC65003-74 will be available on or about May 2, 2017. Proposals will be due on or about July 10, 2017.

LINKS: FBO

**SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, and MATHEMATICS**

Agriculture and Food Research Initiative - Sustainable Bioenergy and Bioproducts Challenge Area

United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), National Institute of Food and Agriculture

Notice seeking applications for the SBEBP Challenge Area Program to achieve the long term outcome of reducing our nation's dependence on foreign oil and help meet the Energy Independence and Security Act (EISA) of 2007 goal of 36 billion gallons/year of biofuels by 2022. The SBEBP is soliciting applications in the following priority areas: (1) Lignin or nano-cellulosic co-products from biomass feedstocks; and (2) Biomass feedstock genetic development and evaluation.

Applications are due June 28, 2017. Approximately $9.6 million is available for funding.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Army Geospatial Center Broad Agency Announcement

Army (Army), Department of Defense (Defense), Army Corps of Engineers (ACE)

Notice seeking applications supporting research relevant to the Army Geospatial Center. Focus areas include: Army Geospatial Enterprise Operations; Geospatial Standards; Geospatial Applications and Services; Data Model Development; Data Model Development; Army Geospatial Enterprise Migration; Geospatial Modeling & Simulation; Geospatial Experimentation; Cloud Computing; Disconnected Intermittent Low-Bandwidth; Geospatial Architecture; Geospatial Data Center Architectures; Geospatial Content Management; Methods; Systems Evaluation; Technical Data Package Maintenance; Standardization; Standardization; Emerging Technologies and New Concepts; Imagery Exploitation; Imagery Exploitation; Joint Operational Technologies & Integration; Civil Military Operations; Civil Military Operations; Database Development; Database Development; Modernization of Warfighter Support; Cartographic Technical Services; Geospatial Information; Acquisition Monitoring; Military Hydrology and Water Detection; Water Detection and Drilling Management; Cultural Mapping; Historical Photo Analyses; Database Development; Advanced Airborne Sensors; Rendering and Display; Integration and Exploitation; Battlefield Terrain and Environment; Data Manipulation; Geospatial Information Exploitation; Data Generation; and Geospatial Communications.

Applications are accepted at any time until April 30, 2018. Multiple awards are anticipated.

LINKS: FBO
BOEM 2017 Environmental Studies Program - Alaska Outer Continental Shelf Region

Department of the Interior (Interior), Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM)

Notice seeking applications for a cooperative agreement opportunity to perform an investigation of the Arctic ecosystem by providing additional characterizations of the Chukchi and western Beaufort Regions (Alaska Outer Continental Shelf Region), ecological linkages between the two seas, and identify factors forcing ecosystem response. The goal of this study is to document and correlate fish and invertebrate species presence, abundance, distribution, and habitat in the Chukchi and Western Beaufort Sea OCS lease areas during the open-water season (and shoulder seasons when suitable).

Applications are due June 17, 2017. Approximately $1 million is available to support one award.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Computer and Information Science and Engineering (CISE) Research Initiation Initiative

Directorate for Computer & Information Science & Engineering (CISE), National Science Foundation (NSF)

Notice seeking applications for grants to initiate the course of one's research career. Understanding the critical role of establishing that independence early in one's career, it is expected that funds will be used to support untenured faculty or research scientists (or equivalent) in their first three years in a primary academic position after the PhD, but not more than a total of five years after completion of their PhD.

Applications are due August 9, 2017. Approximately $10 million is available to support 60 awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Implementing Actions in Support of Recovery of Atlantic Salmon and Their Ecosystems

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce (Commerce)

Notice seeking applications for grants and cooperative agreements that work to address any of the four key actions identified in the Atlantic Salmon 5-Year Action Plan. Additionally, proposals for programs that develop and implement new education/outreach and engagement tools (e.g., interactive displays, exhibits, kiosks, etc.) or activities highlighting the biology, status and threats faced by Atlantic salmon and their ecosystems are also sought. These outreach and education projects must be in support of the International Year of the Salmon initiative.

Applications are due May 19, 2017. Approximately $600,000 is available to support six awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Plant Biotic Interactions

Directorate for Biological Sciences (BIO), National Science Foundation (NSF), United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Division of Integrative Organismal Systems

Notice seeking applications supporting research on the processes that mediate beneficial and antagonistic interactions between plants and their viral, bacterial, oomycete, fungal, plant, and invertebrate symbionts, pathogens and pests. Funds support projects focused on current and emerging model and non-model systems, and agriculturally relevant plants, and supports focuses ranging from fundamental mechanisms to translational efforts, with the latter seeking to put into agricultural practice insights gained from basic research on the mechanisms that govern plant biotic interactions.

Applications are due by September 1, 2017. Approximately $14.5 million is available to support up to 20 awards.

Limited Submission:
In a given year, an individual may participate as a PI, co-PI, or sub-award lead on no more than two proposals submitted in response to this solicitation.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation
Request for Conceptual Proposals for Yukon River Salmon Research and Management Projects

Department of the Interior (Interior), Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS)

Notice seeking detailed project proposals of one year in length for cooperative research and management projects on the Alaska portion of the Yukon River. Proposals should be addressing the needs of the priority general Categories and Factors and specific near-term needs as specified in the notice.

Proposals are due May 17, 2017.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Research in the Formation of Engineers (RFE)

Directorate for Engineering (ENG), National Science Foundation (NSF), Engineering Education and Centers

Notice seeking applications supporting efforts to advance our understanding of professional formation. It seeks to both deepen our fundamental understanding of the underlying processes and mechanisms that support professional formation and to demonstrate how professional formation is or can be accomplished in order to transform the engineering formation system. Funds support two categories of proposals: Research Projects and Design and Development Projects.

Applications are due by September 27, 2017, and then the Fourth Wednesday in September, Annually Thereafter, as well as January 24, 2018, and then the Fourth Wednesday in January, Annually Thereafter. Approximately $350,000 per award is available to support multiple awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Rapid Assessment of Energy and Environmental Technologies

Department of Defense (Defense)

Notice seeking information to help develop, assess, evaluate, demonstrate, transition, and perform physical, mechanical, operational, chemical, and environmental testing for new alternative energy, energy efficient, and environmentally safe technologies. Focus areas include: installations; industrial process energy; aviation; expeditionary energy; ground support technology; and environmental research.

Responses are due by 3:00 pm Local Time at May 15, 2017.

LINKS: FBO

BLM NV Groundwater Modeling in Nevada

Department of the Interior (Interior), Bureau of Land Management (BLM)

Notice seeking applications to partner with a recipient to develop and/or update groundwater tools (such as models) for critical management areas in Nevada. The recipient will work with BLM to identify areas of concern and identify any existing tools, data, and resources that can be used to either improve existing tools or develop new ones as needed.

Applications are due June 20, 2017. Approximately $500,000 is available to support one award.

LINKS: Grants.gov
Foundations of Trusted Computational Information Systems

Department of Defense (Defense), Air Force Materiel Command

Notice seeking innovative technologies/techniques that establish trusted foundations for hardware and software that enable secure, resilient, affordable Command, Control, Communications, Computer, Intelligence and Cyber (C4+1I) information processing systems.

White papers are suggested by the following dates for a better chance at funding: May 31, 2017 (FY 17); December 7, 2017 (FY 18); December 6, 2018 (FY 19); December 4, 2019 (FY 20); and December 3, 2020 (FY 21). Solicitation closes September 30, 2021. Approximately $24.9 million is available for multiple awards.

LINKS: FBO

FWS, Reno Nevada FY2017 Funding Opportunities

Department of the Interior (Interior), Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS)

Notice seeking applications for agreements with the Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) to conduct fish and wildlife management activities (as described in the notice) that align with the office’s conservation, restoration, and management goals and priorities in Nevada, Northern California, Southern Oregon or Southern Idaho.

Applications are due June 13, 2017. Approximately $410,000 is available to support 10 awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Mathematical Sciences Research Institutes

Directorate for Mathematical & Physical Sciences (MPS), National Science Foundation (NSF)

Notice seeking applications that will advance research in the mathematical sciences, increase the impact of the mathematical sciences in other disciplines, and expand the talent base.

Required letters of intent are due December 14, 2018 and December 14, 2023. Applications are due March 14, 2019 and March 14, 2024. Approximately $30 million is available to support up to eight awards during the FY 2020 period.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Measurement and Signatures Intelligence Exploitation (MASINT-X)

Department of Defense (Defense)

Notice seeking white papers to research innovative, disruptive technologies and methods in Measurement and Signatures Intelligence Exploitation (MASINT-X).

White papers are due May 19, 2017, July 7, 2017, July 9, 2018, July 8, 2019, and July 6, 2020. Approximately $24.9 million is available to support multiple awards.

LINKS: FBO
Speech and Audio Data Technologies (SADT)

Department of Defense (Defense)

Notice seeking white papers for new and innovative research to increase AFRL's knowledge and understanding of speech and audio exploitation technologies for support of military applications.

White papers are due May 19, 2017, December 29, 2017, December 31, 2018, and December 31, 2019. Approximately $9.9 million is available to support multiple awards.

LINKS: FBO

System Security Integrated Through Hardware and firmware (SSITH)

DARPA (DARPA), Department of Defense (Defense), Microsystems Technology Office (MTO)

Notice seeking applications to develop hardware design tools to provide inherent security against hardware vulnerabilities that are exploited through software in DoD and commercial electronic systems. SSITH aims to drive research required to develop secure hardware that constrains the hardware attack surface and protects against classes of software attacks which exploit hardware vulnerabilities.

Submissions due June 5, 2017.

LINKS: FBO

University Student Research Challenge (USRC) – A Pilot Project

National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)

Notice seeking applications supporting the Transformative Aeronautics Concepts Program (TACP) to develop novel concepts with the potential to create new capabilities in aeronautics by stimulating aeronautics research in the student community.

Applications are due October 16, 2017. Approximately $700,000 is available to support up to six awards. Cost sharing is required.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation, FBO

Advisory Committee for Social, Behavioral and Economic Sciences; Notice of Meeting

Directorate for Social, Behavioral & Economic Sciences (SBE), National Science Foundation (NSF)

Notice announcing a meeting of the Advisory Committee for Social, Behavioral and Economic Sciences. The committee provides advice and recommendations to the National Science Foundation on major goals and policies pertaining to Social, Behavioral and Economic Sciences Directorate (SBE) programs and activities.

The meeting will occur on May 18, 2017 from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm ET and May 19, 2017 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm ET at National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Stafford I, Room 1235, Arlington, VA.

LINKS: Federal Register
State Energy Advisory Board (STEAB)

Department of Energy (Energy), Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

Notice announcing a meeting of the State Energy Advisory Board (STEAB) to receive STEAB Task Force updates and objectives for FY 2017, discuss follow-up opportunities and engagement with EERE and other DOE staff as needed to keep Task Force work moving forward, continue engagement with DOE, EERE and EPSA staff regarding energy efficiency and renewable energy projects and initiatives, and receive updates on member activities within their states.

The meeting will take place via teleconference on May 18, 2017 from 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm ET. To receive the call-in number and passcode, please contact the Board's Designated Federal Officer at the address or phone number listed in the notice.

LINKS: Federal Register, Board's website

Metamaterial-based Optical System Design (RFI)

DARPA (DARPA), Department of Defense (Defense)

Notice requesting information supporting requests concerning the design and optimization of metamaterial-based optical imaging and non-imaging systems.

RFIs will be accepted through May 22, 2017.

LINKS: FBO