ARTS, HUMANITIES AND INTERNATIONAL

Fonds Chakara large-scale grant program launch to support Public-Private Partnership (PPP) models for Technical and Vocational Education and Training in Morocco

United States Agency for International Development (USAID), Millennium Challenge Corporation

Notice announcing an informational session on a new grant program – known as Fonds Charaka – that aims to improve the quality and relevance of technical and vocational education in Morocco by working with the private sector to better align professional training to the skills needed for Morocco’s workforce.

RSVPs are required by May 20, 2017. The meeting will be held on June 1, 2017 from 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm at the Millennium Challenge Corporation 1099 14th Street NW, 7th Floor Washington, DC. The Call for proposals will be available on May 29, 2017.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Agency Site

DRL Internet Freedom Annual Program Statement

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

Notice seeking statements of interest to protect the open, interoperable, secure, and reliable Internet by promoting fundamental freedoms, human rights, and the free flow of information online through integrated support to civil society for technology, digital safety, policy and advocacy, and applied research programs.

Statement of interests are due July 24, 2017 and February 12, 2018. Approximately $3 million is available. Limited Submission: Organizations may submit two SOIs per deadline.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Media Internship Program

Department of State (State), U.S. Mission to Macedonia

Notice seeking applications supporting efforts to develop and implement a media internship program for mid-career journalists from the Republic of Macedonia. Program objectives include: Introduce journalists to new skills; Expose them to digital tools and skills they need to thrive in today's newsrooms; Present journalists with case studies and hands-on experiences to encourage critical analysis and train them to become fluent storytellers; Encourage journalists to think creatively about the future of the news; Provide real-world experience in newsrooms; and Provide an opportunity for building a professional network of media contacts. The program should include a 6-8 week internship program at a U.S. media institution, which would include a mentorship component, with follow-on activities to occur in Macedonia after their return. Applications are due by August 1, 2017. Approximately $90,000 is available to support one award.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Supporting Job Creation for Young Tunisians from Marginalized Communities

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

Notice seeking applications that will directly result in verifiable increases in youth employment for targeted Tunisian youth with university education, bridging the gap between education and job market needs and linking entrepreneurship and enhanced employment opportunity. The project is designed to measurably increase employment for young Tunisians in marginalized governorates through the "supply side": the provision of job training, job placement and training programs for youth and young entrepreneurs. Optional letters of intent are due June 13, 2017. Applications are due July 10, 2017. Approximately $1 million is available to support one award.

Limited Submission: applicants may submit only one application

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation
U.S.-EU Relationship

Department of State (State), Bureau of European and Eurasian Affairs

Notice seeking applications aimed at European Union (EU) audiences with the goal of: increasing the discussion and understanding of foreign policy and economic priorities important to the U.S.-EU relationship; supporting the U.S. goals of advancing economic growth and countering terrorism; and furthering U.S.-EU understanding and cooperation on shared cultural, political, and economic values.

Applications are due July 7, 2017. Approximately $180,000 is available to support 20 awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov

EDUCATION and ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Rural Community Development Initiative (RCDI)

United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Utilities Program

Notice seeking applications to support housing, community facilities, and community and economic development projects in rural areas as intermediaries between the government and local recipients. Funds support efforts to provide technical assistance to develop recipients’ capacity and ability to undertake projects related to housing, community facilities, or community and economic development.

Applications are due by July 25, 2017. Matching fund requirement equal to amount of grant. Approximately $4 million is available for awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Agency Site

Supporting Effective Educator Development Program; Correction

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

Notice announcing deadline extension for transmittal of applications to the Supporting Effective Educator Development (SEED) program to June 23, 2017. All other requirements and conditions stated in the notice inviting applications remain the same.

On April 20, 2017, the Federal Register, posted a notice inviting applications for new awards for FY 2017 for the SEED program. The funder is removing the fourth factor under the selection criterion for the Quality of the Management due to duplication.

LINKS: Federal Register, Agency Site

BLM Utah Wildlife Vegetation Trend Studies

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

Notice seeking applications to monitor, evaluate, and report on the overall rangeland health and trends of rangelands identified as crucial to the survival of big game in Utah, as well as sagebrush-steppe restoration areas being completed under the Watershed Restoration Initiative, and greater sage-grouse habitat.

Applications are due July 31, 2017. Approximately $250,000 is available to support one award.

LINKS: Grants.gov
Education Research and Development Centers CFDA Number 84.305C

Department of Education (Education), Institutes of Education Sciences (IES)

Notice seeking applications for the Education Research and Development Centers Award for fiscal year 2018. Under this competition, the Institute’s National Center for Education Research (NCER) will consider only applications that address one of the following four topics: Improving Education Outcomes for Disadvantaged Students in Choice Schools, Improving Rural Education, Writing in Secondary Schools, and Exploring Science Teaching in Elementary School Classrooms.

Applications are due September 21, 2017. Approximately $1 million to $2 million is available in funding.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Federal Register

Education Research CFDA Number 84.305A

Department of Education (Education), Institute of Education Sciences (IES)

Notice seeking applications for the Education Research Award for fiscal year 2018. Under this competition, the Institute’s National Center for Education Research (NCER) will consider only applications that address one of the following topics: Cognition and Student Learning, Early Learning Programs and Policies, Education Leadership, Education Technology, Effective Teachers and Effective Teaching, English Learners, Improving Education Systems, Postsecondary and Adult Education, Reading and Writing, Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics Education, Social and Behavioral Context for Academic Learning, Arts in Education, Career and Technical Education, Systemic Approaches to Educating Highly Mobile Students.

Applications are due August 17, 2017. Approximately $100,000 to $760,000 is available in funding.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Federal Register

Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 Cooperating Technical Partners (CTP) Program - HQ


Notice seeking applications to strengthen and enhance the effectiveness of the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) by fostering strong Federal, State, Tribal, regional and local partnerships to reduce flood losses and promote community resiliency.

Applications are due July 1, 2017. Approximately $66 million is available to support 80 awards. Only qualified partners in the CTP Program are eligible for federal assistance awards through the CTP Program.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Agency Site

Low-Cost, Short-Duration Evaluation of Education Interventions CFDA Number 84.305L-1 and 84.305L-2

Department of Education (Education), Institute of Education Sciences (IES)

Notice seeking applications for Low-Cost, Short-Duration Evaluation of Education Interventions Competition. The Institute’s National Center for Education Research (NCER) will consider only applications that address low-cost, short-duration evaluation of education interventions.

Applications are due August 3, 2017 and March 1, 2018. Approximately $50,000 to $125,000 is available in funding.

LINKS: Grants.gov (84.305L-1), Grants.gov (84.305L-2), Federal Register
Low-Cost, Short-Duration Evaluation of Special Education Interventions CFDA Number 84.324L-1 and 84.324L-2

Department of Education (Education), Institute of Education Sciences (IES)

Notice seeking applications for the Low-Cost, Short-Duration Evaluation of Special Education Interventions Competition. Under this competition, the Institute’s National Center for Special Education Research (NCSER) will consider only applications that address low-cost, short-duration evaluation of special education interventions.

Applications are due August 3, 2017 and March 1, 2018. Approximately $50,000 to $125,000 is available in funding.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Federal Register

OVC FY 17 Field-Generated Innovations in Addressing Elder Abuse and Financial Exploitation

Department of Justice (Justice)

Notice seeking applications that are national in scope to develop or enhance promising practices, models, and programs that build the capacity of victim service and other ancillary providers in support of victims of elder abuse and financial exploitation. The ultimate aim is to enhance the provision of services and support to crime victims and ensure that victims are afforded the rights, services, and responses they are due.

Applications are due June 28, 2017. Approximately $3.32 million is available for funding in three purpose areas.

Limited Submission: only one application by any particular applicant entity will be considered

LINKS: Grants.gov

Partnerships and Collaborations Focused on Problems of Practice or Policy CFDA Number 84.305H

Department of Education (Education), Institute of Education Sciences (IES)

Notice seeking applications for the Partnerships and Collaborations Focused on Problems of Practice or Policy Award for fiscal year 2018. Under this competition, the Institute’s National Center for Education Research (NCER) will consider only applications that address one of the following two topics: Researcher-Practitioner Partnerships in Education Research and Evaluation of State and Local Education Programs and Policies.

Applications are due August 17, 2017. Approximately $50,000 to $1 million is available in funding.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Federal Register

Research Networks Focused on Critical Problems of Policy and Practice in Special Education CFDA Number 84.324N

Department of Education (Education), Institute of Education Sciences (IES)

Notice seeking applications for Research Networks Focused on Critical Problems of Policy and Practice in Special Education Award for fiscal year 2018. Under this competition, the Institute’s National Center for Special Education Research (NCSER) will consider only applications that address research on Multi-Tiered Systems of Support under one of the following two topics: Network Lead and Research Team.

Applications are due September 21, 2017. Approximately $300,000 to $1 million is available in funding.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Federal Register
Research Training Programs in Special Education CFDA Number 84.324B

Department of Education (Education), Institute of Education Sciences (IES)

Notice seeking applications for the Research Training Programs in Special Education Award for fiscal year 2018. Under this competition, the Institute’s National Center for Special Education Research (NCSER) will consider only applications that address one of the following three topics: Postdoctoral Research Training Program in Special Education and Early Intervention, Early Career Development and Mentoring, and Methods Training Using Sequential, Multiple Assignment, Randomized Trial (SMART) Designs for Adaptive Interventions in Education.

Applications are due August 17, 2017. Approximately $100,000 to $225,000 is available in funding.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Federal Register

Rural Housing Preservation Grant

United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Rural Housing Service

Notice seeking applications to assist low- and very low-income homeowners in repairing and rehabilitating their homes in rural areas.

Encouraged pre-applications are due July 17, 2017. Award amounts vary. Nonprofits are eligible to apply.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Federal Register

Special Education Research CFDA Number 84.324A

Department of Education (Education), Institute of Education Sciences (IES)

Notice seeking applications for Special Education Research Award for fiscal year 2018. Under this competition, the Institute’s National Center for Special Education Research (NCSER) will consider only applications that address one of the following 11 topics: Autism Spectrum Disorders, Cognition and Student Learning in Special Education, Early Intervention and Early Learning in Special Education, Families of Children with Disabilities, Mathematics and Science Education, Professional Development for Teachers and School-Based Service Providers, Reading, Writing, and Language Development, Social and Behavioral Outcomes to Support Learning, Special Education Policy, Finance, and Systems, Technology for Special Education, and Transition Outcomes for Secondary Students with Disabilities.

Applications are due August 17, 2017. Approximately $100,000 to $760,000 is available in funding.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Federal Register

STARBASE Hanscom

Department of Defense (Defense), Air Force Academy

Notice seeking proposals to raise the interest and improve knowledge and skills of elementary and secondary students in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM). The program targets “at risk” students from low socio-economic backgrounds and from groups historically under-represented in STEM industry and research.

White paper are due July 3, 2017. Proposals are due August 9, 2017. Approximately $1.875 million is available to support one award.

LINKS: Grants.gov
The Science, Mathematics and Research for Transformation (SMART) Scholarship for Service Program,

Army (Army), Department of Defense (Defense), Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering

Notice incentivizes students by providing funding for a STEM degree while providing the opportunity to perform hands on research at a Department of Defense (DoD) facility during the summer months and creating employment for the scholar upon successful completion of their degree. Funds support both undergraduate and graduate students pursuing degrees in STEM disciplines in order to increase the number of civilian scientists and engineers working at DoD laboratories.

Applications are due by July 11, 2017. Approximately $236.375 million is available to support multiple awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Advisory Committee on Supply Chain Competitiveness

Department of Commerce (Commerce), International Trade Administration (ITA)

Notice announcing a meeting to discuss the major competitiveness-related topics raised at the previous Committee meetings, including trade and competitiveness; freight movement and policy; trade innovation; regulatory issues; finance and infrastructure; and workforce development.

The meeting will be held June 21, 2017 from 12:00 pm to 3:00 pm and June 22, 2017 from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm ET at the U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Research Library (Room 1894), Washington, DC.

LINKS: Federal Register

Investor Advisory Committee Meeting

(SEC)

Notice announcing a meeting of the Securities and Exchange Commission Dodd-Frank Investor Advisory Committee. The agenda for the meeting includes: Remarks from Commissioners; nominations for open officer positions; a discussion regarding capital formation, smaller companies, and the declining number of initial public offerings; the announcement of election results for open officer positions on the Investor Advisory Committee; an overview of certain provisions of the Financial CHOICE Act of 2017 relating to the SEC; and a nonpublic administrative work session during lunch.

The meeting will be held Thursday, June 22, 2017 from 9:30 am until 2:35 pm ET at the Multi-Purpose Room LL-006 at the Commission's headquarters, 100 F Street NE., Washington, DC

LINKS: Federal Register

Notice of Public Meeting of the Assembly of the Administrative Conference of the United States

(Administrative Conference of the United States)

Notice announcing a meeting of the Administrative Conference of the United States to consider two proposed recommendations and to conduct other business. The first proposed recommendation provides guidance regarding the online dissemination of administrative adjudication materials. The second proposed recommendation offers best practices to agencies for choosing the most appropriate of several methods—among them negotiated rulemaking—to engage the public in agency rulemakings.

The meeting will held Friday, June 16, 2017, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm ET at the Constitution Center, 400 7th Street, SW., Washington, DC

LINKS: Federal Register, Agency Site
Notification of a Public Meeting of the President's Commission on Combating Drug Addiction and the Opioid Crisis (Commission)

Executive Office of the President (EOP) (Executive Office of the President), Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP)

Notice announcing the first meeting of the President's Commission on Combating Drug Addiction and the Opioid Crisis to advance the Commission’s work on drug issues and the opioid crisis. The first meeting will consist of statements to the Commission from invited nonprofit organizations regarding drug issues followed by discussion of the issues raised.

The meeting will be held on Friday June 16, 2017 from 12:30 pm until approximately 2:30 pm ET at the Eisenhower Executive Office Building, Room 350, in the Executive Office of the President in Washington, DC

LINKS: Federal Register

Preparations for the 33rd Session of the UN Sub-Committee of Experts on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (UNSCEGHS)

Department of Labor (Labor), Department of Transportation (DOT), Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA); Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA)

Notice announcing a public meeting of the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) to discuss proposals in preparation for the 33rd session of the United Nations Sub-Committee of Experts on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals. Notice also announces a meeting of the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) on the same topic.

Both meetings will be held at the DOT Headquarters Conference Center, West Building, Conference Rooms 8, 9 and 10, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC. The PHMSA public meeting will be held from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm ET. The OSHA public 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm ET, Conference Rooms 8, 9 and 10.

LINKS: Federal Register

Regulations and Procedures Technical Advisory Committee; Notice of Partially Closed Meeting

Department of Commerce (Commerce), Industry and Security Bureau (ISB)

Notice announcing a meeting of the Regulations and Procedures Technical Advisory Committee, which advises the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration on implementation of the Export Administration Regulations (EAR) and provides for continuing review to update the EAR as needed. Teleconference access is available.

Requests for teleconference participation are due by June 6, 2017. The meeting will be held June 13, 2017, 9:00 am, ET Room 3884, in the Herbert C. Hoover Building, 14th Street between Constitution and Pennsylvania Avenues NW., Washington, DC.

LINKS: Federal Register

Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Advisory Committee

Department of Commerce (Commerce), International Trade Administration (ITA)

Notice announcing a meeting to discuss next steps for each sub-committee, consider recommendations for approval, and hear from officials from the Department of Commerce and other agencies on major issues impacting the competitiveness of the U.S. renewable energy and energy efficiency industries.

The meeting will be held July 27, 2017 from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm ET at the U.S. Department of Commerce Herbert C. Hoover Building in Washington, DC.

LINKS: Federal Register
Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Advisory Committee

Department of Commerce (Commerce), International Trade Administration (ITA)

Notice announcing a conference call to potentially approve recommendations to the Secretary of Commerce informing of actions to improve the competitiveness of the U.S. renewable energy and energy efficiency industries.

The meeting will be held June 21, 2017 from 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm ET via telephone.

LINKS: Federal Register

Advisory Committee on Beginning Farmers and Ranchers (ACBFR) Request for Nominations

United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)

Notice seeking nominations for membership for the Advisory Committee on Beginning Farmers and Ranchers, which advises the Secretary of Agriculture on matters broadly affecting new farmers and ranchers including strategies, policies, and programs that will enhance opportunities and create new farming and ranching operations.

Nominations are due by June 15, 2017.

LINKS: Federal Register, Agency Site

Advisory Committee on Minority Farmers Request for Nominations

United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)

Notice seeking nominations for membership to the Advisory Committee on Minority Farmers.

Nominations will be accepted through June 16, 2017. Application packages can be downloaded at https://www.ocio.usda.gov/document/ad-755

LINKS: Federal Register

Nominations for Appointment to the MyVA Advisory Committee

Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)

Notice seeking nominations of qualified candidates to be considered for appointment as a member of the MyVA Advisory Committee. The Committee provides advice to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs related to the Department's MyVA initiative and VA’s ability to rebuild trust with Veterans and other stakeholders, improve service delivery with a focus on Veteran outcomes, and set the course for longer-term excellence and reform of VA. Nominations of qualified candidates are being sought to fill upcoming vacancies on the Committee. Applications are due June 16, 2017. One nomination per nominator.

LINKS: Federal Register

Nominations for Appointment to the Veterans’ Family, Caregiver, and Survivor Advisory Committee

Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)

Notice seeking nominations of qualified candidates to be considered for appointment to the Veterans’ Family, Caregiver, and Survivor Advisory Committee. The Committee is responsible for advising the Secretary on how VA can assist and represent Veterans’ families, caregivers, and survivors, including recommendations regarding expanding services and benefits to Veterans’ family members, caregivers, and survivors who are not currently served by VA, and related policy, among other things. Applications are due June 15, 2017. One nomination per nominator.

LINKS: Federal Register
Request for Applicants for Appointment to the U.S. Customs and Border Protection User Fee Advisory Committee

Department of Homeland Security (Homeland Security), U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP)

Notice requesting individuals who are interested in serving on the U.S. Customs and Border Protection User Fee Advisory Committee to apply for appointment. The U.S. Customs and Border Protection User Fee Advisory Committee is tasked with providing advice to the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security through the Commissioner of U.S. Customs and Border Protection on matters related to the performance of inspections coinciding with the assessment of an agriculture, customs, or immigration user fee.

Applications are due July 14, 2017.

LINKS: Federal Register

HEALTH and MENTAL HEALTH

Addressing Suicide Research Gaps: Understanding Mortality Outcomes (R01)

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

Notice seeking applications to support efforts focused on linking pertinent data from healthcare system records (e.g., suicide attempt events) to mortality data so that a more accurate understanding of the risk factors for, and the burden of, suicide among those seen in structured healthcare settings can be discerned. Funds support efforts to gather data on the type, severity, and timing of suicide predictors in the U.S.

Requested letters of intent are due 30 days prior to the application. Applications are due November 2, 2017. Approximately $3.2 million is available to support six to eight awards between the four different supporting institutes.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

DoD Peer Reviewed Medical Clinical Trial Award

Army (Army), Department of Defense (Defense), U.S. Army Medical Research Acquisition Activity (USAMRAA)

Notice seeking applications to support the rapid implementation of clinical trials with the potential to have a significant impact on a disease or condition addressed in at least one of the Congressionally directed FY17 PRMRP topic areas to include, but not limited to, evaluating promising new products, pharmacologic agents (drugs or biologics), devices, clinical guidance, and/or emerging approaches and technologies. See solicitation for full list of topic area diseases.

Required pre-application due by July 20, 2017. Applications are due October 26, 2017. Approximately $48 million is available to support eight awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Agency Site

DoD Peer Reviewed Medical Discovery Award

Army (Army), Department of Defense (Defense), U.S. Army Medical Research Acquisition Activity (USAMRAA)

Notice seeking applications to support innovative, non-incremental, high-risk/potentially high-reward research that will provide new insights, paradigms, technologies, or applications. Research must focus on the Congressionally directed FY17 PRMRP Topic Areas. See solicitation for the full list of topic area diseases.

Required pre-application due by July 19, 2017. Approximately $17 million is available to support 55 awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Agency Site
DoD Peer Reviewed Medical Focused Program Award

Army (Army), Department of Defense (Defense), U.S. Army Medical Research Acquisition Activity (USAMRAA)

Notice seeking applications to optimize research and accelerate the solution for a critical question related to at least one of the Congressionally directed FY17 PRMRP Topic Areas through a synergistic, multidisciplinary research program. See solicitation for the full list of topic area diseases.

Required pre-application are due by July 20, 2017. Applications are due by October 26, 2017. Approximately $60 million is available to support up to six awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

DoD Peer Reviewed Medical Investigator-Initiated Research Award

Army (Army), Department of Defense (Defense), U.S. Army Medical Research Acquisition Activity (USAMRAA)

Notice seeking applications to support studies that will make an important contribution toward research and/or patient care for a disease or condition related to at least one of the Congressionally directed FY17 PRMRP Topic Areas. See solicitation for full list of topic area diseases.

Required pre-applications are due by June 13, 2017. Approximately $90 million is available to support 47 awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Agency Site

DoD Peer Reviewed Medical Technology/Therapeutic Development Award

Army (Army), Department of Defense (Defense), U.S. Army Medical Research Acquisition Activity (USAMRAA)

Notice seeking applications to provide support for the translation of promising preclinical findings into products for clinical applications, including prevention, detection, diagnosis, treatment, or quality of life, in at least one of the Congressionally directed FY17 PRMRP Topic Areas. See solicitation for full list of topic area diseases.

Required pre-applications are due by July 13, 2017. Approximately $58.5 million is available to support 13 awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Agency Site

Grants for Early Medical/Surgical Specialists’ Transition to Aging Research (GEMSSTAR) (R03)

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute on Aging (NIA)

Notice seeking applications for early-career physician-scientists trained in medical or surgical specialties or early-career dentist-scientists to launch careers as future leaders in aging- or geriatric-focused research. Funds support small grants to conduct transdisciplinary aging research that will yield pilot data and experience for subsequent aging research projects. Funds also support efforts for candidates to seek out a supportive research environment to achieve the program’s goal of fostering the development of early-career physician- and dentist-scientists in aging- or geriatric-focused research.

Requested letters of intent are due September 23, 2017. Applications are due by October 23, 2017. Approximately $1.7 million is available to support up to 15 awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation
**HIV/AIDS and the Tumor Niche (R01)**

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

Notice seeking applications to advance our understanding of the role of the tumor niche or microenvironment in the risks, development, progression, diagnosis, and treatment of cancer observed in individuals with an underlying HIV infection or Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS).

Requested letters of intent are due 30 days prior to due date. Applications are due by August 7, 2017 and August 7, 2018. Approximately $2 million is available to support four to five awards for FY 18 and FY 19.

**LINKS:** [Grants.gov, Solicitation](https://grants.gov)

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**NIDDK Information Network Coordinating Unit: dkNET-CU (U24)**

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK)

Notice seeking applications to continue development and expansion of the NIDDK Information Network (dkNET) under the direction of the dkNET Coordinating Unit (dkNET-CU). The dkNET-CU will be responsible for providing the scientific direction, vision, and administrative management needed to advance dkNET goals, such as providing a user-friendly web portal that seamlessly connects the NIDDK research community to an expanding universe of biomedical resources and data.

Requested letters of intent are due September 30, 2017. Applications are due October 31, 2017. Approximately $1 million is available to support up to one award.

**LINKS:** [Grants.gov, Solicitation](https://grants.gov)

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**Peer Reviewed Orthopaedic Applied Research Award**

Army (Army), Department of Defense (Defense), U.S. Army Medical Research Acquisition Activity (USAMRAA)

Notice seeking applications to advance optimal treatment and restoration of function for military personnel with musculoskeletal injuries sustained during combat or combat-related activities. Funds support the following categories of focus areas. Surgical Care; and Rehabilitation.

Required pre-applications are due by July 12, 2017. Approximately $3.75 million is available to support five awards.

**LINKS:** [Grants.gov, Agency Site](https://grants.gov)

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**Peer Reviewed Orthopaedic Clinical Trial Award**

Army (Army), Department of Defense (Defense), U.S. Army Medical Research Acquisition Activity (USAMRAA)

Notice seeking applications to support clinical trial studies that have potential to develop novel interventions in either surgical care or rehabilitation ranging from small proof-of-concept trials to demonstrate feasibility or inform the design of more advanced trials (i.e., pilot, first in human, or Phase 0), through large-scale trials to determine efficacy in relevant patient populations. Funds support the following categories of focus areas. Surgical Care; and Rehabilitation. Applications must focus on only one focus area from between those categories.

Required pre-applications are due by July 12, 2017. Applications are due by September 27, 2017. Approximately $9 million available to support three awards.

**LINKS:** [Grants.gov, Solicitation](https://grants.gov)
Peer Reviewed Orthopaedic Integrated Clinical Trial Award

Army (Army), Department of Defense (Defense), U.S. Army Medical Research Acquisition Activity (USAMRAA)

Notice seeking applications to support the rapid implementation of an interdisciplinary clinical trial that integrates both surgical and rehabilitation strategies and has the potential to have a major impact on the treatment of combat-related orthopaedic injuries and/or the treatment of non-battle injuries that significantly impact unit readiness and return-to-duty/work rates. Funds support the following categories of focus areas. Surgical Care; and Rehabilitation. Studies that combine Focus Areas synergistically and propose significant advancements are particularly encouraged.

Required pre-applications are due by July 12, 2017. Applications are due by September 27, 2017. Approximately $4.5 million is available to support one award.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Agency Site

Small Grants for Secondary Analyses of Existing Data Sets and Stored Biospecimens (R03)

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD)

Notice seeking applications for small grants to conduct secondary analyses of publicly available NICHD-funded data sets or stored biospecimens in order to facilitate innovative yet cost-effective research utilizing data and biospecimens collected with NICHD resources.

Applications are due by February 16, June 16, and October 16, annually. Program expires May 8, 2020. Approximately $50,000 per award is available to support multiple awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Strengthening Coordinated Transportation Systems for People with Disabilities and Older Adults

Administration for Community Living (ACL), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

Notice seeking applications to strengthen coordinated transportation planning and systems for persons with disabilities and older adults. Funds support efforts to build upon work previously done in this area by promoting continued and expanded engagement in national peer-to-peer networks, furthering the design and implementation of small grants demonstration programs at the community level, strengthening and refining evaluation and continuous improvement processes, and expanding dissemination activities over a five-year period.

Requested letters of intent are due by June 20, 2017. Applications are due July 31, 2017. Approximately $1 million is available to support one award.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Agency Site

U.S. Tobacco Control Policies to Reduce Health Disparities (R01)

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

Notice seeking applications to support observational or intervention research focused on reducing health disparities in tobacco use in the United States. Funds support efforts to stimulate scientific inquiry focused on innovative tobacco control policies. Applicants may propose projects in which the primary outcome of interest is on reducing tobacco use health disparities in vulnerable populations by utilizing tobacco prevention and control strategies.

Requested letters of intent are due 30 days prior to the application date. Applications are due by September 11, 2017; October 11, 2017; June 13, 2018; October 11, 2018; June 13, 2019; October 11, 2019; June 15, 2020.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

CONTACT:
U.S. Tobacco Control Policies to Reduce Health Disparities (R21)

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

Notice seeking applications to support exploratory observational or intervention research focused on reducing health disparities in tobacco use in the United States. Funds support efforts to stimulate scientific inquiry focused on innovative tobacco control policies. Applicants may propose projects in which the primary outcome of interest is on reducing tobacco use health disparities in vulnerable populations by utilizing tobacco prevention and control strategies.

Requested letters of intent are due 30 days prior to the application due date. Applications are due by October 11, 2017; June 13, 2018; October 11, 2018; June 13, 2019; October 11, 2019; June 15, 2020. Approximately $275,000 per award is available to support multiple awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Collaborative Improvement and Innovation Network on Infant Mortality (IM CoIIN)

Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

Notice seeking applications supporting efforts to reduce infant mortality as well as disparities in infant mortality and related perinatal outcomes using a collaborative improvement and innovation network. Application teams should consist of participants from a minimum of four states/jurisdictions, and no more than fifteen states/jurisdictions in order to promote collaborative learning, innovation and ensure diversity in perspectives and ideas.

Applications are due July 17, 2017. Approximately $2 million is available to support up to four awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Dental Faculty Loan Repayment Program

Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Bureau of Health Workforce

Notice seeking applications to increase the number of dental and dental hygiene faculty in the workforce by assisting dental and dental hygiene training programs to attract and retain dental and dental hygiene faculty through loan repayment.

Applications are due July 17, 2017. Approximately $800,000 is available to support eight awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov

DoD Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy, Career Development Award

Army (Army), Department of Defense (Defense)

Notice seeking application to support early-career investigators in conducting impactful Duchenne research under the mentorship of an experienced muscular dystrophy researcher as an opportunity to obtain the funding, mentoring, and experience necessary for productive, independent careers at the forefront of Duchenne research. Applicants should also demonstrate that the proposed research has high potential to lead to or make breakthroughs in Duchenne.

Required pre-applications are due October 4, 2017 and invited full applications are due October 18, 2017. Approximately $275,000 is available for funding.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation
DoD Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy, Investigator-Initiated Research Award

Army (Army), Department of Defense (Defense)

Notice seeking translational research applications that will accelerate the movement of promising ideas in Duchenne research into clinical applications. Translational research may be defined as an integration of basic science and clinical observations with the specific goal of developing new therapies.

Required pre-applications are due July 19, 2017 and invited full applications are due October 18, 2017. Approximately $600,000 is available for funding.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Partnerships for Development of Clinically Useful Diagnostics for Antimicrobial-Resistant Bacteria (R01)

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID)

Notice seeking applications to support milestone-driven projects focused on the development of clinically informative diagnostic platforms that identify select antimicrobial-resistant bacterial pathogens and determine associated antimicrobial sensitivity and/or resistance.

Requested letters of intent are due September 4, 2017. Applications are due October 4, 2017. Approximately $5 million is available to support five to seven awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Partnerships for the Development of Vaccines and Immunophrophylactics Targeting Multiple Antimicrobial-Resistant Bacteria (R01)

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID)

Notice seeking applications to support milestone-driven projects focused on discovery, establishment of proof-of-concept for, and/or preclinical development of, lead candidate vaccines or immunophrophylactics that target multiple antimicrobial-resistant Gram-negative bacterial pathogens prevalent in nosocomial infections: carbapenem-resistant Enterobacteriaceae, multidrug-resistant (MDR) Acinetobacter and MDR Pseudomonas aeruginosa.

Optional letters of intent are due by September 4, 2017. Applications are due by October 4, 2017. Approximately $7 million is available to support 5 to 10 awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Rehabilitation Engineering Research Centers (RERCs) Program: RERC on Technologies to Promote Exercise and Health Among People With Disabilities

Administration for Community Living (ACL), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute on Disability, Independent Living, and Rehabilitation Research (NIDILRR)

Notice seeking applications supporting efforts to improve the effectiveness of rehabilitation services by conducting advanced engineering research on and development of innovative technologies that are designed to solve particular rehabilitation problems or to remove environmental barriers. Funds support efforts to demonstrate and evaluate such technologies, facilitate service delivery system changes, stimulate the production and distribution of new technologies and equipment in the private sector, and provide training opportunities.

Optional letters of intent are due by July 6, 2017. Applications are due July 31, 2017. Approximately $925,000 is available to support one award.

LINKS: Grants.gov
Socioeconomic Disparities in Health and Mortality at Older Ages (R01)

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute on Aging (NIA)

Notice seeking applications supporting studies that identify mechanisms, explanations, and modifiable risk factors underlying recent trends of growing inequalities in morbidity and mortality by income, education, and geographic location at older ages in the United States. Applicants are encouraged to consider a variety of health outcomes in order to explain the processes generating these trends.

Optional letters of intent are due by September 20, 2017. Applications are due by October 20, 2017. Approximately $2 million is available to support three to six awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

The USAID Global Health Challenge BAA

United States Agency for International Development (USAID)

Notice seeking applications for opportunities to co-create, co-design, co-invest, and collaborate in the development, testing, and scaling of innovative approaches that address critical global health challenges. The United States Agency for International Development (USAID) invites organizations and companies to participate with USAID, in cooperation with its partners, in response to a Global Health Challenge Addenda issued under this BAA, as described below, to provide innovative interventions and technologies that further the U.S. Government’s commitment to prevent and manage critical global health challenges.

Applications are accepted anytime before May 30, 2018. Award availability depends on the agenda issued.

LINKS: Grants.gov, FBO

Center for Substance Abuse Prevention

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

Notice announcing a meeting to provide updates on the Mandatory Guidelines for Federal Workplace Drug Testing Program, and updates from our federal partners in the Department of Transportation, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Department of Defense, and the National Laboratory Certification Program (NLCP).

The meeting will be held on June 13, 2017 from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm ET via web conference only.

LINKS: Federal Register, Agency Site

National Organic Standards Board

United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)

Notice announcing a meeting of the National Organic Standards Board to assist the USDA in the development of standards for substances to be used in organic production and to advise the Secretary of Agriculture on any other aspects of the implementation of Organic Foods Production Act.

The meeting will be held on October 24, 2017 from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm ET via a webinar.

LINKS: Federal Register, Agency Site
Pediatric Oncology Subcommittee of the Oncologic Drugs Advisory Committee

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

Notice announcing a forthcoming public advisory committee meeting of the Pediatric Oncology Subcommittee of the Oncologic Drugs Advisory Committee. The general function of the committee is to provide advice and recommendations to the Agency on FDA's regulatory issues.

The meeting will be held on June 21, 2017 from 8 am to 3:15 pm and June 22, 2017 from 8 am to 12 noon at the FDA White Oak Campus, 10903 New Hampshire Ave., Building 31 Conference Center, the Great Room (Rm. 1503), Silver Spring, MD.

LINKS: Federal Register

Vaccines and Related Biological Products Advisory Committee

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

Notice announcing a forthcoming public advisory committee meeting of the Vaccines and Related Biological Products Advisory Committee (VRBPAC). The general function of the committee is to provide advice and recommendations to the Agency on FDA's regulatory issues.

The meeting will be held on July 28, 2017 from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm at the FDA White Oak Campus, 10903 New Hampshire Ave., Building 31 Conference Center, the Great Room (Rm. 1503), Silver Spring, MD.

LINKS: Federal Register

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, and MATHEMATICS

Centers for Chemical Innovation

Directorate for Mathematical & Physical Sciences (MPS), National Science Foundation (NSF), Division of Chemistry (CHE)

Notice seeking proposals to support research centers focused on major, long-term fundamental chemical research challenges. Funds support efforts to produce transformative research that lead to innovation, and attract broad scientific and public interest. Funds support projects in all fields supported by the Division of Chemistry, with a particular focus in Data-Driven Discovery Science in Chemistry.

Required preliminary proposals are due by September 12, 2017. Approximately $9.4 million is available to support multiple awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Cyber-Hunting at Scale (CHASE)

DARPA (DARPA), Department of Defense (Defense) , Information Innovation Office (I2O)

Notice seeking applications to support innovative research proposals in the area of data-driven cyber-hunting tools for real-time cyber threat detection, characterization, and protection within enterprise-scale networks. Technical areas include: Threat Detection and Characterization; Informed Data Planning; Global Analysis; Protective Measure Generation and Dissemination; and Infrastructure for Evaluation Exercises

Optional abstracts are due by June 14, 2017 at noon ET. Applications are due by August 22, 2017 at noon ET. Multiple awards are expected for most topic areas. Only one award in Infrastructure for Evaluation Exercises will be awarded.

LINKS: FBO
FY2017 Research Opportunities in Accelerator Stewardship

Department of Energy (Energy), Office of Science

Notice seeking applications to support fundamental accelerator science and technology development of relevance to many fields beyond High Energy Physics (HEP), and to disseminate accelerator knowledge and training to the broad community of accelerator users and providers.

Required pre-applications are due June 15, 2017. Applications are due July 17, 2017. Approximately $3 million is available.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Joint Multi-INT Precision Reference (JMPR)

Department of Defense (Defense)

Notice seeking applications to support efforts to research, design, test, and transition advanced technology in precise timing, frequency, position, velocity, and attitude on military platforms to demonstrate enhanced coherent sensing (ISR, bistatic-SAR, etc.) and electronic effects (collaborative Electronic Warfare). Funds support efforts to design these systems to provide situational awareness to the user on the performance and threat environment in which they are operating. Funds also support the inclusion or extension of open standards for these systems to ease integration and future upgrades.

Applications are due by Jun 26, 2017, at 3:00 pm Wright-Patterson AFB, OH local time. Approximately $24 million is available to support up to two awards.

LINKS: FBO

ROSES 2017: Heliophysics Supporting Research

National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)

Notice seeking applications to understand phenomena, on a broad range of spatial and temporal scales, the fundamental processes that drive them, how these processes combine to create space weather events, and to enable a capability for predicting future space weather events. In concert with the other NASA science divisions (Planetary Science, Astrophysics, and Earth Science), the program shares responsibility for learning about the Earth, our solar system, the universe, and their interrelationships.

Required Step 1 proposals are due July 6, 2017. Step 2 proposals are due September 7, 2017. Awards are between $200,000 and $250,000.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Wildlife DNA Forensics and Seizure Training

Department of State (State), Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs (INL)

Notice seeking applications to enhance the investigations and prosecutions that follow seizures, in part through DNA forensic analysis that helps identify sources and routes for the illegal wildlife products seized. INL aims to support host-nation investigatory and prosecutorial capacity building to combat wildlife crime and disrupt the higher level syndicates involved in wildlife trafficking.

Applications are due July 28, 2017. Approximately $1 million is available for funding.

LINKS: Grants.gov
Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards; Notice of Meeting

NRC (Nuclear Regulatory Commission)

Notice announcing a meeting of the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards.

The meeting will be held June 7 - 9, 2017 from 8:30 am to 6:00 pm ET at 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD.

LINKS: Federal Register

Lagrange Proposers Day

DARPA (DARPA), Department of Defense (Defense)

Notice announcing a Proposers Day webcast to provide information to potential proposers on the objectives of an anticipated Broad Agency Announcement (BAA) for the Lagrange program. The goals of the Lagrange Proposers Day are to: (a) introduce the research community (Proposers, Academia, and Government) to the Lagrange program's vision and goals; (b) explain the mechanics of a DARPA program and the milestones of this particular effort, and (c) encourage and promote teaming arrangements among potential organizations that have the relevant expertise, facilities, and capabilities for executing a research and development program responsive to the Lagrange program goals.

The meeting will be held June 19, 2017 from 2:00 pm to 4:30 pm ET via webcast.

LINKS: FBO, Agency Site

Request for Information (RFI): Clean Water Technologies

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

Notice seeking feedback on technologies with the potential for early stage research and development (R&D) that if successfully advanced could impact the cost-effective and energy efficient availability of clean water processed from a variety of sources such as surface water, ground water, brackish water, seawater, wastewater and produced water for a range of applications including municipal drinking water, agricultural uses, and industrial needs.

Responses are due July 28, 2017. Award size, quantity, and timing will be subject to Congressional appropriations and direction.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Agency Site

Request for Information (RFI)-HECTOR

IARPA (IARPA), Director of National Intelligence (DNI)

Notice seeking information on potential use-cases and associated challenge problems that could be enabled by advanced cryptographic techniques and application development systems facilitating their use, as well as techniques and challenges around building such application development systems. Use cases of particular interest will be realistic and provide measurable benefits to the intelligence community, other government entities and to the public with respect to automated policy compliance enforcement and verification, and protection of privacy or data in general. Imaginative use cases that currently appear to be infeasible might be enabled by the new technology and cryptographic methods.

Responses are due by June 22, 2017.

LINKS: FBO
Request for Information for Creating a Classified Processing Enclave in the Public Cloud

IARPA (IARPA), Director of National Intelligence (DNI)

Notice seeking information on potential technologies and techniques to securely provide a private enclave encompassing multiple public cloud nodes to accommodate general-purpose, classified workloads elastically based on demand. The objective is to accomplish this by replicating as closely as possible the properties of an air-gapped private enclave within the public cloud for finite periods of time.

Responses are due by June 19, 2017.

LINKS: FBO