ARTS, HUMANITIES AND INTERNATIONAL

County Measurements, Learning and Accountability Program II

United States Agency for International Development (USAID)

Notice seeking applications to strengthen outcome measurements, learning and accountability systems in order to provide quality data and synthesized information for planning, implementation, policy development and decision making within USAID Kenya and East Africa programs. Program goals include: Increased leadership and management capacity of county health management teams for effective outcome measurements, learning and accountability systems; and increased availability, analysis and use of quality data.

Application questions are due June 29, 2017. Applications are due July 24, 2017. Approximately $19 million available to support one award lasting five years.

Limited Submission: One application per institution.

LINKS: Grants.gov

2017 Weapons and Munitions Destruction in Peru

Department of State (State), Bureau of Political-Military Affairs Office of Weapons Removal and Abatement (PMWRA)

Notice seeking applications for small arms and light weapons destruction, physical stockpile and security training and infrastructure upgrades, and explosive ordnance disposal training in Peru during fiscal year 2017.

Applications are due August 15, 2017. Approximately $1 million is available.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

2017-2018 CM Clearance in Multi-Province

Department of State (State), Bureau of Political-Military Affairs Office of Weapons Removal and Abatement (PMWRA)

Notice seeking applications to design and implement a mine action project of no more than 24 months, beginning on or about September 1, 2017, that will clear approximately 7,428,339 square meters of Cluster Munition contaminated hazards in Maydan Wardak, Nangarhar, Takhar and Paktya provinces of Afghanistan.

Applications are due July 31, 2017. Approximately $2.6 million is available to support this award.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Afghanistan Access to Justice Legal Aid Project

Department of State (State)

Notice seeking applications to work with legal aid organizations in Afghanistan and the Afghan government justice sector to promote access to criminal defense services, improve access to justice, and support public legal awareness outreach. The project will provide increased access to quality legal representation for indigent and other vulnerable populations, achieve systematic change and strengthen the rule of law, and strengthen the capacity and effectiveness of the Afghan government legal aid system.

Applications are due July 26, 2017. Approximately $1.35 million is available to support one award.

LINKS: Grants.gov
Communities Building Peace Together

United States Agency for International Development (USAID)

Notice seeking applications to reduce social conflict and violence and increase social cohesion and peacebuilding in Guatemala’s western highlands region. The project will contribute to the government of Guatemala and United States government’s objectives of promoting development, reducing poverty, and reducing irregular migration.

Concept papers are due July 11, 2017. Questions must be emailed to the contact by July 3, 2017. Approximately $30 million is available to support one award over a five-year period.

LINKS: Grants.gov

FY18 Bluefin Tuna Research Program

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

Notice seeking applications to provide usable and relevant information to aid fishery researchers, scientists, and managers to make informed management decisions. The Standing Committee for Research and Statistics, which develops scientific advice for the International Commission for the conservation of Atlantic Tunas, has developed a list of priorities for research needed to improve Bluefin tuna stock assessments. Proposals must address one of the priority areas as they pertain to Atlantic Bluefin tuna Federal fisheries management plans. If you select more than one priority, you should list first on your application the priority that most closely reflects the objectives of your proposal.

Applications are due by September 1, 2017. Approximately $600,000 may be available to support five awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Ready, Resourceful, Risk Aware (Triple R): OVC, Adolescent Girls and Young Women

United States Agency for International Development (USAID), South Africa USAID-Pretoria

Notice seeking applications for a five-year program to prevent new HIV infections and reduce vulnerability among priority populations: orphans and vulnerable children, adolescent girls, and young women. The project will be implemented in select locations across all four administrative regions of Swaziland (Lubombo, Shiselweni, Manzini, Hhohho). The project is expected to result in mitigation of the impact of HIV, reduction in new HIV infections, and improved HIV clinical outcomes. A five percent cost share is required.

Applications are due by August 8, 2017. Approximately $40 million is available to support one award.

LINKS: Grants.gov

U.S. Embassy Havana PAS Annual Program Statement

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

Notice seeking applications to receive U.S. grants, and have the ability to develop and implement their proposed programs in Cuba.

Applications are due August 15, 2017. Approximately $100,000 per awards is available.

LINKS: Grants.gov
Improving Governance in Haiti Program (IGHI)

United States Agency for International Development (USAID), Haiti USAID-Port Au Prince

Notice requesting information solely for information and planning purposes. The purpose of the Improved Governance in Haiti Program is to support locally-driven efforts to address several core issues that impede improved governance in Haiti at all levels.

Responses are due by July 14, 2017 by 3:30 pm Haiti time. Responses should be sent to usaidhaitioaa@usaid.gov and mgeffrard@usaid.gov with the subject line reading "Governance RFI Response".

LINKS: Grants.gov

EDUCATION and ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

BLM-NM, Cave and Karst Conservation Assistance for the Fort Stanton-Snowy River Cave National Conservation Area

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

Notice seeking applications to maintain, improve, explore, and study Fort Stanton Cave resources within BLM New Mexico public lands, as well as seek and use the skills, knowledge, and expertise in Recipient organization to plan, develop, and implement cave management and conservation efforts with BLM New Mexico.

Applications are due August 25, 2017. Approximately $250,000 is available to support one award.

LINKS: Grants.gov

BLM-WO-Stewardship and Outdoor Ethics Education and Citizen Science Program

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

Notice seeking applications to build appreciation and “ownership” of the public lands by fostering a connection between people and the land through outdoor experiences, education, and volunteerism.

Applications are due July 24, 2017. Approximately $250,000 is available to support one award.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Agency Site

Outreach and Assistance for Socially Disadvantaged Farmers and Ranchers and Veteran Farmers and Ranchers Program

United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Office of Advocacy and Outreach (OAO)

Notice seeking proposals for training and technical assistance projects designed to assist socially disadvantaged and veteran farmers and ranchers in owning and operating viable agricultural enterprises.

Proposals are due August 7, 2017. Approximately $8.4 million is available.

Limited Submission: Only one project proposal may be submitted per eligible entity.

LINKS: Grants.gov
OVC FY 17 Mass Violence and Victimization Resource Center (MV Center)

Department of Justice (Justice), Office for Victims of Crime (OVC)

Notice seeking applications to establish a Mass Violence Center (MVC) to develop a national victim-centric framework, applicable to various jurisdictions (e.g., federal, state, tribal, local), which addresses best practices in preparing for and responding to incidents of mass violence and domestic terrorism. The MVC will develop a national victim-centric framework that addresses best practices for preparing for and responding to incidents of mass violence and domestic terrorism, and that government entities and organizations can adapt and use in their own strategies, preparations, and response plans to better support victims of these incidents.

Applications are due August 9, 2017. Approximately $18 million is available to support one award for a 36-month period.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Specialty Crop Multi-State Program

United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS)

Notice seeking applications to competitively award funds to State departments of agriculture solely to enhance the competitiveness of specialty crops by funding collaborative, multi-state projects that address the following regional or national level specialty crop issues: food safety; plant pests and disease; research; crop-specific projects addressing common issues; and marketing and promotion.

Applications from multi-state partners are due to Participating States by September 25, 2017. Applications from Participating States are due October 24, 2017 by AMS. Approximately $7 million is available.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Agency Site

USDA NRCS Alabama Outreach and Technical Assistance Activities

United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)

Notice seeking applications to provide technical assistance to private landowners and land users in conservation planning and contracting, design, layout, and installation of conservation practices. The services will consist of preparing and hosting workshops covering Outreach and/or Technical Topic content.

Proposals are due July 26, 2017 at 4:00 pm CT. Approximately $150,000 is available for one year.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Council for Native American Farming and Ranching

United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Office of Tribal Relations

Notice announcing a meeting of the Office of Tribal Relations to discuss updates of USDA programs, committee priorities, and hear community feedback.

The meeting will be held July 20-21, 2017 from 2pm to 4pm both days in Carnall Hall's “The Classroom” at the University of Arkansas, 465 N. Arkansas Ave., Fayetteville, AR 72701. Attendees may submit written comments to Abby Cruz, Email: Abigail.Cruz@osec.usda.gov.

LINKS: Federal Register
BLM OR/WA - Yaquina Head Outstanding Natural Area Education and Support

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

Notice seeking applications to partner to establish and maintain a natural resource management public awareness campaign about YHONA and the surrounding natural areas by providing meaningful opportunities to learn hands-on skills and gain experience in cultural and natural resource management to support the conservation and stewardship of public land resources within Oregon and Washington that help sustain public lands.

Applications are due August 28, 2017, September 27, 2017, and the 5th of every month. Program expires August 28, 2019. Approximately $700,000 is available to support one award.

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

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BLM OR/WA Community Assistance in Wildland Urban Interface

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

Notice seeking applications to facilitate collaboration with designated communities at risk from wildfires and to assist in the development and implementation of Community Wildfire Protection Plans (CWPP).

Applications are due August 28, 2017. Approximately $500,000 is available to support two to three awards.

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

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BLM Utah Fisheries and Riparian Resources Programs and Projects

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

Notice seeking applications to improve the management of aquatic resources on public lands by providing technical support for aquatic and riparian resource assessments and assisting with implementation of on-the-ground habitat restoration projects. Applications are due August 28, 2017. Approximately $500,000 is available to support up to five awards for projects lasting up to five years.

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

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BLM-CO Archaeological and Heritage Education Partnership

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

Notice seeking applications to develop and implement innovative and interactive education and interpretation programs emphasizing the prehistory and heritage of Canyons of the Ancients National Monument and the Four Corners region. Applications are due August 28, 2017. Approximately $100,000 is available to support one award for a project lasting up to five years.

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

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Choice Neighborhoods Planning Grants Program

Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)

Notice seeking applications to develop and implement a comprehensive neighborhood revitalization strategy, or "Transformation Plan." This Transformation Plan becomes the guiding document for the revitalization of the public and/or assisted housing units, while simultaneously directing the transformation of the surrounding neighborhood. Funds support both Planning and Action projects, and Planning-only projects. Applications are due August 28, 2017. Approximately $5 million is available to support three Planning and Action grants.

LINKS: [Grants.gov](https://grants.gov)
FY17 Region 4 Catastrophic Coral Disease

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

Notice seeking proposals from eligible applicants to address the Regional Priority Area: extent and cause of the persistent coral disease described as “white blotch” currently impacting nearly half of the reef building coral species (21 of 43 species; 2 threatened endangered species, Endangered Species Act) in Southeast Florida and the Florida Keys.

Proposals are due July 31, 2017. Approximately $500,000 is available to support one to three awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov

International Research and Studies Program-Research, Studies, and Surveys

Department of Education (Education)

Notice seeking applications for new awards for fiscal year 2017 for the International Research and Studies Program, which provides grants to institutions, public and private agencies, organizations, and individuals to conduct research and studies to improve and strengthen instruction in modern foreign languages, area studies, and other international fields. Competitive priorities include: Research Projects, Surveys, and Studies regarding U.S. School-based Dual Language Immersion Programs; and Research Projects, Surveys, and Studies on the Outcomes of International Education Programs for U.S. Postsecondary Education Students.

Applications are due August 14, 2017. Approximately $712,329 is available to support 10 awards.

LINKS: Federal Register

OVC FY 17 Vision 21: Integrated Services for Victims Program: Increasing Access to Mental Health

Department of Justice (Justice), Office for Victims of Crime (OVC)

Notice seeking applications to bridge the divide between crime victims, victim services providers, and mental health services providers so that communities are able to create a seamless network of services to help crime victims to recover, heal, and thrive.

Applications are due August 10, 2017. Up to nine awards across five purpose areas are available, ranging from up to $350,000 to up to $500,000, to support up projects lasting up to three years. Eligibility varies by purpose area.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

SARE Regional Host Institution

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

Notice seeking applications under the Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education Program (SARE) program from institutions to serve as a Regional Host Institution (RHI) or the National Reporting, Coordinating and Communications Office (NRCCO). The Regional Host Institutions (RHI) have the operational responsibility to carry out the competitive grant programs that are established for the region and each regional host institution employs a Regional Coordinator (RC) to oversee the program.

Applications are due September 28, 2017. Approximately $5.5 million per region is available.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation
Defense Innovation Board; Notice of Federal Advisory Committee meeting

Department of Defense (Defense)

Notice announcing meeting to examine and provide the Secretary of Defense and the Deputy Secretary of Defense independent advice and recommendations on innovative means to address future challenges in terms of integrated change to organizational structure and processes, business and functional concepts, and technology applications.

This meeting is open to the public, and will be held on Wednesday, July 12, 2017 from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm in the Defense Innovation Unit Experimental Auditorium at Moffett Field, 230 R T Jones Road, Mountain View, CA. Additionally; the open meeting will be live streamed for those who are unable to physically attend the meeting.

LINKS: Federal Register

Rehabilitation Research and Development Service Scientific Merit Review Board; Notice of Meetings

Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)

Notice announcing meetings of various subcommittees to cover administrative matters and to discuss the general status of the program. The board is scheduled to review rehabilitation research and development applications and advise the director, rehabilitation research and development service, and the chief research and development officer on the scientific and technical merit, the mission relevance, and the protection of human and animal subjects.

See list of dates on the notice. Approximately one-half hour at the start of each meeting will open to the public via teleconference sessions. To attend, dial 800/767-1750, and enter participant code 35847.

LINKS: Federal Register

2017-2018 Award Year Deadline Dates for Reports and Other Records Associated With the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), the Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant Program, the Federal Work-Study Programs, the Federal Perkins Lo

Department of Education (Education)

Notice announcing deadline dates for the receipt of documents and other information from applicants and institutions participating in certain Federal student aid programs authorized under title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 for the 2017-2018 award year. These programs provide financial assistance to students attending eligible postsecondary educational institutions to help them pay their educational costs.

LINKS: Federal Register

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request-Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Repayment Demand and Program Disqualification

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

Notice seeking comments on a revision of collection titled "Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Repayment Demand and Program Disqualification."

Comments will be accepted through August 31, 2017.

LINKS: Federal Register
HEALTH and MENTAL HEALTH

Global Pediatric Clinical Trials Network

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

Notice seeking applications to support the development of the scientific infrastructure needed to plan and execute pediatric clinical trials through collaboration with stakeholders from academia, industry, parent/patient advocacy groups, and government agencies. The Global Pediatric Trial Network should be a coordinating resource for pediatric product development with sustainable global infrastructure to plan, start up, conduct, and close out pediatric clinical investigations. Applications are due August 22, 2017. Up to $2 million is available to support one award.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Multidisciplinary Studies of HIV/AIDS and Aging (R01)

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

Notice seeking applications to research the intersection of HIV and aging by addressing two overarching objectives: 1) to improve understanding of biological, clinical, and socio-behavioral aspects of aging through the lens of HIV infection and its treatment; and 2) to improve approaches for testing, prevention, and treatment of HIV infection, and management of HIV-related comorbidities, co-infections, and complications in different populations and cultural settings by applying our current understanding of aging science. Applications are due annually on February 5, June 5, and October 5 until September 8, 2020. Approximately $275,000 per award is available to support multiple projects lasting two years.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Multidisciplinary Studies of HIV/AIDS and Aging (R21)

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

Notice seeking applications to conduct exploratory/developmental research at the intersection of HIV and aging by addressing two overarching objectives: 1) to improve understanding of biological, clinical, and socio-behavioral aspects of aging through the lens of HIV infection and its treatment; and 2) to improve approaches for testing, prevention, and treatment of HIV infection, and management of HIV-related comorbidities, co-infections, and complications in different populations and cultural settings by applying our current understanding of aging science. Applications are due annually on February 16, June 16, and October 16 until September 8, 2020. Approximately $275,000 per award is available to support multiple awards for projects lasting two years.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

NEI Center Core Grant for Vision Research (P30)

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

Notice seeking applications to consolidate groups of independent researchers working in vision research to enhance their research, consolidate resources, avoid duplication of efforts, and/or contribute to cost effectiveness by providing a service with lower costs or higher quality than could be attempted for independent projects. Funds support efforts to enhance an institution's environment and capability to conduct vision research and to facilitate collaborative studies of the visual system and its disorders. Applications are due September 28, 2017, September 28, 2018, and September 18, 2019. Approximately $2 million is available to support multiple awards for projects lasting up to five years. Limited Submission: One application per institution.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation
NIJ FY17 ABCD Sub-Study on Social Development

Department of Justice (Justice), National Institute of Justice (NIJ)

Notice seeking applications to select a coordinating site to manage the multi-site ABCD sub-study. The ABCD Study seeks to explore the standards of normal brain development across a young person’s life trajectory, as well as numerous facets of adolescent brain, cognitive, social, emotional, and physical development.

Applications are due July 26, 2017. Approximately $2 million is available to support one award for an 18-month period.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Novel Assays for Screening the Effects of Chemical Toxicants on Cell Differentiation (SBIR R44)

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS)

Notice seeking applications to develop medium- to high-throughput assays to evaluate the effects of toxicants on pluripotent or induced pluripotent cells with respect to cell differentiation and the resulting differentiated cell populations.

Optional letters of intent are due September 4, 2017. Applications are due October 4, 2017. Approximately $3 million is available for four to six projects lasting two years. Eligibility is limited to renewal Small Business Innovative Research applicants from small business concerns with less than 50% owned by multiple venture capital operating companies, hedge funds, private equity firms, or any combination at the time of award of Phase I and Phase II.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Arthritis Advisory Committee

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

Notice announcing a meeting of the Arthritis Advisory Committee. The purpose is to provide advice and recommendations to the Agency on FDA’s regulatory issues. The meeting will be open to the public. The committee will discuss biologics license application (BLA) 761057, for sirukumab injection (proposed trade name PLIVENSIA), submitted by Janssen Biotech, Inc., for the treatment of adult patients with moderately to severely active rheumatoid arthritis who have had an inadequate response or are intolerant to one or more disease modifying anti-rheumatic drugs.

The meeting will be held on August 2, 2017, from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm at the FDA White Oak Campus, 10903 New Hampshire Ave., Bldg. 31 Conference Center, the Great Room (Rm. 1503), Silver Spring, MD. Comments are due July 19, 2017.

LINKS: Federal Register
CONTACT:

Philip Bautista, 301/796-9001. Email: AAC@fda.hhs.gov

Meeting of the Advisory Committee on Minority Health

Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Office of Minority Health

Notice announcing a meeting to discuss strategies to improve the health of racial and ethnic minority populations through the development of health policies and programs that will help eliminate health disparities, as well as other related issues.

The meeting will be held August 28, 2017, from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm (ET) and August 29, 2017, from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm (ET) at the 5600 Fishers Lane Building, Room 05N76, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD.

LINKS: Federal Register
Request for Nominations for Voting Members on Public Advisory Panels or Committees

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

Notice requesting nominations for voting members to serve on the FDA’s Device Good Manufacturing Practice Advisory Committee and device panels of the Medical Devices Advisory Committee in the Center for Devices and Radiological Health.

Nominations are due August 22, 2017. In accordance with the 21st Century Cures Act, The agency encourages nominations of patients, representatives of patients, and sponsors of medical device submissions to fill voting member positions on classification panels.

LINKS: Federal Register

National Priorities: Transdisciplinary Research into Detecting and Controlling Lead in Drinking Water

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

Notice seeking applications to identify, mitigate, and conduct educational and outreach efforts on communities that are at a high risk of experiencing the adverse health effects of lead in drinking water.

Applications are due August 15, 2017. Approximately $3.96 million is available to support up to two awards to support projects lasting up to three years. A minimum 25 percent cost share is required.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Part C HIV Early Intervention Services Program: Existing Geographic Service Areas

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

Notice seeking applications to provide comprehensive primary health care and support services in an outpatient setting for low income, uninsured, and underinsured people living with HIV. Under this announcement, applicants must propose to provide: (1) targeted HIV counseling and testing; (2) medical evaluation and clinical and diagnostic services; (3) therapeutic measures for preventing and treating the deterioration of the immune system, and for preventing and treating conditions arising from HIV/AIDS; and (4) referrals to appropriate providers of health care and support services.

Applications are due August 14, 2017. Approximately $187.3 million is available to support 344 awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov (For Projects with January 1 Start Dates), Grants.gov (For Projects with April 1 Start Dates)

Urban Waters Middle Blue River Ambassador

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

Notice seeking applications for an ambassador to accelerate and coordinate projects among stakeholders that are critical to improving water quality and public health, restoring forest resources and fostering community stewardship in urban watersheds in EPA’s Region 7 (Missouri, Nebraska, Iowa, and Kansas).

Applications are due August 15, 2017. Email questions to the contact by August 7, 2017. Approximately $160,000 is available to support one award.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation
Antimicrobial Susceptibility and Resistance: Addressing Challenges of Diagnostic Devices; Public Workshop; Request for Comments

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

Notice announcing a meeting of the FDA titled "Antimicrobial Susceptibility and Resistance: Addressing Challenges of Diagnostic Devices." The purpose of this workshop is to discuss potential scientific and regulatory challenges associated with developing traditional antimicrobial susceptibility testing (AST) devices and devices that detect antimicrobial resistance markers by molecular or novel diagnostic technologies, and to provide an overview of relevant provisions of the 21st Century Cures Act that may impact the development of such devices.

The meeting will be held September 13, 2017 from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm ET at 10903 New Hampshire Ave, Silver Springs, MD.

LINKS: Federal Register

Meeting of the National Advisory Council for Healthcare Research and Quality

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

Notice announcing a meeting to advise the Secretary of HHS and the Director of AHRQ on matters related to AHRQ's conduct of its mission including providing guidance on (A) priorities for health care research, (B) the field of health care research including training needs and information dissemination on health care quality and (C) the role of the Agency in light of private sector activity and opportunities for public private partnerships.

The meeting will be held July 26, 2017 from 8:30 am to 2:45 pm ET at AHRQ, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD.

LINKS: Federal Register

Notification of a Public Teleconference of the President's Commission on Combating Drug Addiction and the Opioid Crisis

Executive Office of the President (EOP) (Executive Office of the President)

Notice announcing a meeting of the President's Commission on Combating Drug Addiction and the Opioid Crisis. The purpose of the meeting is to review a draft interim report that will be posted on ONDCP’s Commission Web site listed below before the teleconference.

The teleconference will be held on Monday July 17, 2017 at 4:00 pm (ET). The public may call (800) 260-0718 (Access Code 426289) to listen. Please call five minutes before the start time.

LINKS: Federal Register

Office of the Director; Notice of Meeting--NIH Clinical Center Research Hospital Board.

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

Notice announcing an open meeting of the NIH Clinical Center Research Hospital Board to discuss Clinical Protocol Prioritization; Patient Safety Tracking; AAHRP 5 Year Accreditation Process; Bioethics; and Report on Clinical Center Focus Groups.

The meeting will be held on July 14, 2017 at the National Institutes of Health, Building 31, 6th Floor, Conference Room 6C6, 31 Center Drive, Bethesda, MD from 9:00 am to 3:15 pm. Any interested person may file written comments with the committee by forwarding the statement to the Contact Person listed on this notice. The statement should include the name, address, telephone number and when applicable, the business or professional affiliation of the interested person.

LINKS: Federal Register
National Advisory Council for Healthcare Research and Quality: Request for Nominations for Public Members

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

Notice seeking nominations to serve on the council beginning with the meeting in the spring of 2018. The council is seeking individuals with experience in health care quality research or medicine and the fields of health care economics, information systems, law, ethics, business, or public policy.

Nominations are due August 26, 2017 and should be sent to NationalAdvisoryCouncil@ahrq.hhs.gov.

LINKS: Federal Register

Notice of Meeting of the National Advisory Council on Maternal, Infant and Fetal Nutrition

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

Notice announcing a meeting to discuss new updates on breastfeeding promotion and support activities, the WIC food packages, WIC funding, electronic benefits transfer, CSFP initiatives, and current research studies.

The meeting will be held July 11 through July 13, 2017 from 9:00 am to 5:30 pm ET at the Hilton Garden Inn Arlington/Shirlington, Environment Room, 4271 Campbell Avenue, Arlington, Virginia.

LINKS: Federal Register

Solicitation for Written Comments on the Development of Healthy People 2030

Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

Notice seeking written comments on the Healthy People 2030 proposed framework, including the vision, mission, overarching goals, plan of action, and foundational principles. Every 10 years, through the Healthy People initiative, HHS leverages scientific insights and lessons from the past decade along with new knowledge of current data, trends, and innovations to develop the next iteration of national health promotion and disease prevention objectives.

Written comments must be submitted via the Internet at www.HealthyPeople.gov by 5:00 pm ET on September 29, 2017.

LINKS: Federal Register

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

Assistance with the organization and function of the East Creek and McKenzie Brook Watersheds (VT)

United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)

Notice seeking applications to support the East Creek and McKenzie Brook Watersheds Planning Groups with identifying, developing and providing multiple strategies to increase the implementation of conservation practices on farms within the watershed.

Applications are due July 24, 2017. Approximately $87,500 is available to support one award to support a project lasting up to five years.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Agency Site
Assistance with the organization and function of the Hungerford Brook and St Albans Bay Watersheds (VT)

United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)

Notice seeking applications to support the Hungerford Brook and St. Albans Bay Watersheds Planning Groups with identifying, developing and providing multiple strategies to increase the implementation of conservation practices on farms within the watershed.

Applications are due July 24, 2017. Approximately $87,500 is available for one award to support a project lasting up to five years.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Agency Site

Assistance with the organization and function of the Pike River - Lake Carmi and Rock River Watersheds Planning Groups (VT)

United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)

Notice seeking applications to support the Pike River - Lake Carmi and Rock River Watersheds Planning Groups (VT) assist identifying, developing and implementing multiple strategies to increase the implementation of conservation practices on farms within the watershed.

Applications are due July 24, 2017. Approximately $75,500 is available to support one award for a project lasting up to two years.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Agency Site

BLM-New Mexico, Ecological Studies of Leptonycteris Bats on NM Public Lands

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

Notice seeking applications to collaborate with a partner to gather additional information about nectarivorous bat populations in southwestern New Mexico.

Applications are due August 25, 2017. Approximately $500,000 is available to support one award.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Census of Medical Examiners and Coroners' Offices

Department of Justice (Justice), Bureau of Justice Statistics

Notice seeking applications for the implementation of a national Census of Medical Examiners and Coroners’ Office (CMEC), an instrumental contributor to the nation’s medicolegal death investigation system process and infrastructure used to identify trends and challenges.

Applications are due July 24, 2017. Approximately $1 million is available to support up to one award.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation
Evaluation Aresole Toxin

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

Notice seeking application to produce, harvest, and store multiple toxic and non-toxic cultures of Ostreopsis with appropriate backups so that the strains are not lost.

Applications are due July 12, 2017.

LINKS: FBO, Agency Site

Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 Homeland Security National Training Program (HSNTP) - Continuing Training Grants (CTG)


Notice seeking applications to provide training solutions to address national preparedness gaps, correlate training needs with exercise activities and outcomes, incorporate the core capabilities identified in the National Preparedness Goal, and ensure training is available and accessible to a nationwide audience.

Applications are due July 26, 2017. Approximately $8 million is available to support up to five awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov

ROSES 2017: Planetary Science and Technology through Analog Research

National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)

Notice seeking applications furthering development of relevant, miniaturized instrumentation capable of extensive operations on lunar, asteroid, and planetary surfaces throughout the Solar System by exploring the relevant environments on Earth in order to develop a sound technical and scientific basis to conduct planetary research on other solar system bodies. Projects must relate to two of the three program objectives: Science; Science Operations; and Technology, to research all aspects of basic and applied supporting research and technology in space and Earth sciences, including, but not limited to: theory, modeling, and analysis of Science Mission Directorate SMD science data, etc.

Applications are due July 25, 2017. Approximately $5 million is available to support 10-12 awards lasting a maximum of four years. Awards range from $100,000 to over $1 million based on the extent of research activities lasting between four to five years.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Defense Industry Executive Summit

Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA), Department of Defense (Defense), Microsystems Technology Office (MTO)

Notice announcing a new Electronics Resurgence Initiative (ERI) to develop techniques and technologies for advancing microelectronics performance beyond the limits of traditional transistor scaling. The Defense Industry Executive Summit will gather leaders within the defense industrial base (DIB) to identify relevant research areas of shared interest, leading to the development of multiple DARPA programs.

The meeting will be held July 11, 2017 from 9:00 am to noon ET at Ballston Conference Center, 3811 Fairfax Drive, Suite 600, Arlington, VA.

LINKS: FBO
Digital Sequence Information on Genetic Resources Public Meeting

Department of State (State)

Notice announcing an information session regarding an ongoing process under the Convention on Biological Diversity concerning the use of “digital sequence information on genetic resources,” also known as genetic sequence data.

The meeting will be held on July 11, 2017, 1-3 pm at the Harry S. Truman Main State Building, Room 3940, 2201 C Street NW., Washington, DC.

LINKS: Federal Register

Sync with STO Event Announcement

Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA), Department of Defense (Defense)

Notice announcing the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency Strategic Technology Office (STO) will host a "Sync with STO" event to: 1) familiarize attendees with STO's vision, problem spaces, Program Managers, and technology interests; and 2) facilitate technical discussion between STO Project Managers and attendees that explore innovative and impactful solution ideas for strategic national security challenges.

The events will be held August 2, 2017 and August 3, 2017 at the DARPA Conference Center, at 675 N. Randolph St. Arlington, VA. Agendas are identical for both days. Space is limited. A maximum of five attendees from any one corporation for both days, may attend the event. Register online at: http://events.sa-meetings.com/SyncWithSTO. Registration opens June 23, 2017 and closes on July 17, 2017.

LINKS: FBO

Emergent R&D

Department of Defense (Defense), Defense Logistics Agency

Notice announcing an update of the Emergent II Broad Agency Announcement for the acquisition of research and development in accordance with Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 35.016 to include revised points of contact and added areas of interest.

White papers are to be submitted only by e-mail to: RANDD.DCSO@dla.mil. Label and direct questions related to this broad agency announcement to the R&D mailbox: RANDD.DCSO@dla.mil. See the solicitation for a complete list of revised areas of interest.

LINKS: FBO

Request for Information (RFI) Confidence Levels for the Social and Behavioral Sciences

Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA), Department of Defense (Defense) , Defense Sciences Office (DSO)

Notice seeking information on new ideas and approaches for creating (semi)automated capabilities to assign "Confidence Levels" to specific studies, claims, hypotheses, conclusions, models, and/or theories found in social and behavioral science research.

Responses are due by August 24, 2017 at 4:00 pm ET.

LINKS: FBO
FY 2018 Research Opportunities in High Energy Physics

Department of Energy (Energy), Office of Science

Notice seeking applications related to high-energy physics that investigates how the universe works at its most fundamental level, which is done by discovering the elementary constituents of matter and energy, probing the interactions between them, and exploring the basic nature of space and time. Focus areas include: Experimental Research at the Energy Frontier in High Energy Physics; Experimental Research at the Energy Frontier in High Energy Physics; Experimental Research at the Cosmic Frontier in High Energy Physics; Theoretical Research in High Energy Physics; Accelerator Science and Technology Research & Development in High Energy Physics; and Detector Research and Development in High Energy Physics.

Optional letters of intent are due by August 10, 2017. Applications are due by September 12, 2017. Approximately $20 million is available to support between 10-100 awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Robotic Servicing of Geosynchronous Satellites Technology Transfer Opportunity

Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA), Department of Defense (Defense), Tactical Technology Office (TTO)

Notice seeking proposals to contribute to answering that question by developing technologies that would enable cooperative inspection and servicing of satellites in GEO, and to demonstrate those technologies on-orbit within the next five years. Under the RSGS vision, a DARPA-developed modular toolkit, including hardware and software, would be joined to a privately developed spacecraft to create a commercially owned and operated Robotic Servicing Vehicle (RSV) that could make on-orbit "house calls" to service satellites in GEO.

Applications are due June 29, 2018.

LINKS: FBO

NASA Astrophysics Advisory Committee; Meeting

National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)

Notice announcing meeting that will be held for the purpose of soliciting, from the scientific community and other persons, scientific and technical information relevant to program planning.

The meeting will be held on July 19, 2017 8:30 am-5:00 pm at NASA Headquarters, Room 6H42, 300 E Street SW., Washington, DC, and Thursday, July 20, 2017, 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m at Residence Inn Capitol, Senate Room, 333 E Street SW., Washington, DC.

LINKS: Federal Register

Agency Information Collection Activities: OMB Control Number 1018-0123; International Conservation Grant Programs

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

Notice seeking comments on the application and reporting process for FWS international conservation grant programs.

Comments are due August 28, 2017.

LINKS: Federal Register
Information Collection Being Reviewed by the Federal Communications Commission

Federal Communications Commission (FCC)

Notice seeking comments on the FCC's collection titled "Part 25 of the Federal Communications Commission's Rules Governing the Licensing of, and Spectrum Usage by, Commercial Earth Stations and Space Stations."

Comments will be accepted through August 28, 2017.

LINKS: Federal Register

Metal Diaphragm Tanks for Hypergolic Propellant

National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) , Marshall Space Flight Center

Notice seeking information from interested parties about potential sources for Development of a Lander Propulsion System. They are looking for interested parties with the capabilities to provide MON25 and MMH propulsion tanks.

Responses are due July 14, 2017.

LINKS: FBO