ARTS, HUMANITIES AND INTERNATIONAL

Building Capacity in Police Forces, Local Governments and Communities in Gender Based Violence

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

Notice seeking applications to implement a project on Building capacity in police forces, local governments and communities in gender Based Violence, as a prevention factor for narco-trafficking and femicides.

Applications are due October 31, 2017. Approximately $150,000 is available. Educational institutions based in Costa Rica are eligible.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Comunitatea Mea/ My Community

United States Agency for International Development (USAID), Ukraine USAID-Kiev

Notice seeking applications to build local government’s capacity to meet citizens’ needs. By increasing the capacity of local authorities, including their ability to work inclusively with citizens and civil society, not only services will be improved but checks and balances between the central and local governments will be strengthened.

Applications are due October 20, 2017. Approximately $20.5 million is available.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Human Rights and Labor Programs in Bangladesh

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

Notice seeking applications for projects that support the diversification of the Bangladesh economy by assisting efforts to promote good jobs in sectors beyond the ready-made garment sector.

Applications are due November 3, 2017. Approximately $1 million is available to support one to two awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Strengthening National, State, and Local Level Anti-Corruption Efforts in Nigeria

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

Notice seeking applications to develop strategic national, state, and local level anti-corruption programming to complement traditional anti-corruption efforts led by the GON and donors. The project will work at the national, state, and local level, in each geopolitical zone, and in coordination with relevant civil society stakeholders thereby creating networks of change and collective action throughout Nigeria.

Applications are due October 31, 2017. Approximately $2 million is available to support one award.

LINKS: Grants.gov
Cultural Property Advisory Committee; Notice of Meeting

Department of State (State)

Notice announcing a meeting of the State Department Cultural Property Advisory Committee to review a proposal to extend the memorandum of understanding between the United States of America and the Kingdom of Cambodia concerning the imposition of import restrictions on archaeological materials.

The meeting will be held on October 23, 2017 from 10:00 am to 11:00 am ET. Participants will join the meeting electronically and must visit http://culturalheritage.state.gov to gain instructions on how to access the meeting no later than October 16, 2017. Submit written comments to: http://www.regulations.gov, enter the docket [DOS-2017-0036] and follow the prompts.

LINKS: Federal Register

COMAC (Conflict Mitigation Assistance for Civilians)

United States Agency for International Development (USAID), Afghanistan USAID-Kabul

Notice seeking applications to assist civilian Afghan families and communities suffering losses from military operations against the Taliban and other insurgent groups.

Applications are due November 1, 2017. Approximately $40 million is available to support one award.

Limited Submission: Only one application per organization

LINKS: Grants.gov

FY 2018 English Language Fellow and Specialist Program

Department of State (State), Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA)

Notice seeking applications in the improvement of English teaching capacity around the world and the enhancement of mutual understanding between the people of the United States and the people of other countries through exchanges of U.S. English language educators to all regions of the world.

Applications are due November 17, 2017. Approximately $16 million is available.

Limited Submission: One application is allowed per institution.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Human Heredity and Health in Africa (H3Africa): Ethical, Legal, and Societal Issues (ELSI) Research Program (U01)

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Human Genome Research Institute (NHGRI)

Notice seeking applications to study the ethical, legal and societal issues of human genome research in African populations. Of particular interest are projects that propose focused bioethical, legal, and social science analyses of new or emerging issues.

Optional letters of intent due 30 days prior to the application due date. Applications are due December 6, 2017. Approximately $1.6 million is available for three awards to support projects lasting up to four years. Eligibility is limited to African institutions but opportunities may exist for collaboration with U.S. colleges and universities.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation
Preventing Violent Extremism in Central Asia

United States Agency for International Development (USAID)

Notice seeking expressions of interest supporting efforts to generate new evidence and validate existing theories about why people in Central Asia adopt violent extremist ideologies and/or provide support to violent extremist organizations (VEO). Program goals include: Reduce societal support for intolerant and violent extremist ideologies; Build the capacity of institutions to identify and intervene in the process of radicalization and support for VEOs; and Interventions targeted at individual vulnerability to VEO recruitment and influence.

Expressions of interest are due by October 20, 2017.

LINKS: FBO

__Round 2 - Harnessing Local Innovations, Expertise and Partnerships to Solve Development Challenges in Asia__

United States Agency for International Development (USAID)

Notice seeking applications supporting efforts to co-create, co-design, co-invest, and collaborate in the research, development, piloting, testing, and scaling of innovative, practical and cost-effective interventions to address development challenges in Asia. Funds support efforts to identify other new technologies, innovative solutions, and promising activity approaches that can solve development problems in the Asia region.

Applications are accepted at any time until September 19, 2018. Multiple awards are anticipated.

LINKS: Grants.gov, FBO

__USAID’s Accelerating Universal Access to Family Planning (AUAFP)__

United States Agency for International Development (USAID)

Notice seeking applications supporting efforts to increase utilization of family planning (FP) services in Bangladesh through universal health coverage. Funds support efforts focused on: strengthening capacity to more effectively train medical providers and community health workers in FP in both the public and private sectors; and, focusing and expanding public sector FP information and services to high need groups such as adolescents, youth, newlyweds, and postpartum girls and women.

Applications are due by November 6, 2017. Approximately $40 million is available to support one award.

LINKS: Grants.gov

__U.S. Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy; Notice of Meeting__

Department of State (State)

Notice announcing a meeting of the U.S. Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy on the state and trajectory of public diplomacy, including a presentation and discussion of key findings from the Commission’s 2017 Comprehensive Annual Report on Public Diplomacy and International Broadcasting.

The meeting will be held from 10:30 am until 12:00 pm, Thursday, September 28, 2017 at the U.S. Capitol Visitor Center (SVC) 212-10 (First St. NE., Washington, DC

LINKS: Federal Register
EDUCATION and ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Cooperative Research Units Program FY 2018

Department of the Interior (Interior), Geological Survey

Notice seeking applications that facilitates the linkage of the research and information needs of federal, state and other natural resource managers and professionals with the expertise and facilities of leading research universities, and graduate student training.

Applications are due June 19, 2018. Only CRU Cooperating Universities are eligible to apply to the RWO component of the Cooperative Research Unit Program.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Air University Board of Visitors Meeting

Department of Defense (Defense)

Notice announcing a meeting of the Air University Board of Visitors. The purpose of the meeting is to provide independent advice and recommendations on matters pertaining to the educational, doctrinal, and research policies and activities of Air University.

The meeting will take place on Monday, November 13, 2017, from 8:00 am to approximately 5 pm and Tuesday, November 14, 2017, from 7:30 am to approximately 3:00 pm CT. in the Air University Commander's Conference Room located in Building 800 at Maxwell Air force Base, AL.

LINKS: Federal Register

Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Advisory Committee

National Archives and Records Administration (NARA), Office of Government Information Services (OGIS)

Notice announcing an upcoming Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Advisory Committee meeting. The purpose of this meeting will be to review the work of the committee's three subcommittees. https://ogis.archives.gov/foia-advisory-committee/2016-2018-term/Subcommittees.htm.

The meeting will be held October 19, 2017, from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm ET at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA); 700 Pennsylvania Avenue NW.; William G. McGowan Theater, Washington, DC. You must register for the meeting by 5:00 pm ET on October 17, 2017.

LINKS: Federal Register

FY18 Guidelines For Brownfields Cleanup Grants

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

Notice seeking applications to prevent, inventory, assess, clean up, and reuse brownfield sites. A brownfield site is real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of hazardous substances, pollutants, contaminants, controlled substances, petroleum or petroleum products, or is mine-scarred land.

Applications are due November 16, 2017. Approximately $7.5 million is available for 28 awards to support projects lasting up to three years.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation
Army Education Advisory Subcommittee Meeting Notice

Army (Army), Department of Defense (Defense)

Notice announcing a meeting of the Command and General Staff College (CGSC) Board of Visitors, a subcommittee of the Army Education Advisory Committee, to provide the Subcommittee with an overview of CGSC academic programs, with focus on the College's two degree-granting schools: The Command and General Staff School and the School of Advanced Military Studies. This will be an informational meeting with particular focus on the possibility of establishing additional degree programs at CGSC.

The meeting will be held from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm CT on November 6 from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm CT on November 7, 2017 at the U. S. Army Command and General Staff College, Lewis and Clark Center, 100 Stimson Ave., Bell Conference Room, Ft. Leavenworth, KS.

LINKS: Federal Register

International Standards on the Transport of Dangerous Goods

Department of Transportation (DOT), Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA)

Notice announcing a meeting to gain public input on current proposals and discuss potential new work items for inclusion in the agenda of the 52nd session of the United Nations Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods held in Geneva, Switzerland from November 27 to December 6, 2017. A second meeting will be led by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration to discuss proposals in preparation for the 34th session of the United Nations Sub-Committee of Experts on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals held in Geneva, Switzerland from December 6 to 8, 2017.

The meetings will be held on Tuesday, November 14, 2017, at DOT Headquarters, West Building, Oklahoma City Conference Room, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC. The first meeting will be held from 9:00 am to noon ET. The second meeting will be held from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm ET.

LINKS: Federal Register, Agency Site

National Advisory Committee on Racial, Ethnic and Other Populations

Census Bureau (CB)

Notice announcing a meeting of the National Advisory Committee on Racial, Ethnic and Other Populations, to discuss the production and dissemination of detailed demographic and economic statistics across all program areas, including the Decennial Census programs.

The meeting will be held from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm ET on Thursday November 2 and 8:30 am to 2:00 pm on November 3, 2017.

LINKS: Federal Register

Promise Neighborhoods Program (Extension for Texas or Louisiana)

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

Notice extending the deadline for the Promise Neighborhoods Program for applicants in Texas and Louisiana, in light of recent storms. The program supports efforts to significantly improve the academic and developmental outcomes of children living in the most distressed communities of the United States, including ensuring school readiness, high school graduation, and access to a community-based continuum of high-quality services. Funds serve neighborhoods with high concentrations of low-income individuals; multiple signs of distress, which may include high rates of poverty, childhood obesity, academic failure, and juvenile delinquency, adjudication, or incarceration. Applications are now due by October 6, 2017 for affected applicants.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Federal Register
Proposed Information Collection Request; Comment Request; Survey on Clean Water Act Hazardous Substances and Spill Impacts

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

Notice requesting comment on new collection titled “Survey on Clean Water Act Hazardous Substances and Spill Impacts”.

Comments will be accepted through November 30, 2017.

LINKS: Federal Register

HEALTH and MENTAL HEALTH

Human Studies of Target Identification, Biomarkers and Disease Mechanisms Specific to CNS Small Blood and Lymphatic Vessels (R01)

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

Notice seeking applications to facilitate the development and translation of tools and technology for non-invasive imaging and profiling of human central nervous system (CNS, including retina) small blood and lymphatic vessels; to investigate their role in CNS physiology, disease, repair processes, and responses to therapy using novel approaches.

Requested letters of intent are due November 11, 2017. Applications are due December 11, 2017. Approximately $6 million is available to support 20 awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Infrastructure Support to the Mozambican Health System to Scale-Up HIV/AIDS and TB Services on Behalf of the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR)

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

Notice seeking applications to provide technical assistance to address Mozambican Ministry of Health infrastructure needs as well as providing overall alternative solutions to improving the health infrastructure either through renovations, prefabricated structures, or equipment necessary for the improvement of HIV/AIDS and tuberculosis services across the clinical cascade.

Applications are due November 14, 2017. Approximately $10 million is available for two awards to support projects lasting up to five years.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Innovative Approaches or Technologies to Investigate Regional, Structural and Functional Heterogeneity of CNS Small Blood and Lymphatic Vessels (R01)

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

Notice seeking applications focused on the development of new technology and tools, or novel mechanistic studies, or a combination of mechanistic and technology development studies specific to central nervous system (CNS, which includes retina) small blood and lymphatic vessels in health and disease, across the life span. The program aims at facilitating the development of tools and technology to image, profile and map CNS small blood and lymphatic vessels.

Requested letters of intent are due November 11, 2017. Applications are due December 11, 2017. Approximately $6 million is available to support 20 awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation
NIH Science Education Partnership Award (SEPA) (R25)

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute of General Medical Sciences (NIGMS)

Notice seeking applications to support educational activities that complement and/or enhance the training of a workforce to meet the nation’s biomedical, behavioral and clinical research needs.

Requested letters of intent are due 30 days prior to the application due date. Applications are due November 20, 2017; July 9, 2018; and July 9, 2019. Approximately $2 million is available.

Limited Submission: Only one application per institution is allowed.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

NIMH Research Education Mentoring Programs for HIV/AIDS Researchers (R25)

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

Notice seeking applications to develop creative educational activities with a primary focus on research experiences and mentoring activities that either capitalize on existing networks of collaborating investigators or develop institute-based research education programs. Both research experiences and mentoring activities are required; research experiences are primary.

Optional letters of intent are due 30 days prior to the application due date. Annual applications are due September 7, 2018 through September 7, 2020. Multiple awards are available to support projects lasting up to five years.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

NINR Center of Excellence (P30)

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

Notice seeking applications to deliver interdisciplinary, bio behavioral research for scientists conducting research in multiple complex chronic conditions in human adult populations.

Letters of intent are due 30 days prior to the application due date. Applications are due November 30, 2017. Approximately $2 million is available to multiple awards lasting up to five years.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Science of Behavior Change: Revision Applications for Use-inspired Research to Optimize Adherence, Behavior Change Interventions, and Outcomes (R01)

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA)

Notice seeking revision applications to advance a mechanisms-focused, experimental medicine approach to behavior change research. Funded projects in the SOBC Research Network (https://commonfund.nih.gov/behaviorchange/fundedresearch) have developed experimental manipulations, assays, and/or measures (hereafter referred to as “assays” for brevity) to support an experimental medicine approach to behavior change research.

Requested letters of intent are due November 5, 2017. Applications are due December 5, 2017. Approximately $5.25 million per year is available to support 10 to 20 awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation
Science of Behavior Change: Revision Applications for Use-inspired Research to Optimize Adherence, Behavior Change Interventions, and Outcomes (R34)

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA)

Notice seeking revision applications to accelerate the adaptation, validation, and translation of SOBC Research Network assays for use in ongoing clinical trials. This FOA calls for the integration of SOBC Research Network assays into active NIH-supported clinical trials of drugs, devices, procedures, or behavior modifications.

Requested letters of intent are due November 5, 2017. Applications are due December 5, 2017. Approximately $5.25 million per year is available to support 10 to 20 awards for two years.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Science of Behavior Change: Revision Applications for Use-inspired Research to Optimize Adherence, Behavior Change Interventions, and Outcomes (U01)

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA)

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Requested letters of intent are November 5, 2017. Applications are due December 5, 2017. Approximately $5.25 million per year is available to support 10 to 20 awards for two years.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Science of Behavior Change: Use-inspired Research to Optimize Adherence, Behavior Change Interventions, and Outcomes (R21)

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA)

Notice seeking applications to leverage SOBC Measures Repository assays of putative targets in self-regulation, stress reactivity and stress resilience, and interpersonal and social processes domains to (1) engage a selected putative target(s)/mechanism(s) of action or verify target engagement of the selected target(s)/mechanism(s) of action, and (2) test the degree to which engaging the putative target(s)/mechanism(s) of action produces a short-term desired change in a health behavior.

Requested letters of intent are due November 5, 2017. Applications are due December 5, 2017. Approximately $5.25 million per year is available to support 10 to 20 awards for two years.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation
Advisory Committee to the Director (ACD), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)-Health Disparities Subcommittee (HDS)

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

Notice announcing a meeting of the Advisory Committee to the Director, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention—Health Disparities Subcommittee. The purpose is to provide counsel to ACD, CDC on strategic and other health disparities and health equity issues and provide guidance on opportunities for CDC.

The meeting will be held on November 9, 2017, 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. ET. CDC, Building 21, 12th Floor, Rooms 12105-12101, 1600 Clifton Road NE., Atlanta, Georgia 30329.

LINKS: Federal Register

Clinical Laboratory Improvement Advisory Committee

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

Notice announcing a meeting of the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Advisory Committee. The purpose is to provide advice and guidance pertain to general issues related to improvement in clinical laboratory quality and laboratory medicine practice and specific questions related to possible revision of the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendment (CLIA) standards.

The meeting will be held on November 1, 2017, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., EDT and November 2, 2017, 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., EDT. CDC, 2500 Century Center Boulevard, Rooms 1200/1201, Atlanta, Georgia 30345 and http://cdclabtraining.adobeconnect.com/cliac.

LINKS: Federal Register

Healthcare Infection Control Practices Advisory Committee

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

Notice announcing meeting for the Healthcare Infection Control Practices Advisory Committee (HICPAC). The agenda will include updates on CDC’s activities for prevention of healthcare associated infections (HAIs), and DHQP’s modeling efforts. It will also include updates from the following HICPAC workgroups.

The meeting will be held on November 8, 2017, 9:00 am to 5:00 pm, ET and November 9, 2017, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm., ET at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Global Communications Center, Building 19, Auditorium B, 1600 Clifton Road NE., Atlanta, Georgia.

LINKS: Federal Register

Directed Energy Counter-Unmanned Aircraft Systems (DE C-UAS)

Department of Defense (Defense)

Notice seeking information to identify cost-effective acquisition options to facilitate an upcoming experimentation demonstration using directed energy technology to counter unmanned aircraft systems.

Responses are due October 15, 2017.

LINKS: FBO
Biology of Aging Dental, Oral and Craniofacial Tissues (R01 & R21 - Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

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

Notice seeking applications to improve oral health in older adults by addressing knowledge gaps in our understanding of the basic biology of age-associated changes in health and disease states of dental, oral, and craniofacial tissues.

Optional letters of intent are due December 31, 2017. Applications are due January 31, 2018. Approximately $2 million is available for four to five R01 grants to support projects lasting up to five years and $1 million is available for three to four R21 grants to support projects lasting up to two years.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation, Solicitation

BRAIN Initiative: Research Resource Grants for Technology Integration and Dissemination (U24)

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

Notice seeking applications supporting efforts to disseminate resources and to integrate them into neuroscience research practice. Focus areas include: distribution of tools and reagents; user training on the usage of new technologies or techniques; providing access to existing technology platforms and specialized facilities; minor improvements to increase the scale/efficiency of resource production and delivery; minor adaptations to meet the needs of a user community.

Optional letters of intent are due by January 9, 2018. Applications are due by February 9, 2018. Approximately $10 million is available to support 10 to 20 awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Development of Valid Reliable Markers of Aging-Related Biologic Mechanisms for Human Studies (U01)

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

Notice seeking applications to develop valid markers to assess the activity of fundamental aging mechanisms in humans that may influence the risk and progression of multiple aging conditions.

Requested letters of intent are due December 30, 2017. Applications are due January 30, 2018. Approximately $2 million is available to support three to four awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

High Impact Neuroscience Research Resource Grants (R24)

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS)

Notice seeking applications supporting high impact efforts to make resources available to neuroscience researchers. Supported efforts include: facilitating access to cutting edge reagents or techniques; dissemination of resources to new user groups; or innovative approaches to increase the scale/efficiency of resource production and delivery. Projects should address compelling needs of broad communities of neuroscience researchers or should offer unique services that otherwise would be unavailable.

Optional letters of intent are due by January 9, 2018. Applications are due by February 9, 2018. Approximately $1.2 million is available to support up to five awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation
New Onset Depressive Symptoms in Acute Illness (R01 & R21 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

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

Notice seeking applications for research on the etiology of depressive symptoms that occur in the context of a sudden onset acute illness. For R21 grants, applicants should seek to foster the introduction of novel scientific ideas, model systems, tools, agents, targets, and technologies that have the potential to substantially advance biomedical research.

Optional letters of intent are due 30 days before the application deadline. R01 applications are due February 5, June 5, and October 5 and R21 applications are due February 16, June 16, and October 16 annually. The programs expire on January 8, 2021. Award amounts may vary for projects lasting up to five years (R01) or two years (R21).

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation, Solicitation

NINDS Morris K. Udall Centers of Excellence for Parkinson's Disease Research (P50)

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

Notice seeking applications supporting efforts to establish a network of Centers that work collaboratively as well as independently to define the causes of and discover improved treatments for Parkinson’s disease (PD), and rapidly advance synergistic, interdisciplinary research programs while serving as national leaders in PD research. Applicants must have: a minimum of three research projects; research cores that are each essential to accomplish the aims of at least two proposed research projects, plus an Administrative Core; a mission statement and plan for career enhancement of Center researchers; and a plan for effective outreach to the local patient community.

Optional letters of intent are due by November 15, 2017. Applications are due by December 15, 2017. Approximately $4.5 million is available to support up to two awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Population-Based Model Organism Research for G x E Exploration in Complex Disease Outcomes (R01 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

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

Notice seeking applications will support research using population-based model organism resources for environmental health science and toxicology questions. This FOA is particularly interested in the interplay between environment, genetics, and epigenetics and the identification and understanding of host susceptibility to environmental exposures, relevant to human disease outcomes.

Requested letters of intent December 31, 2017. Applications are due February 1, 2018. Approximately $4 million is available to support six awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Service Area Competition (Round 6)

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

Notice seeking applications to improve the health of the Nation’s underserved communities and vulnerable populations by assuring continued access to affordable, quality primary health care services.

Applications are due November 20, 2017. Approximately $246.7 million is available to support 85 awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov
Short-term Mentored Career Enhancement Awards for Mid-Career Investigators to Integrate Basic Behavioral and Social Sciences (K18)

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) , Office of Behavioral and Social Sciences Research (OBSSR)

Notice seeking applications for short-term mentored career development (K18) awards that improve synergies among researchers in basic and applied behavioral-social sciences, human subjects and model animals settings; and biomedical and behavioral-social sciences.

Applications are due March 6, 2018 and 2019.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

2017 Scientific Meeting of the National Antimicrobial Resistance Monitoring System; Public Meeting; Request for Comments

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

Notice announcing a meeting entitled “2017 Scientific Meeting of the National Antimicrobial Resistance Monitoring System.”

The meeting will be held October 24 and 25, 2017 from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm ET at 14th and Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC. All attendees must pre-register online by emailing laura.bradbard@fda.hhs.gov with the subject line “NARMS Public Meeting 2017” with information including name, title, organization, address, and telephone and Fax numbers.

LINKS: Federal Register

Board of Scientific Counselors, Office of Public Health Preparedness and Response, (BSC, OPHPR)

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

Notice announcing a meeting for the Board of Scientific Counselors, Office of Public Health Preparedness and Response, (BSC, OPHPR).

The meeting will be held October 30, 2017 from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm and October 31, 2017 from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm ET. Pre-registration is required. October 30 registration is https://adobeconnect.cdc.gov/e7yrlzismvq/event/registration.html. October 31 registration is https://adobeconnect.cdc.gov/e4icit9ctcz/event/registration.html.

LINKS: Federal Register

Dermatologic and Ophthalmic Drugs Advisory Committee; Notice of Meeting; Establishment of a Public Docket; Request for Comments

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

Notice announcing a meeting of the Dermatologic and Ophthalmic Drugs Advisory Committee.

The meeting will be held October 13, 2017 from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm ET at 10903 New Hampshire Ave., Silver Spring, MD.

LINKS: Federal Register
Drug Development in Pediatric Heart Failure: Extrapolation, Clinical Trial Design, and Endpoints; Public Workshop

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

Notice announcing a workshop entitled “FDA-University of Maryland CERSI Drug Development in Pediatric Heart Failure: Extrapolation, Clinical Trial Design, and Endpoints.” The purpose is to address challenges related to the evaluation of products in pediatric heart failure including population to study, endpoints, and extrapolation of adult efficacy data.

The workshop will be held October 27, 2017 from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm ET at 10903 New Hampshire Ave, Silver Spring, MD.

LINKS: Federal Register

Genomic Medicine Program Advisory Committee; Notice of Meeting

Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)

Notice announcing a meeting of the Genomic Medicine Program Advisory Committee to provide advice and make recommendations to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs on using genetic information to optimize medical care for Veterans and to enhance development of tests and treatments for diseases particularly relevant to Veterans.

The meeting will be held from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm ET on November 2, 2017 at the Hilton Garden Inn, 1225 First Street NE., Washington, DC

LINKS: Federal Register

Special Medical Advisory Group; Notice of Meeting

Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)

Notice announcing a meeting of the Special Medical Advisory Group to advise the Secretary of Veterans Affairs and the Under Secretary for Health on the care and treatment of Veterans, and other matters pertinent to the Veterans Health Administration.

The meeting will be held from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm ET on October 18, 2017, at the Department of Veterans Affairs, VA Central Office, 810 Vermont Ave, Washington, DC Conference Room 230.

LINKS: FBO

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

Nuclear Forensics Research Award

Department of Homeland Security (Homeland Security)

Notice seeking applications to support the establishment of a team of faculty, students, and technical staff at the national or defense laboratories to conduct research in the field of nuclear forensics.

Applications are due January 31, 2018. Approximately $250,000 is available.

LINKS: Grants.gov
Advisory Committee for Cyberinfrastructure; Notice of Meeting
National Science Foundation (NSF)

Notice announcing a meeting of the National Science Foundation to: 1) discuss the impact of agency policies, programs and activities in the ACI community; and 2) provide advice to the Director on issues related to long-range planning.

The meeting will be held on November 1 and November 2, 2017 from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm ET at the National Science Foundation, 2415 Eisenhower Avenue, Room E3430, Alexandria, VA.

LINKS: Federal Register

Advisory Committee for Environmental Research and Education; Notice of Meeting
National Science Foundation (NSF)

Notice announcing a meeting of the National Science Foundation to discuss recommendations, and oversight concerning support for environmental research and education.

The meeting will be held on October 30, 2017 from 9:00 am to 5:30 pm and October 31, 2017 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm ET at the National Science Foundation, 2415 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, VA.

LINKS: Federal Register

Advisory Committee for Geosciences; Notice of Meeting
National Science Foundation (NSF)

Notice announcing a meeting of the National Science Foundation to provide advice, recommendations, and oversight on support for geoscience research and education including atmospheric, geo-space, earth, ocean and polar sciences.

The meetings will be held on October 18, 2017 from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm and October 19, 2017 from 8:30 am to 2:00 pm ET at the National Science Foundation, 2415 Eisenhower Avenue, Room E 2020, Alexandria, Virginia.

LINKS: Federal Register

Committee on Equal Opportunities in Science and Engineering; Notice of Meeting
National Science Foundation (NSF)

Notice announcing a meeting of the National Science Foundation to study data, programs, policies, and other information pertinent to the National Science Foundation and to provide advice and recommendations concerning broadening participation in science and engineering.

The meeting will be held on October 12, 2017 from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm ET at the National Science Foundation, 2415 Eisenhower Avenue, Conference Room West 17000, Alexandria, VA. To help facilitate your entry into the building, contact Illinois Johnson at: ijohnson@nsf.gov by October 10, 2017.

LINKS: Federal Register
NASA International Space Station Advisory Committee; Meeting

National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)

Notice announcing a meeting of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration to discuss all aspects related to the safety and operational readiness of the ISS, and to assess the possibilities for using the ISS for future space exploration.

The meeting will be held on October 16, 2017 from 10:00 am to 11:00 am ET at NASA Headquarters, Glennan Conference Room (1Q39), 300 E Street SW., Washington, DC. Call and/or email agency contact person to participate telephonically by October 12, 2017.

LINKS: Federal Register

Costs and Benefits of Net Energy Metering: Request for Information

Department of Energy (Energy)

Notice seeking information to identify stakeholder input on existing studies assessing the costs and benefits of net metering, and the availability of data that can be used in conducting such studies conducted by the U.S. Department of Energy.

Public comments are due October 30, 2017. Email comments to: mailto:2017EnergyMetering0056@ee.doe.gov. Include EERE-2017-OT-0056 in the subject line. Limit comments to eight pages.

LINKS: Federal Register

Human Studies Review Board Advisory Committee; Request for Nominations

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

Notice announcing that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is inviting nominations from a diverse range of qualified candidates with expertise in the area of bioethics and statistics to be considered for appointment to its Human Studies Review Board federal advisory committee.


LINKS: Federal Register

Request for Information on Solar Energy Technology Analysis & Data Needs

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

Notice seeking input on integrated data and analysis needs across the solar value chain to inform near to mid-term plans for the development of resources such as information based network planning, real time optimization, and bankability tools in the context of DOE's SunShot 2030 goals.

Responses are due by October 6, 2017.

LINKS: Federal Register
Stakeholder Listening Opportunity for Priorities in Research, Education and Extension

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

Notice announcing a series of listening sessions and stakeholder feedback meetings to discuss “NIFA Listens: Investing in Science to Transform Lives”, an initiative created to further the mission of the National Institute of Food and Agriculture by informing stakeholders about investing in and advancing agricultural research, education and extension to solve societal challenges.

Submit online input to the target questions through December 1, 2017. Full day (in-person) listening meetings will be held October 19, October 26, November 2 and November 8, 2017 from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm local time. National meeting locations vary. In-person listening session participants must RSVP no later than October 12, 2017. Register and/or submit online comments here: https://nifa.usda.gov/nifalistens

LINKS: Federal Register

Advanced Explosive Trace Detection Industry Day

Department of Homeland Security (Homeland Security)

Notice announcing an industry day in the area of trace explosive detection capabilities for use in the Homeland Security Enterprise. The event will consist of presentations by government and sponsored researchers who are exploring fundamental science related to contact and non-contact sampling and characterizing trace explosive threats.

Registration is due by October 17, 2017 at 5:00 ET. The meeting will be held on October 24 & 25, 2017 from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm ET at the : Homeland Security Acquisition Institute, 90 K Street NE, 12th Floor, Washington, D.C.

LINKS: FBO

Collaborative Research in Magnetic Fusion Energy Sciences on Long-Pulse International Stellarator Facilities

Department of Energy (Energy)

Notice seeking applications to carry out experimental research in magnetic fusion energy sciences on long-pulse overseas stellarator facilities, namely Wendelstein 7-X (Germany) and the Large Helical Device (LHD – Japan).

Pre-applications are due October 20, 2017. Invited full applications are due November 28, 2017. Approximately $2.7 million is available for multiple awards to support projects lasting up to three years.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Cyberlearning for Work at the Human-Technology Frontier

National Science Foundation (NSF), Multiple directorates

Notice supporting exploratory and synergistic research applications in learning technologies to prepare learners to excel in work at the human-technology frontier in order to educate and re-educate learners of all ages in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics content areas to ultimately function in highly technological environments, including in collaboration with intelligent systems. Learning technology research in this program should be informed by the convergence of multiple disciplines: education and learning sciences, computer and information science and engineering, and cognitive, behavioral and social sciences.

Applications are due by January 8, 2018, and then annually on the Second Monday in January. Approximately $15 million is available to support up to 20 awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation
Design and Testing of Advanced Carbon Capture Technologies

Department of Energy (Energy)

Notice seeking applications to continue the development of carbon capture technologies to either the engineering scale or to a commercial design.

Applications are due October 31, 2017. Approximately $36 million is available. A 20 percent cost share is required.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Advisory Committee for Polar Programs; Notice of Meeting

National Science Foundation (NSF)

Notice announcing a meeting of the Advisory Committee for Polar Programs.

The meeting will be held October 19, 2017 from 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm and October 20, 2017 from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm ET at 2415 Eisenhower Ave, Alexandria, VA.

LINKS: Federal Register

NASA Astrophysics Advisory Committee; Meeting

National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)

Notice announcing a meeting of the Astrophysics Advisory Committee to discuss scientific and technical information relevant to program planning. The agenda will include updates on specific astrophysics missions, reports from the Program Analysis Groups, and an update on the astrophysics research & analysis program.

The meeting will be held October 18, 2017 and October 19, 2017 from 11:00 am to 5:00 pm ET. To attend via telephone, dial 888/994-3814 and enter passcode 1833244. To attend via WebEx, see https://nasa.webex.com/. The meeting number on October 18 is 398593188 and the password is APAC@101819. The meeting number on October 19 is 397999523 and the password is APAC@101819.

LINKS: Federal Register, Agency Site

NASA Astrophysics Advisory Committee; Meeting

National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)

Notice announcing a webinar meeting of the Astrophysics Advisory Committee for the purpose of soliciting, from the scientific community and other persons, scientific and technical information relevant to program planning. Agenda items include: Astrophysics Division Update; Updates on Specific Astrophysics Missions; Reports from the Program Analysis Groups; Update on the Astrophysics Research & Analysis Program.

The webinar will be held on Wednesday, October 18, 2017, 11:00 am-5:00 pm ET; and Thursday, October 19, 2017, 11:00 am-5:00 pm ET.

LINKS: Federal Register, Agency Site
Research, Engineering and Development Advisory Committee Meeting

Department of Transportation (DOT), Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)

Notice announcing a meeting of the Research, Engineering & Development Advisory Committee meeting. The meeting agenda will include time allocated to discuss recommendations provided by the advisory committee to the FAA on research and development investments in the areas of air traffic services, airports, aircraft safety, human factors and environment and energy.

The meeting will be held on October 11, 2017 from 9:00 am to 4:30 pm ET at 800 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC.

LINKS: Federal Register

Strategic Environmental Research and Development Program Scientific Advisory Board; Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting

Department of Defense (Defense)

Notice announcing a meeting of the Strategic Environmental Research and Development Program Scientific Advisory Board to review new start research and development projects.

The meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 17, from 8:30 am to 4:50 pm ET, Wednesday, October 18, 2017, from 8:30 am to 4:40 pm ET and Thursday, October 19, 2017, from 8:30 am to 4:55 pm ET at the Potomac Institute for Policy Studies, 901 North Stuart Street, Suite 200, Arlington, VA

LINKS: Federal Register

RFI - Detection and Negation Ideas for Protecting Against Small Unmanned Air Systems

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

Notice requesting innovative technologies for countering adversary small-unmanned air systems. Focus areas include Sensing and Neutralization.

Responses are due by October 2, 2017 until 4:00 pm

LINKS: FBO