Weekly Funding Opportunities

October 20, 2014

ARTS, HUMANITIES AND INTERNATIONAL

• U.S. Department of Labor (DOL); Bureau of International Labor Affairs (ILAB): Mexico Labor Discrimination Project

Notice seeking applications for one cooperative agreement to fund a technical assistance project in Mexico. The purpose of this project is to assist the Government of Mexico in combating discrimination in employment and occupation. Questions are due October 31, 2014. Applications are due November 7, 2014. Approximately $1.39 million is available to support one award. Eligibility is unrestricted.

Links: Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Labor (DOL); Bureau of International Labor Affairs (ILAB): Building the Capacity of the Philippines Labor Inspectorate

Notice seeking applications to improve the effectiveness of labor inspections conducted by labor law compliance officers in the Philippines and to improve the effectiveness of workers, employers, and their representatives in monitoring labor rights and conducting joint assessments. Questions are due October 31, 2014. Applications are due November 10, 2014. Approximately $1 million is available to support one award for a project lasting up to 4.5 years.

Links: Grants.gov

EDUCATION and ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

• General Services Administration (GSA); Commission to Eliminate Child Abuse and Neglect Fatalities: Commission to Eliminate Child Abuse and Neglect Fatalities; Announcement of Meeting

Notice announcing a public meeting to gather national and state-specific information, researchers, and stakeholders regarding child abuse and neglect fatalities. The public meeting will be held on Thursday, October 23, 2014, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. ET, and Friday, October 24 from 12:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m. ET at the Sheraton, Burlington, 870 Williston Rd., Burlington VT. The meeting will also be accessible by teleconference.

Links: Federal Register notice

• U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs (VA); Veterans Health Administration: Funding Availability Under Supportive Services for Veteran Families Program

Notice seeking applications to provide supportive services grants to private non-profit organizations and consumer cooperatives, who will coordinate or provide supportive services to very low-income Veteran families who: (i) Are residing in permanent housing; (ii) are homeless and scheduled to become residents of permanent housing within a specified time period; or (iii) after exiting permanent housing within a specified time period, are seeking other housing that is responsive to such very low-income Veteran family's needs and preferences. Applications are due December 5, 2014. Approximately up to $93 million is available over a 3-year period for non-renewable grants to eligible entities. Private non-profit organizations are eligible.

Links: Federal Register notice

HEALTH and MENTAL HEALTH

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS): Public Meeting of the Presidential Commission for the Study of Bioethical Issues

Notice announcing that the Presidential Commission for the Study of Bioethical Issues (the Commission) will conduct its 19th meeting. At this meeting, the Commission will conclude discussions related to the BRAIN Initiative and ongoing work in neuroscience, and begin discussions about the role of deliberation and education in bioethics. The meeting is scheduled for November 5 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and November 6 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., MT and will take place at the Radisson Hotel Salt Lake City Downtown, 215 W. South Temple, Salt Lake City, UT.

Links: Website, Federal Register notice

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC): Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection and Control Advisory Committee (BCCEDCAC)

Notice announcing a meeting scheduled to discuss the National Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program (NBCCEDP); population-based activities to increase appropriate screening; screening communication tools; provider risk assessments; and effects of the Affordable Care Act on the NBCCEDP. The meeting will be held November 6, 2014, from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm, ET, and November 7, 2014 from 9:00 am to 12:30 pm, ET, via teleconference and webinar. To participate by phone, call 800/988-9707 and enter passcode 4798. To participate by webinar, go to websiteand enter conference number PW8992754 and passcode 4798.

Links: Federal Register notice

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); National Institutes of Health (NIH); Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD): Systems Developmental Biology for Understanding Embryonic Development and the Ontogeny of Structural Birth Defects (R01)

Notice seeking applications to promote systems developmental biology. In the context of this FOA, systems developmental biology is defined as research focused on understanding how biological components work together to produce the complex biological phenomena encompassing embryonic development. Letters of intent are requested 30 days before the application due date. Applications are due January 15, 2015, November 10, 2015, and November 10, 2016.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov
• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); National Institutes of Health (NIH); Multiple Institutes: Building Interdisciplinary Research Careers in Women's Health (K12)

Notice seeking applications to support mentored research career development of junior faculty members, known as BIRCWH Scholars, who have recently completed clinical training or postdoctoral fellowships, and who will be engaged in interdisciplinary basic, translational, behavioral, clinical, and/or health services research relevant to women's health, and where appropriate the use of both sexes to better understand the influence of sex as a variable on health and disease. Letters of intent are requested by December 5, 2014. Applications are due January 5, 2015. Approximately $4.9 million is available to support 12 awards.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); National Institutes of Health (NIH); National Cancer Institute (NCI); National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS): Spatial Uncertainty: Data, Modeling, and Communication (R21)

Notice seeking applications to support innovative research that identifies sources of spatial uncertainty (i.e., inaccuracy or instability of spatial or geographic information) in public health data, incorporates the inaccuracy or instability into statistical methods, and develops novel tools to visualize the nature and consequences of spatial uncertainty. Applications are due February 16, June 16, and October 16, annually. Program expires January 8, 2018.

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• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); National Institutes of Health (NIH); National Cancer Institute (NCI); National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS); National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering (NIBIB): Innovative Technologies for Differential Diagnosis of Acute Febrile Illnesses (R21/R33)

Notice seeking applications for early-stage translational research projects focused on the development of innovative, unbiased next generation, differential diagnostic technologies for acute febrile illnesses caused by infectious pathogens, excluding HIV. Letters of intent are requested by January 2, 2015. Applications are due February 2, 2015. Approximately $5.4 million is available to support 15 to 20 awards.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); National Institutes of Health (NIH); National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS); National Institute on Aging (NIA); National Institute of Nursing Research (NINR): Biobehavioral and Technological Interventions to Attenuate Cognitive Decline in Individuals with Cognitive Impairment or Dementia

Notice seeking applications to stimulate clinical research focused on biobehavioral or technological interventions to attenuate cognitive decline in individuals with dementia (such as Alzheimer’s disease, Lewy body dementia, vascular dementia), mild cognitive impairment (MCI), or disease- or age-related cognitive decline. There is particular interest in interventions that can be implemented in community settings by the affected individual, informal caregivers, or others in the community. R01 applications are due February 5, June 5 and October 5 annually. R21 applications are due February 16, June 16 and October 16 annually. Program expires January 8, 2018.

Links: R01 Solicitation, Grants.gov
R21 Solicitation, Grants.gov
• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); National Institutes of Health (NIH); National Institute of Nursing Research (NINR); National Institute on Aging (NIA): Biobehavioral and Technological Interventions to Attenuate Cognitive Decline in Individuals with Cognitive Impairment or Dementia (R15)

Notice seeking applications to clinical research focused on biobehavioral or technological interventions to attenuate cognitive decline in individuals with dementia (such as Alzheimer’s disease, Lewy body dementia, vascular dementia), mild cognitive impairment (MCI), or disease- or age-related cognitive decline. There is particular interest in interventions that can be implemented in community settings by the affected individual, informal caregivers, or others in the community. Research to inform the development of such interventions is also of interest, as well as research examining underlying mechanisms and biomarkers associated with response to interventions. Applications are due February 25, June 25, and October 25, annually. Standard AIDS dates apply. The expiration date is January 8, 2018. The applicant organization must offer baccalaureate or advanced degrees in biomedial or behavioral sciences and may not receive research support from the NIH totaling more than $6 million per year (in both direct and F&A/indirect costs) in each of 4 of the last 7 years.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); National Institutes of Health (NIH); National Library of Medicine (NLM): National Library of Medicine; Board of Regents of the National Library of Medicine; Subcommittee on Outreach and Public Information; Notice of Meetings

Notice announcing meetings of the Board of Regents of the National Library of Medicine and its Subcommittee on Outreach and Public Information. The subcommittee will review and discuss outreach activities. The Board of Regents will discuss NLM programs. The Subcommittee will meet February 10, 2015 from 7:45 to 8:45 am, ET, and the Board of Regents will meet February 11, 2015, from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm, ET, at NLM, Building 38, 2nd Floor, Conference Room B, 8600 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD.

Links: Federal Register notice

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); National Institutes of Health (NIH); National Library of Medicine (NLM); Lister Hill National Center for Biomedical Communications; Board of Scientific Counselors: National Library of Medicine; Board of Scientific Counselors, Lister Hill National Center for Biomedical Communications; Notice of Meeting

Notice announcing a meeting to discuss research and development programs and the preparation of reports. The open portions of the meeting will be held April 9, 2015, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm, ET, and April 10, 2015, from 10:00 am to 11:00 am, ET, at NLM, Building 38, 2nd Floor, Board Room, 8600 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD.

Links: Federal Register notice

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); National Institutes of Health (NIH); National Library of Medicine (NLM); National Center for Biotechnology Information (NCBI); Board of Scientific Counselors: National Library of Medicine; Board of Scientific Counselors, National Center for Biotechnology Information; Notice of Meeting

Notice announcing a meeting of the NCBI Board of Scientific Counselors to discuss NCBI programs. The open portions of the meeting will be held April 21, 2015 from 8:30 am to 12:00 pm and from 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm, ET, at NLM, Building 38, 2nd Floor, Board Room, 8600 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD.

Links: Federal Register notice

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, and MATHEMATICS

• NASA: Vendor Collaboration NASA MSFC Marshall Technology Exposition

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) Headquarters has released a solicitation, titled NASA Space Technology Research Fellowships (NSTRF) - Fall 2015, on September 17, 2014. The solicitation is available by opening the NASA Research Opportunities homepage at http://nspires.nasa.gov/, selecting "Solicitations," then selecting "Open Solicitations," and, finally, selecting the solicitation number "NSTRF15." NASA’s Space Technology Mission Directorate (STMD) seeks to sponsor U.S. citizen and permanent resident graduate student researchers who show significant potential to contribute to NASA’s goal of creating innovative new space technologies for our Nation’s science, exploration, and economic future. This call for graduate student fellowship applications solicits applications from individuals pursuing or planning to pursue master’s (e.g., M.S.) or doctoral (e.g., Ph.D.) degrees in relevant space technology disciplines at accredited U.S. universities. NASA Space Technology Fellows will perform innovative space technology research and will improve America’s technological competitiveness by providing the Nation with a pipeline of innovative space technologies. Selected candidates will perform research at their respective campuses and at NASA Centers and/or at nonprofit U.S. Research and Development (R&D) laboratories. In addition to his or her faculty advisor, each student will be matched with a technically relevant and community-engaged researcher who will serve as the student’s research collaborator. Through this collaboration, students will be able to take advantage of broader and/or deeper space technology research opportunities directly related to their educational and career objectives, acquire a more detailed understanding of the potential end applications of their space technology efforts, directly disseminate their research results within the NASA/nonprofit U.S. R&D lab community, and enhance their understanding of the research process. The event is scheduled for Monday, Oct. 27, 2014, at the U.S. Space and Rocket Center, Davidson Center for Space Exploration, in Huntsville, Alabama. Registration will begin at 8 a.m. and the event will conclude at 4:30 p.m. To register go to: www.nasa.gov/marshallTECexpo

Links: FBO notice
• National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA): NASA Advisory Council; Science Committee; Planetary Science Subcommittee; Meeting

Notice announcing a meeting to solicit, from the scientific community and other persons, scientific and technical information relevant to program planning. The meeting will be held November 21, 2014, from 12:00 pm to 3:00 pm, ET via telephone and WebEx. To participate via teleconference, call 888/989-3378 and enter passcode 4988706. To participate via WebEx go to https://nasa.webex.com/, and enter meeting code 993 684 123 and password PSS@Nov21.

Links: Federal Register notice

• National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA); NASA Headquarters: NASA Innovative Advanced Concepts (NIAC), Phase I

Notice seeking Phase I research proposals to investigate visionary yet credible advanced concepts in the NASA Innovative Advanced Concepts program with the potential to enable entirely new missions or great leaps in capabilities. Phase I Step A proposals are due November 12, 2014. Phase I Step B proposals have a target deadline of January 21, 2015. Approximately 12 to 16 Phase I awards of up to $100,000 are available to support projects lasting nine months.

Links: Grants.gov


Notice seeking applications for fisheries research and development projects addressing aspects of U.S. fisheries, including, but not limited to, harvesting, processing, marketing, and associated infrastructures. Applications are due December 15, 2014. Approximately $20 million is available to support multiple awards.

Links: Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Energy (DOE); Advanced Research Projects Agency - Energy (ARPA-E): Generators for Small Electrical and Thermal Systems (GENSETS)

Notice seeking concept papers to support the creation of transformational energy technologies and systems through funding and managing Research and Development (R&D) efforts. Concept Papers are due December 1, 2014. Applicants are strongly encouraged to submit their applications at least 48 hours in advance of the submission deadline.

Links: Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Energy (DOE); Golden Field Office (GFO); Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE): RFI: Photovoltaic Module Recycling

Notice announcing a request for information (RFI) to solicit feedback from industry, academia, research laboratories, government agencies, and other stakeholders on issues related to photovoltaic (PV) module recycling technology. EERE is specifically interested in information on the role of government in aiding PV module recycling and impactful areas of research in developing recycling technology. Information obtained from this RFI may be used to inform a future funding opportunity announcement. Submissions must be sent to the contact by November 14, 2014.

Links: Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Energy (DOE); National Energy Technology Laboratory (NETL): Solid-State Lighting Advanced Technology Research and Development 2015

Notice seeking concept papers to research and develop solid state lighting (SSL) technologies - including both light emitting diode and organic light emitting diode technologies in order to maximize the energy efficiency of SSL products in the market place; remove market barriers through improvements to lifetime, color quality, and lighting system performance; reduce costs of SSL sources and luminaires; improve product consistency while maintaining high quality products; and encourage the growth, leadership, and sustainability of domestic US manufacturing within the SSL industry. See the solicitation for a list of specific research topics. Concept papers are due November 14, 2014. Applications are due January 15, 2015. An informational webinar will be held October 24, 2014. Approximately $10 million is available to support 6 to 10 awards. Award duration and cost matching requirements vary according to research topic. Applicants may submit multiple applications as long as they are for distinct projects.

Links: Grants.gov


Notice announcing a public workshop to discuss the current state of technology and efforts needed to achieve affordable, scalable, and sustainable drop-in hydrocarbon biofuels derived from waste feedstocks. The workshop will be held November 5, 2014 from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm, ET, and November 6, 2014 from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm, ET at DoubleTree Hotel, 300 Army Navy Drive, Arlington, VA.

Links: Federal Register notice
STATE and REGIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

• 2015 NOAA California Bay Watershed Education and Training (B-WET) Program
  Links: Grants.gov

• Pacific Northwest (PNW) B-WET Competition
  Links: Grants.gov

• Chesapeake Bay Program Office Fiscal Year 2015 Request for Proposals for Citizens Advisory Committee and Local Government Advisory Committee Support (Agency: EPA; Location: MD, VA)
  Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov