SPOTLIGHTED OPPORTUNITIES FOR UNO

NASA Space Grant College and Fellowship Program

Louisiana Space Grant Consortium (LaSPACE). The LaSPACE Minority Research Scholars (MRS) Program is now open. The guidelines have been substantially revised.

The LaSPACE Minority Research Scholars (MRS) Program is directed at undergraduate STEM students interested in space/aerospace science and technology, and who are members of groups that are traditionally underrepresented in science and engineering professions. The intent of the MRS program is to enhance the undergraduate curriculum by providing the student with a hands-on, mentored research experience relevant to space sciences with significant financial support going directly to the student. This project will be a joint effort between a faculty researcher, who serves as mentor and project Principal Investigator (PI), and an undergraduate researcher.

Awards are for $6000 with no match requirement. The majority of the funds ($≥$5k) are to be distributed directly to the student. It is recommended that some funds be budgeted for the student to attend at least one professional meeting; including, if possible, the LaSPACE Council Meeting held in the early fall each year. No more than $500 can be used for materials and supplies. Submit all properly executed proposals via email as fully searchable pdf documents to laspace@lusu.edu by 11:59 pm on Thursday, January 28, 2016.

ARTS, HUMANITIES AND INTERNATIONAL

Building Capacity for Human Resources for Health in HIV/AIDS in the Republic of Kenya under the President’s Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR)

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

Notice seeking applications to support the strengthening and sustainability of HIV/AIDS in-service training and mentorship of health care workers (HCW) in Kenya. Funds also support as patient support programs through existing national and county systems, and updating of curricula and systems along the continuum of HCW capacity building. Applications are due by February 4, 2016. Approximately $3.2 million is available to support one to two awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Cooperative Threat Reduction FY16 Metrics

Department of State (State), Bureau of International Security and Nonproliferation (ISN)

Notice seeking applications to support assessment of the effectiveness of the bureau's nuclear, biological, and chemical security programs using existing Cooperative Threat Reduction Metrics. Funds support efforts to obtain a baseline assessment of additional partner countries, and provide policymakers with solid empirical basis to assess program effectiveness, devise new initiatives where needed, and choose among different policy options to meet future needs. Applications are due by February 12, 2016. Approximately $250,000 is available to support one award.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov

DRL Request for Statements of Interest on Programs to Support Democratic Reform and Human Rights in Burma

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

Notice seeking statements of interests to support efforts to Support Democratic Reform and Human Rights in Burma. Fund support projects in three areas: increasing transparency and accountability; promotion of respect and tolerance for religious and ethnic diversity; and amending laws that limit freedoms of speech, association and movement. Applicants must have existing, or the capacity to develop, active partnerships with thematic or in-country partners, entities, and relevant stakeholders including industry and NGOs. Statements of interest are required and due by January 15, 2016. Funding varies by project area. Limited Submission: An organization may submit no more than two statements of intent.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov
Health Systems Strengthening (HSS) Mechanism

United States Agency for International Development (USAID)

Notice seeking applications to support efforts to ensure that health sector financing in Senegal is sufficient, appropriately allocated and managed. Funds support efforts to ensure that local communities are informed, trained and empowered to make decisions about priority health needs; funding and programming decisions are data driven; and that previous improvements in health are sustained.

Applications are due January 18, 2016 at 4:00 p.m. Senegal Time. Approximately $37 million is available to support one award.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Human Rights Support Mechanism (HRSM)

United States Agency for International Development (USAID)

Notice seeking applications to support mechanisms for protection, mitigation and response to violations against human rights, in particular human rights violations affecting the most vulnerable. Funds support both leader awards, to identify effective approaches for protecting human rights and support rapid response to urgent or unforeseen human rights crises; and associate awards to support a distinct local or regional activity.

Applications are due by January 15, 2016. Approximately $25 million is available to support one leader award. Approximately $150 million is available to support multiple associate awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Improving the Quality of HIV Service Delivery and Other Priority Public Health Interventions through Training Support for Epidemiology, Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E), Survey and Laboratory Services in Nigeria

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

Notice seeking applications to support efforts to improve HIV/AIDS service delivery in Nigeria through broad-based national health systems strengthening for HIV/AIDS epidemiology, survey, and laboratory services via support for training. Funds support: implementation of short- and long-term trainings in field epidemiology; routine HIV data quality analysis, HIV program management; laboratory quality management systems; building relevant national public health structures to respond to outbreaks of other endemic diseases of public health importance in Nigeria and the West African sub-region.

Applications are due by February 7, 2016. Approximately $5 million is available to support one award.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Increasing Access to and Availability of Sustainable, High Quality, Comprehensive Health and Structural Interventions among Key Populations and Priority Populations in Nairobi, Central, and Eastern Regions of the Republic of Kenya

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

Notice seeking applications to support efforts to improve access to comprehensive HIV services, prevent new HIV infections, reduce HIV-related morbidity and mortality, and protect the rights and dignity of populations in the Nairobi, Central and Eastern regions of Kenya.

Applications are due by February 4, 2016. Approximately $10 million is available to support two to five awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov
Increasing Access to and Availability of Sustainable, High Quality, Comprehensive Health and Structural Interventions among Key Populations and Priority Populations in the Western and Rift Valley Regions of the Republic of Kenya

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

Notice seeking applications to improve access to comprehensive HIV services, prevent new HIV infections, reduce HIV-related morbidity and mortality, and protect the rights and dignity of populations in the Western and Rift Valley regions of Kenya.

Applications are due by February 4, 2016. Approximately $14 million is available to support two to five awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Promoting Civil Society Engagement on Human Rights, Democracy, and Rule of Law in Libya

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

Notice seeking applications for projects that: 1) Promote sustainable peace processes in Libya through the incorporation of civil society in both local and national dialogue processes; and/or 2) Enable a rights-respecting security sector in Libya by preparing civil society to engage in future local and national security sector reform efforts.

Applications are due February 5, 2016. Approximately $850,000 is available to support up to two awards.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov

Reinforcing Capacity at Two Centers of Excellence to Sustain the Delivery of Comprehensive HIV Clinical Services in Haiti

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

Notice seeking applications to support high quality integrated HIV prevention, care, and treatment services at two selected sites in Haiti. Funds support efforts to deliver: HIV testing and counseling services and prevention of mother to child transmission services; Pediatric and adult HIV care and treatment services with a particular emphasis on early antiretroviral therapy initiation, adherence to monitoring, retention on treatment and viral load monitoring; Prevention, diagnosis, and treatment services for TB and multi-drug resistant TB; and increased diagnosis capacity within their reference Laboratory.

Applications are due by February 4, 2016. Approximately $3 million is available to support one award. At least 75 percent of funding must go to a local entity, IHE's may partner.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Strategic Scale up of Community-Based HIV Testing and Counselling (CBHTC) and Linkage to Treatment to Optimize Response for Epidemic Control (SCORE Project) in Swaziland

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

Notice seeking applications to support Community-Based HIV Testing and Counselling services in Swaziland, using targeted community-based approaches to identify HIV-positive individuals and link them to care and treatment facilities and voluntary medical male circumcision services.

Applications are due by February 4, 2016. Approximately $2.5 million is available to support one award.

LINKS: Grants.gov
Strengthening Epidemiology and Strategic Information in the Republic of Zimbabwe

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

Notice seeking applications to support efforts to build capacity at national, provincial, and district levels in Zimbabwe to measure progress towards epidemic control and generate a strong evidence base for informed decision-making. Funds support: monitoring and evaluation efforts for HIV/AIDS, TB, and related services; health facility based surveys and surveillance; and HIV, TB, and other related prevalence and incidence population surveys.

Applications are due February 4th, 2016. Approximately $2.01 million is available to support one award.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Strengthening Health Management Information Systems, Data Use and Data Quality in the Republic of Zimbabwe under the President’s Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief

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

Notice seeking applications to support efforts to strengthen health management information systems units at national, provincial, and district levels in Zimbabwe to monitor HIV/AIDS, TB, and other health-related services; provide technical supervision for program planning, decision-making and program improvement; and develop the capacity to collect, track, report, and utilize health-related data.

Applications are due by February 4, 2016; approximately $1.5 million is available to support one award.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Supporting Implementation of Comprehensive HIV Prevention, Care and Treatment Programs in Bomu Hospital Affiliated Sites, Coptic Hospitals, and Faith-Based Sites in the Eastern Slums of Nairobi, Kenya

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

Notice seeking applications to support the expansion of comprehensive HIV prevention, care and treatment programs in: faith-based sites in the Eastern slums of Nairobi. Funds support the provision of facility-based services with strong community linkages to ensure a continuum of prevention, care, and treatment services for HIV-infected children, adults, pregnant women, and orphans and vulnerable children.

Applications are due by February 4, 2016. Approximately $18.5 million is available to support three to five awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Supporting the Implementation and Expansion of High Quality, Sustainable and Comprehensive HIV Prevention, Care and Treatment Programs in Faith-Based Organization Facilities in the Republic of Kenya

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

Notice seeking applications to support implementation and expansion of comprehensive HIV prevention, care, and treatment programs in Faith-Based Organization health facilities; establish systems for quality assurance and improvement; and strengthen county and sub-county systems for sustainable HIV service delivery in Kenya. All activities should have strong community linkages to ensure continuum of care and prevention.

Applications are due by February 4, 2016. Approximately $23 million is available to support one to three awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov
Supporting the Implementation and Expansion of High Quality, Sustainable and Comprehensive HIV Prevention, Care and Treatment Programs in the Central Region and Laikipia County of the Republic of Kenya under the President’s Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief

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

Notice seeking applications to support implementation and expansion of comprehensive HIV prevention, care, and treatment programs in Central region counties and Laikipia County in Kenya. Funds support efforts to establish systems for quality assurance and improvement and to strengthen county and sub-county systems for sustainable HIV service delivery.

Applications are due by February 4, 2016. Approximately $10 million is available to support two to four awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Supporting the Implementation and Expansion of High Quality, Sustainable and Comprehensive HIV Prevention, Care and Treatment Programs in the Eastern South Region and Nairobi County of the Republic of Kenya

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

Notice seeking applications to support implementation and expansion of comprehensive HIV prevention, care, and treatment programs in the Eastern South region of Kenya. Funds support efforts to establish systems for quality assurance and improvement and to strengthen county and sub-county systems for sustainable HIV service delivery.

Applications are due by February 4, 2016. Approximately $22 million is available to support two to four awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Supporting the Implementation and Expansion of High Quality, Sustainable and Comprehensive HIV Prevention, Care and Treatment Programs in the Western Region and Turkana County of the Republic of Kenya

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

Notice seeking applications to support implementation and expansion of comprehensive HIV prevention, care, and treatment programs in Western Kenya. Funds support efforts to establish systems for quality assurance and improvement and to strengthen county and sub-county systems for sustainable HIV service delivery.

Applications are due by February 4, 2016. Approximately $103 million is available to support three to six awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Supporting the Ministry of Health, County Health Management Teams, and Service Delivery Partners in Developing and Maintaining Health Information Systems Innovations in the Republic of Kenya

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

Notice seeking applications to support implementation of Health Information Systems (HIS) innovations for patient and disease monitoring at the county and national level to aid HIV control in Kenya. Funds support efforts to: assess national HIS landscape; evaluate HIS programs to measure their effect; set up HIS standards/interoparability framework; establish data exchange between HIS products; establish National Unique Persons Identification; set up Health Data Warehouses; set up HIS Electronic Medical Records, Laboratory Information Management Systems, and other HIS products; and institute HIS governance and policies.

Applications are due by February 4, 2016. Approximately $5 million is available to support one to two awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov
Supporting the Provision of High Quality, Comprehensive, and Sustainable HIV Services in National Teaching and Referral Hospitals in the Republic of Kenya

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

Notice seeking applications to support the implementation and expansion of comprehensive HIV prevention, care, and treatment activities in three specified National Teaching and Referral Hospitals (NT&RH) in Kenya. Funds support efforts to establish systems for quality assurance and improvement, and support strengthening of NT&RH systems for sustainable HIV service delivery.

Applications are due by February 4, 2016. Approximately $10.5 million is available to support one to two awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Technical Assistance to Host Country Public Health Institutions in Tanzania to Lead HIV Response and Develop and Sustain Systems Required to Achieve and Sustain HIV Epidemic Control

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

Notice seeking applications to support efforts to provide technical assistance to Public Health Institutions in the United Republic of Tanzania to help them lead and manage the HIV response and to build and sustain health systems. Funds support efforts to accelerate provision of comprehensive and high quality HIV/AIDS services in order to ensure continuity of services, minimize new infections, and improve the quality of life of people living with HIV.

Applications are due by February 4, 2016. Approximately $1.159 million is available to support one to three awards

LINKS: Grants.gov

Accelerating the Scale-Up of Voluntary Medical Male Circumcision for HIV Prevention for Maximum Public Health Impact in the United Republic of Tanzania under 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 support to implement quality voluntary male circumcision services in Tanzania. These services include training health care workers; procurement of commodities and supplies; health communication and demand creation; monitoring and evaluation; quality improvement activities; and providing technical assistance and supporting the integration of early infant male circumcision in reproductive and child health services.

Applications are due February 10, 2016. Approximately $9 million per year is available to support one award for a project lasting up to five years.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Advancing Community-based HIV Test, Linkage to and Retention in Care to Achieve Epidemic Control in Namibia under 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 implement a community-based package of HIV prevention, care, and support services in the 5 high HIV burden regions of Oshana, Omusati, Kavango, Zambezi, and Khomas in Namibia.

Applications are due February 10, 2016. Approximately $4.03 million per year is available to support one award for a project lasting up to five years.

LINKS: Grants.gov
Building Sustainable Laboratory Quality Systems in Côte d’Ivoire under 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 implement six activities to strengthen the existing laboratory network in Côte d’Ivoire: strengthen existing national laboratory policies and increase adherence to national guidelines by the laboratories; develop skills in biosafety and biosecurity, and implement biosafety and biosecurity measures within the laboratory network; implement quality management systems in the entire laboratory network; develop skills in management of stock for laboratory supplies; and support laboratory-related blood safety interventions to increase access to safe blood, and accreditation of three laboratories in National Blood Transfusion Services. Applications are due February 10, 2016. One award of up to $3 million per year is available to support a project lasting up to five years.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Capacity Building and Strengthening Implementation of HIV Combination Prevention and Treatment Services in Priority Geographic Locations and Populations at Facility, Community, District and Provincial Levels in the Republic of Zambia under the President’s

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

Notice seeking applications to implement clinical treatment and core combination prevention interventions—specifically those reaching priority locations with a high burden of HIV and unmet need for HIV prevention and treatment services; as well as capacity building and health system strengthening. The proposed strategies will address the current gaps in the national HIV/AIDS response such as inadequate human resources for health (HRH), inadequate laboratory diagnostic capacity, and sub-optimal coverage of HIV prevention, care and treatment services among individuals and communities and inadequate data management systems. Applications are due February 8, 2016. Approximately $20 million is available to one award for five years.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Comprehensive Community-Based HIV Prevention, Linkage, and Retention Services for Key Populations and Adolescent Girls and Young Women in the United Republic of Tanzania under 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 deliver comprehensive, high-impact HIV prevention programs as an integral part of the care continuum for key populations (including sex workers, men who have sex with men, and people who inject drugs, and adolescent girls and young women) in Tanzania. Additional priority populations may be identified for prioritization during the performance period. The goal of the FOA is to improve case detection, linkage to and retention in clinical services, adherence to antiretroviral therapy, viral suppression, and condom use and access to medication assisted therapy. Applications are due February 8, 2016. One award of approximately $630,000 per year is available to support a project lasting up to five years.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Ensuring Adequate Access to HIV/AIDS Screening, Care and Treatment to Key Populations in Haiti under 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 build upon existing PEPFAR-supported activities in Haiti to ensure adequate access to HIV/AIDS screening, care and treatment and sexual prevention services to key populations. Applications are due February 8, 2016. Approximately $1.2 million per year is available to support one award for a project lasting up to five years.

LINKS: Grants.gov
FY 2016 English Language Programs

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

Notice seeking applications to provide technical and logistical support for English Language Programming in Russia. The objective of this program is to provide space for dialogue between the peoples of both countries and foster American engagement with a wide range of Russian audiences through English language teaching and learning. Applications are due January 15, 2016. Approximately $200,000 is available to support one award.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov

Implementation of Programs to Support Integration of Health Information Systems and HIV/AIDS/TB Treatment Services in the Republic of Zambia under the President’s Emergency Plan for AIDS (PEPFAR)

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

Notice seeking applications to support PEPFAR 3.0 goals for improving quality of clinical data and to help inform policy development, program planning, and decision-making within the Zambian health sector through appropriate and efficient use of IT. Interoperable HIS are essential to advance patient care and safety. Applications are due February 8, 2016. Approximately $10 million is available to support up to two awards for project lasting up to five years.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Implementing Comprehensive Community Based HIV/AIDS Prevention, Care and Treatment Services in Priority Areas in the Republic of Zambia under 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 support comprehensive combination HIV prevention, care and treatment programs in priority geographic areas of Zambia. The awardee will utilize a community based strategy to deliver HIV services to priority communities and target populations: the general population in areas of high HIV prevalence, priority populations including people living with HIV, adolescent girls, young women, men, couples, pregnant women and key populations. Services to be provided will include: community based HIV testing and counseling; HIV prevention services (risk reduction counseling, gender norms, and links to post gender-based violence care); and community based antiretroviral therapy. These services will be linked with community health care facilities. Applications are due February 8, 2016. Approximately $2.5 million per year is available to support one award for a project lasting up to five years.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Interethnic Reconciliation and Youth Camps

Department of State (State), U.S. Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina

Notice seeking applications to support initiatives designed to promote direct interaction, the development of tolerance and reconciliation between the ethnically and geographically diverse communities of Bosnia and Herzegovina. Although proposals involving youth (ages 11-25) are encouraged, the Embassy welcomes all innovative proposals aimed at promoting inter-ethnic cooperation by organizing camps with participants reflecting the diversity of BiH society. Due 02/05/2016.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Kenya Electoral Assistance Program (KEAP) 2017

United States Agency for International Development (USAID)

Notice seeking applications to enhance Kenya’s ability to conduct a free, fair, credible and peaceful election in 2017, consolidate the gains made to date regarding electoral assistance, and strengthen women and youth leadership in the 2017 election. Applications are due January 25, 2016. Approximately $20 million is available.

LINKS: Grants.gov
Landmarks of American History and Culture: Workshops for School Teachers

National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH)

Notice seeking applications for a series of one-week workshops for K-12 educators. NEH Landmarks of American History and Culture Workshops use historic sites to address central themes and issues in American history, government, literature, art, music, and related subjects in the humanities. Each workshop is offered twice during the summer. Workshops accommodate thirty-six school teachers (NEH Summer Scholars) at each one-week session. At least one workshop week must serve a national audience and provide housing for participants. The other workshop week may also serve a national audience.

Applications are due February 25, 2016. Awards are up to $180,000.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Programming for Women’s Dormitory at Kabul University

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

Notice seeking applications to support Afghanistan’s national development goals of educating women and preparing them to serve in leadership positions. This project will provide educational programming for approximately 1,400 female students housed in the Women’s Dormitory at Kabul University. It will also support and maintain the newly renovated computer lab housed in the women’s dormitory, which offers 100 work stations for residents’ use.

Applications are due January 25, 2016. Approximately $700,000 is available to support one award.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Provision of Comprehensive HIV Care, Treatment, and Support Programs in the United Republic of Tanzania under 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 support the Government of Tanzania’s HIV Strategic Plan on comprehensive care and treatment implementation through programs for adult and pediatric antiretroviral therapy, TB/HIV, Prevention of Mother-to-Child Transmission, home-based care, as well as linkage to the full continuum of care from facility to the community. Implementation will occur in 10 scale-up and 30 sustained districts within the 6 regions of Mara, Mwanza, Shinyanga, Simiyu, Geita, and Tanga. Districts may be revised over time based on evolving evidence of epidemic burden.

Applications are due February 8, 2016. Up to three awards of approximately $9.4 million per year is available to support a project lasting up to five years.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Reinforcing HIV Clinical Services within a Network of Faith-based Health Institutions in Haiti under 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 support access to comprehensive clinical-based HIV prevention, care, and treatment services within a network of faith-based health institutions in Haiti. The main objectives are to provide quality HTC services and PMTCT services, as well as quality pediatric and adult HIV care and treatment services within the network of faith-based institutions in Haiti. Applications are due February 8, 2016. Approximately $5.5 million per year is available to support one award for a project lasting up to five years.

LINKS: Grants.gov
Reinforcing HIV Clinical Services within a Network of Public Health Institutions in the Central Plateau and the Lower Artibonite of Haiti under 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 build on existing PEPFAR and other U.S. Government-supported services to sustain delivery of high quality integrated prevention, care and treatment services for HIV, TB and other infectious diseases within a network of public health institutions in the Central Plateau and Lower Artibonite departments in Haiti.

Applications are due February 10, 2016. Approximately $7.5 million per year is available to support one award for a project lasting up to five years. Applications identifying a local indigenous partner will receive preference in the form of 10 additional review points.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Strengthening HIV Clinical Services within a Network of Public and Private Health Institutions in the West, South, and North West Departments of Haiti under 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 continue to support access to comprehensive clinical-based HIV and TB prevention, care, and treatment services within three networks of public health institutions in the West, South, and North West departments in Haiti. The main objectives are to provide high quality HTC and PMTCT services; provide pediatric adult HIV care and treatment services; and provide TB prevention, diagnosis, and treatment services.

Applications are due February 8, 2016. Approximately $6 million per year is available to support one award for a project lasting up to five years.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Strengthening the Strategic Information Capacity of the Ministry of Health (MOH) in Support of HIV/AIDS Prevention, Care and Treatment Activities in the Democratic Republic of Congo under 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 strengthen the existing national electronic reporting system, also known as the Monitoring Evaluation and Surveillance Interface (MESI), for the Democratic Republic of Congo. The award recipient will ensure nationwide rollout of MESI, make relevant data available to stakeholders and enhance DRC’s HIV program data quality, analysis and management.

Applications are due February 10, 2016. Approximately $1 million per year is available to support one award for a project lasting up to five years.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Summer Seminars and Institutes

National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH)

Notice seeking applications for professional development programs in the humanities for school teachers and for college and university faculty. NEH Summer Seminars and Institutes may be as short as one week or as long as four weeks. Applications are due February 25, 2016. Awards range from $50,000 to $225,000.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation
U.S. Ambassador’s Special Self-Help Fund 2015-2016, U.S. Embassy Lilongwe

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

Notice seeking applications to encourage communities to improve their economic, health, and social welfare conditions through Self-Help projects they implement themselves. Eligible types of Self-Help projects include water, health, environment, construction, equipment, and income-generating activities. Applications are due February 29, 2016.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov

U.S. Mission Brazil Annual Program Statement

Department of State (State)

Notice seeking proposals to provide support for projects proposed by Brazilian NGOs and Brazilian cultural/educational organizations that aim to promote understanding of the U.S. and foster exchange between the United States and Brazil. Proposals are due January 30, 2016; March 30, 2016; and June 30, 2016. Approximately $30 million is available for up to eight awards per cycle. Preference given to Brazilian individuals and organizations, but U.S. individuals and organizations are eligible.

LINKS: Grants.gov

EDUCATION and ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

1890 Facilities Grant Program (Renewals)

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

Notice seeking applications for the acquisition and improvement of agricultural and food sciences facilities and equipment, including libraries, so that the eligible 1890 land-grant institutions, including Tuskegee University, West Virginia State University, and Central State University (per Section 7129 of Pub. L. 113-79) may participate fully in the development of human capital in the food, agricultural, and human sciences. Approximately $19 million is available.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov

Conference of the Parties to the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES); Seventeenth Regular Meeting: Proposed Resolutions, Decisions, and Agenda Items Being Considered; Observer Information

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

Notice seeking comments on proposed resolutions, decisions, and agenda items for consideration at meetings of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora. Comments are accepted any time between now and February 2nd.

LINKS: Federal Register

Notice of Availability of Funds and Funding Opportunity Announcement for H-1B TechHire Partnership Grants

Department of Labor (Labor), Employment and Training Administration (ETA)

Notice seeking applications to support efforts to rapidly train workers for and connect them to well-paying, middle- and high-skilled, and high-growth jobs across industries such as IT, healthcare, advanced manufacturing, financial services, and broadband. Funds are reserved for projects serving youth or young adults with barriers to training and employment opportunities as well as those serving special populations. Applications are due by March 11, 2016. Approximately $100 million is available to support 30 to 40 awards.

LINKS: Solicitation, Federal Register
OJJDP FY 16 Juvenile Drug Courts Training and Technical Assistance Program

Department of Justice (Justice), Office of Justice Programs

Notice seeking applications to provide training and technical assistance from a behavioral health perspective to juvenile drug courts.

Applications are due February 8, 2016. Approximately $1 million is available to support one award.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov

Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Generator Standards Applicable to Laboratories Owned by Eligible Academic Entities

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

Notice announcing a finalized alternative set of generator requirements applicable to laboratories owned by eligible academic entities, as defined in the final rule. The rule, which establishes a Subpart K within 40 CFR Part 262, provides a flexible and protective set of regulations that address the specific nature of hazardous waste generation and accumulation in laboratories owned by colleges and universities, and teaching hospitals and non-profit research institutes that are either owned by or formally affiliated with a college or university.


LINKS: Federal Register

FY 2016 – FY 2019 EDA Planning Program and Local Technical Assistance Program

Economic Development Administration (EDA), Department of Commerce (Commerce)

Notice seeking applications for the Planning and Local Technical Assistance programs. Under the Planning program, EDA assists eligible recipients in creating regional economic development plans designed to build capacity and guide the economic prosperity and resiliency of an area or region. The Local Technical Assistance program strengthens the capacity of local or State organizations, institutions of higher education, and other eligible recipients to undertake and promote effective economic development programs through projects such as feasibility analyses and impact studies.

Applications accepted on a rolling basis. Number and amount of awards will vary.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

FY 2016 Social Innovation Fund Pay for Success Cooperative Agreement

Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS)

Notice seeking proposals to advance and evaluate emerging models that align payment for social services with verified social outcomes.

Notices of intent are encouraged by January 13, 2016. Applications are due February 11, 2016. Approximately $10.6 million is available for awards ranging from $350,000 to $1.8 million per year to support projects lasting up to three years. Each award requires a 1:1 non-federal match in dollars and services.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov
National Institute of Food and Agriculture International Wheat Yield Partnership Program

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

Notice seeking applications to support the G20 nations’ Wheat Initiative which is committed to coordinate wheat research in the areas of genetics, genomics, physiology, breeding and agronomy internationally. NIFA in coordination with the International Wheat Yield Partnership, requests applications to seek breakthroughs for cereal breeding using new technologies and also discoveries that lead to significantly greater grain size, grain set and grain filling duration following embryo formation, in diverse environments, without compromising grain protein concentration in Triticeae species.

Letters of intent are required and due March 1, 2016. Applications are due May 3, 2016. Approximately $3.4 million is available.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov

Organic Agriculture Research and Extension Initiative

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

Notice seeking applications for projects that will enhance the ability of producers and processors who have already adopted organic standards to grow and market high quality organic agricultural products. Priority concerns include biological, physical, and social sciences, including economics. The OREI is particularly interested in projects that emphasize research, education and outreach that assist farmers and ranchers with whole farm planning by delivering practical research-based information.

Applications are due March 10, 2016. Approximately $18 million is available for an unspecified number of awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

OVW FY 2016 Enhanced Training and Services to End Abuse in Later Life Program

Department of Justice (Justice), Office on Violence Against Women

Notice seeking applications that provide or enhance training and services to address elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation, including sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking, involving victims who are 50 years of age or older.

Letters of registration strongly requested by January 21, 2015. Applications are due February 11, 2016. Approximately, $3.2 million is available for nine awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

OVW FY 2016 Rural Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence and Stalking Program

Department of Justice (Justice), Office on Violence Against Women (OVW)

Notice seeking applications to enhance the safety of rural victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking and support projects uniquely designed to address and prevent these crimes in rural areas. The Rural Program welcomes applications that propose innovative solutions to achieving this goal and encourages collaboration among criminal justice agencies, victim services providers, social services agencies, health professionals, and other community organizations to overcome the problems of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking and ensure that victim safety is paramount while providing services to victims.

Letters of registration are requested by January 19, 2016. Applications are due February 1, 2016. Approximately $33 million is available to support up to 50 awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov
OVW FY 2016 Sexual Assault Services Culturally Specific Program

Department of Justice (Justice), Office on Violence Against Women (OVW)

Notice seeking applications to create, maintain, and expand sustainable sexual assault services provided by culturally specific organizations, which are uniquely situated to respond to the needs of sexual assault victims from culturally specific populations.

Letters of registration are requested and due January 19, 2016. Applications are due February 2, 2016. Approximately $2.7 million is available to support up to nine awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov

OVW FY 2016 Tribal Sexual Assault Services Program

Department of Justice (Justice), Office on Violence Against Women

Notice seeking applications to provide funding directly to tribes, tribal organizations, and tribal nonprofit organizations to create, maintain, and expand sustainable sexual assault services.

Letters of registration are requested by January 19, 2016. Applications are due February 2, 2016. Approximately $2.7 million is available to support up to nine awards. Limited Submission: An applicant can only submit one application per organization. If an applicant submits multiple versions of the same application, OVW will review only the most recent system-validated version submitted.

LINKS: Grants.gov

HEALTH and MENTAL HEALTH

Administrative Supplements to NIH Awards for Validation Studies of Analytical Methods for Natural Products (Admin Supp)

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

Notice seeking applications to support current NIH grantees conduct validation studies and publication of relevant quantitative analytical chemistry methods. Funds support methods to identify and quantify chemical constituents in experimental reagents, raw materials, and/or clinical specimens through methods that have been developed or utilized in fulfillment of the active parent grant’s specific aims.

Applications are due by January 15, 2016; April 15, 2016; October 15, 2016; January 15, 2017; April 15, 2017. Approximately $800,000 is available to support up to eight awards.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov

Clinical Sites for the IDeA States Pediatric Clinical Trials Network (UG1)

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

Notice seeking applications for institutional research capacity building programs from entities/institutions in Institutional Development Award (IDeA)-eligible States that propose to support a team of experts to engage and implement pediatric clinical trials. The program aims to provide research infrastructure as well as supervised professional development in research and clinical trial implementation to assist institutions in IDeA-eligible States in establishing and maintaining pediatric clinical trial teams.

Letters of intent are requested by March 15, 2016. Applications are due April 15, 2016. Approximately $30 million is available to support up to 15 awards. Limited Submission: Only one application per institution is allowed.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov
Data Coordinating and Operations Center for the IDeA States Pediatric Clinical Trials Network (U24)

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

Notice seeking applications from investigators willing to participate under a cooperative agreement as the Data Coordinating and Operations Center (DCOC) in a multicenter clinical program, the IDeA States Pediatric Clinical Trials Network (ISPCTN) designed to carry out clinical research in pediatric populations.

Letters of intent are requested by March 15, 2016. Applications are due April 15, 2016. Approximately up to $45 million is available to support one four year award.

Limited Submission: Only one application per institution is allowed

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov

Environmental Influences on Child Health Outcomes (ECHO) Coordinating Center (U2C)

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

Notice seeking applications to support a Coordinating Center for the Environmental Influences on Child Health Outcomes (ECHO) program. The ECHO Coordinating Center will provide the organizational framework for the management, direction, and overall coordination of all common ECHO activities.

Letters of intent are requested by March 15, 2016. Applications are due April 15, 2016. Approximately $15 million is available to support one award.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov

Environmental Influences on Child Health Outcomes (ECHO) Data Analysis Center (U24)

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

Notice seeking Resource-Related Research applications to support a Data Analysis Center (DAC) for the Environmental Influences on Child Health Outcomes (ECHO) program. The ECHO DAC will provide the data repository and the data analysis functions for all common ECHO activities.

Letters of intent are requested by March 15, 2016. Applications are due April 15, 2016. Approximately $5 million is available to support one award.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov

Environmental Influences on Child Health Outcomes (ECHO) Pediatric Cohorts (UG3/UH3)

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

Notice seeking Exploratory/Developmental Phased Award applications to support existing cohorts to address how pre-, peri-, and post-natal environmental exposures impact childhood development and health outcomes as part of the Environmental influences on Child Health Outcomes (ECHO) program.

Letters of intent are requested by March 15, 2016. Applications are due April 15, 2016. Approximately $59 million is available to support 20 to 30 awards in FY 2016.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov
Environmental Influences on Child Health Outcomes: Patient Reported Outcomes Research Resource Center Core (ECHO PRO Core) (U24)

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

Notice seeking applications for the Environmental influences on Child Health Outcomes (ECHO) Patient Reported Outcomes Research Resource Center Core (ECHO PRO Core). The ECHO PRO Core will conduct research (including development and validation of new instruments) and provide research services and resources to all ECHO Cohort Sites and Centers.

Letters of intent are requested by March 15, 2016. Applications are due April 15, 2016. Approximately $2 million is available to support one award in FY 2016.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov

George M. O’Brien Urology Cooperative Research Centers Program (U54)

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

Notice seeking applications for new urology research centers that support multidisciplinary interactions between basic and clinical scientists to understand the development of benign urologic diseases and disorders, and design better treatments, diagnostics, and prevention strategies. Funds support efforts to provide educational enrichment opportunities to scientists electing to pursue research in benign urology.

Letters of intent are optional and due January 22, 2016. Applications are due by February 22, 2016. Approximately $1.2 million is available to support one award.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov

Integration of Infectious Diseases and Substance Abuse Intervention Services for Individuals Living with HIV (R01)

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

Notice seeking applications to develop and test organizational and systems level interventions to determine how best to provide comprehensive, high quality, integrated, sustainable, cost-effective interventions to improve the health outcomes of people living with HIV (PLWH) with substance use disorders and other comorbid conditions.

Letters of intent are requested by February 2, 2016. Applications are due March 2, 2016. Approximately $3 million is available to support three to five awards.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov

Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental and Other Related Disabilities (LEND)

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

Notice seeking applications to improve the health of infants, children, and adolescents who have, or are at risk for developing, autism spectrum disorder (ASD) and other neurodevelopmental and other related disabilities (DD) by preparing graduate-level trainees from a wide variety of professional disciplines to assume leadership roles and to ensure high levels of interdisciplinary clinical competence and a culturally diverse workforce.

Letters of intent are due December 18, 2015. Applications are due February 5, 2016. Approximately $28 million is available to up to 43 awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov
National Institute on Aging Genetics of Alzheimer’s Disease Data Storage Site (U24)

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

Notice seeking applications to support storage and analysis of primary and secondary data for the genetics and genomics of Alzheimer’s Disease through enhanced infrastructure.

Letters of intent are optional and due April 25, 2016. Applications are due annually on January 25, May 25, and September 25 until September 26, 2018. Approximately $1 million is available to support one award.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov

Risk of Adolescence and Injury in HIV Susceptibility (RAIS) (R01)

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

Notice seeking applications to support biomedical and proof-of-concept research on how reproductive maturation or injury alters the mucosal environments at HIV susceptible sites. Funds support research of the adolescent male and female genital and gastrointestinal mucosal environments to address how reproductive maturation and/or mucosal trauma at any age alters the environment at HIV susceptible sites.

Applications are due by March 16, 2016. Approximately $3 million is available to support four to six awards.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov

Small Cell Lung Cancer (SCLC) Consortium: Coordinating Center (U24)

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

Notice seeking applications to establish a Coordinating Center (CC) for the Small Cell Lung Cancer (SCLC) Consortium (Consortium) that will be focused on prevention, diagnosis, treatment, and mechanisms of treatment resistance in SCLC.

Letters of intent are requested 30 days prior to the application due date. Applications are due March 17, 2016 and November 17, 2016.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov

Small-Cell Lung Cancer (SCLC) Consortium: Innovative Approaches to the Prevention and Early Detection of Small Cell Lung Cancer (U01)

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

Notice seeking applications to establish research teams of the Small-Cell Lung Cancer (SCLC) Consortium to conduct research whose overall goals are: 1) to expand the understanding of the critical molecular changes in the lung that precede the development of frank SCLC and/or, 2) to identify populations at particularly high risk for SCLC.

Letters of intent are requested 30 days prior to the application due date. Applications are due March 17, 2016, November 17, 2016, March 17, 2017, and November 17, 2017.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov
Advanced Development and Validation of Emerging Molecular and Cellular Analysis Technologies for Basic and Clinical Cancer Research (R33)

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

Notice seeking R33 applications where proof-of-principle for the emerging technology or methodology has been provided with supportive preliminary data demonstrating a novel capability for targeting, probing, or assessing molecular and cellular features of cancer biology. Well-suited applications must offer the potential to accelerate and/or enhance research in the areas of cancer biology, early detection and screening, clinical diagnosis, treatment, control, epidemiology, and/or cancer health disparities.

Letters of intent are requested and due 30 days prior to the application due date. Applications are due February 26, 2016; May 26, 2016; and September 26, 2016. Approximately $4 million is available to support 10 awards.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov

Advanced Development and Validation of Emerging Technologies for Cancer-Relevant Biospecimen Science (R33)

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

Notice seeks applications to support exploratory research projects focused on the advanced development and validation of emerging technologies that improve the quality of the samples used for cancer research or clinical care. This includes technologies that address issues related to pre-analytical degradation of targeted analytes during the collection, processing, handling, and storage of cancer-relevant biospecimens.

Letters of intent are requested and due 30 days prior to the application due date. Applications are due February 26, 2016; May 26, 2016; and September 26, 2016. Approximately $800,000 is available to support two awards.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov

Advanced Education Nursing Traineeship (AENT) Program

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

Notice seeking applications to increase the number of primary care Advanced Practice Registered Nurses trained in rural and/or underserved communities to better prepare graduates to practice in these communities. The AENT grant provides traineeships to nurses who are pursuing advanced degrees as primary care nurse practitioners or nurse-midwives.

Applications are due February 15, 2016. Approximately $22.75 million is available to support up to 85 awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), Office of Management and Budget (OMB)

Notice seeking comments on the Transformation Accountability Reporting System, which is a real-time, performance management system that captures information for grantees on the substance abuse treatment and mental health services delivered in the United States.

Send comments to the contact by January 8, 2016.

LINKS: Federal Register
Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), Office of Management and Budget (OMB)

Notice seeking comments on the Services Accountability Improvement System (SAIS) is a real-time, performance management system that captures information for grantees on the substance abuse treatment and mental health services delivered in the United States. Submit comments to the contact by January 8, 2016.

LINKS: Federal Register

Development and Translation of Medical Technologies to Reduce Health Disparities (SBIR) (R43/R44)

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering (NIBIB); National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities (NIMHD)

Notice encouraging Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) grant applications from small business concerns (SBCs) that propose to develop and translate medical technologies aimed at reducing disparities in healthcare access and health outcomes. Appropriate medical technologies should be effective, affordable, culturally acceptable, and deliverable to those who need them. Grant applications must address the healthcare needs of a health disparity population and must involve a formal collaboration with a healthcare provider or other healthcare organization serving one or more health disparity populations during Phase I and Phase II. Letters of intent are requested 30 days before the deadline. Applications are due March 4, 2016 and July 6, 2016. Colleges and universities may partner. Approximately $1 million is available from each Institute to make up to five awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Effects of Drugs of Abuse on Latent HIV Reservoirs in the CNS (R01)

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

Notice seeking applications to promote research to investigate the underlying molecular mechanisms by which HIV latency is initiated, established, and maintained in the CNS and to determine how drugs of abuse modulate HIV latency and the size and persistence of CNS HIV reservoirs. The ultimate goal is to obtain information for developing new or improved therapies for HIV treatment in drug-abusing populations. Letters of intent are requested by February 3, 2016. Applications due March 3, 2016.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov

Global Noncommunicable Diseases and Injury Across the Lifespan: Exploratory Research (R21)

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

Notice seeking applications for planning, design and initial pilots for locally relevant and catalytic research on non-communicable diseases (NCDs) or injury in low and middle-income countries (LMICs). Research addressing multiple NCDs and their risk factors and research addressing NCDs as comorbidities for/with infectious diseases including HIV/AIDS is encouraged. Scientists in the United States or upper middle income countries are eligible to partner with scientists in LMIC institutions. For applications on any research topic related to the brain, nervous system, mental health and substance abuse please see the companion FOA: PAR-14-331

Letters of intent are requested 30 days before the application deadline. Applications are due February 24, 2016, and February 22, 2017. The expiration date is 02/23/2017. At least one institution in the United States or a UMIC, and at least one institution in a LMIC must be involved as partners in the grant application (UMIC institutions are eligible to partner either with U.S. institutions or directly with other LMIC institutions). Direct applications are encouraged from the LMIC institutions. LMIC components of US organizations must apply as the US partner in a collaboration involving a different LMIC.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov
High-End Instrumentation (HEI) Grant Program (S10)

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) , Office of Research Infrastructure Programs (ORIP)

Notice seeking applications from groups of NIH-supported investigators to purchase or upgrade a single item of expensive, specialized, commercially available instruments or integrated systems ranging in cost from $600,000 to $2 million. Types of instruments supported include, but are not limited to: X-ray diffraction systems, nuclear magnetic resonance and mass spectrometers, DNA and protein sequencers, biosensors, electron and confocal microscopes, cell-sorters, and biomedical imagers.

Applications are due May 16, 2016. Multiple applications from the same institution are allowed, but generally not for the same type of equipment (unless documentation is provided by a high level institutional official stating the similar requests are not duplicates but part of campus-wide instrumentation plan). Individual applications may request only one type of instrument.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov

Improving Diabetes Management in Children with Type 1 Diabetes (DP3)

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

Notice seeking applications to support research to develop, refine, and pilot test innovative strategies to improve management of type 1 diabetes in young children (under 5 years old) and/or school-aged children (ages 5-9 years old). At the end of the funding period, there should be a well-developed and well-characterized intervention that has been demonstrated to be safe, feasible to implement, acceptable in the target population, and, if promising, ready to be tested in a larger efficacy trial.

Letters of intent are requested by May 22, 2016. Applications are due June 22, 2016. Approximately $6 million is available to support up to three awards.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov

Improving Diabetes Management in Pre-teens, Adolescents and/or Young Adults with Type 1 Diabetes (DP3)

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

Notice seeking applications to encourage applications from institutions/organizations proposing to develop, refine, and pilot test innovative strategies to improve diabetes management in pre-teens (ages 10-12), adolescents (ages 13-18) and/or young adults (ages 19-30) with type 1 diabetes. Letters of intent are requested by May 22, 2016. Applications are due June 22, 2016. Approximately $6 million is available to support up to three awards.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov

Innovative Molecular and Cellular Analysis Technologies for Basic and Clinical Cancer Research (R21)

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

Notice seeking proposals for exploratory research projects focused on the early-stage development of highly innovative molecular or cellular analysis technologies for basic or clinical cancer research. An emphasis should be placed on supporting the development of novel capabilities involving a high degree of technical innovation for targeting, probing, or assessing molecular and cellular features of cancer biology. This funding opportunity is part of a broader NCI-sponsored Innovative Molecular Analysis Technologies (IMAT) Program. Letters of intent are requested 30 days before application deadline. Applications are due February 26, 2016; May 26, 2016; and September 26, 2016. The program expires September 27, 2016. Approximately 22 to 24 awards of up to $400,000 are available to support projects lasting up to three years.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov
Innovative Technologies for Cancer-Relevant Biospecimen Science (R21)

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

Notice seeking proposals for exploratory research projects focused on the early-stage development of technologies that improve the quality of the samples used for cancer research or clinical care. This includes innovative technologies that address issues related to pre-analytical degradation of targeted analytes during the collection, processing, handling, and storage of cancer-relevant biospecimens.

Letters of intent are requested 30 days before the application deadline. Applications are due February 26, 2016; May 26, 2016; and September 26, 2016. The expiration date is September 27, 2016. Approximately five awards of up to $400,000 are available to support projects lasting up to three years.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov

Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Research Centers 2016 (U54)

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

Notice seeking applications for research center cooperative agreements designed to advance the diagnosis, prevention, treatment, and amelioration of intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD). Applications are sought from institutions with the following qualifications: 1) Cores that facilitate interdisciplinary and translational research in IDD, and support IDD-related projects funded by other sources; and 2) at least one specific research project related to one of five focus themes identified as an area of research need in IDD. Funds for the majority of research projects using these core facilities come from independent sources including Federal, State, and private organizations.

Letters of intent are requested by January 18, 2016. Applications are due February 18, 2016. Approximately five awards of up to $800,000 per year are available to support projects lasting up to five years.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov

Mechanism for Time-Sensitive Drug Abuse Research (R21)

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

Notice seeking applications to support pilot, feasibility or exploratory research in five priority areas in substance use epidemiology and health services, including: responses to sudden and severe emerging drug issues; responses to emerging marijuana trends and topics related to the shifting policy landscape; responses to unexpected and time-sensitive prescription drug abuse research opportunities; responses to unexpected and time-sensitive medical system issues; and responses to unexpected and time-sensitive criminal or juvenile justice opportunities.

Letters of intent are requested 30 days before the deadline. Applications are due February 8, June 8, and November 8 annually. Program expires November 9, 2018.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

National Eye Institute; Notice of Meeting

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

Notice announcing a meeting of NEI to discuss NEI programs.

The open portion of the meeting will be held January 21, 2016 from 8:30 am to 1:00 pm, ET, at National Institutes of Health Terrace Level Conference Rooms; 5635 Fishers Lane; Bethesda, MD.

LINKS: Federal Register
National Syndromic Surveillance Program Community of Practice

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

Notice seeking applications to support development of a system for timely exchange of syndromic data and information to improve nationwide situational awareness and enhance responsiveness to hazardous events and disease outbreaks. Syndromic data include patient encounter data from emergency departments, urgent care, ambulatory care, and inpatient health care settings, as well as data from pharmacies and laboratories.

Letters of intent are required and due February 1, 2016. Applications are due March 7, 2016. Approximately $1.2 million is available to support one award for three years.

LINKS: Grants.gov

NHLBI Early Investigator Award (EIA) (R35)

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI)

Notice seeking applications to promote scientific productivity and innovation by providing long-term support and increased flexibility to Program Directors /Principal Investigators (PDs/PIs) who currently have two NHLBI R01 awards, of which one must be an NHLBI-funded NIH Early Stage Investigator R01 award, and whose outstanding record of research demonstrate their ability to make major contributions to heart, lung, blood and sleep (HLBS) research.

Letters of intent are requested 30 days before the deadline. Applications are due March 15, 2016; February 15, 2017; and February 15, 2018. Up to $10 million per year may be available through 2025.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

NHLBI Outstanding Investigator Award (OIA) (R35)

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI)

Notice seeking applications to promote scientific productivity and innovation by providing long-term support and increased flexibility to experienced Program Directors (PDs)/Principal Investigators (PIs) who are currently PDs/PIs on at least two NHLBI R01-equivalent awards and whose outstanding record of research demonstrate their ability to make major contributions to heart, lung, blood and sleep (HLBS) research.

Letters of intent requested 30 days before the deadline. Applications are due March 15, 2016; February 15, 2017; and February 15, 2018. Up to $20 million per year may be available through 2025.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

NIH Blueprint for Neuroscience Research Short Courses in Neurotherapeutics Development (R25)

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

Notice seeking applications to develop and implement short courses on neurotherapeutics development for academic neuroscientists. The short courses should provide participants with a sufficient overview of the neurotherapeutics development process to understand the steps required for therapeutics development, anticipate and overcome common challenges in the process, and interact effectively with collaborators who have expertise in various aspects of therapeutics development.

Letters of intent are requested by January 10, 2016. Applications are due February 10, 2016. Approximately $250,000 is available to support one award.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov
Revision Applications for Assay Validation For High Quality Markers For NCI-Supported Clinical Trials (U10)

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

Notice seeking to improve the development and validation of molecular diagnostics for the treatment, control, or prevention of cancer. This FOA includes, but is not limited to, the validation of prognostic, predictive or response markers for treatment and markers for cancer control or prevention trials. Applicants should have an assay that has essentially completed analytical validation in human samples and whose importance is well justified for development into a clinical assay.

Letters of intent are requested 30 days before the deadline. Applications are due February 29, 2016; July 8, 2016; October 7, 2016; February 9, 2017; July 7, 2017; October 6, 2017. Awards are up to $150,000.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Integrated HIV Planning Implementation

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

Notice seeking applications to provide technical assistance to RWHAP Parts A and B recipients and their planning bodies to support activities and strategies for integrating HIV planning across prevention and care and treatment service delivery systems, and to support activities related to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)/Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) Integrated HIV Prevention and Care Plan submissions. Applications are due March 1, 2016. Approximately $500,000 is available to support one award.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Seek, Test, Treat and Retain For Youth and Young Adults Living with or at High Risk for Acquiring HIV (R01)

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

Notice seeking applications to examine seek, test, treat and retain approaches among youth and young adults (ages 13-25) who are at high risk for HIV acquisition or have already acquired HIV. Applications should incorporate substance use into study aims; objectives should address substance use prevention, screening, and/or treatment in ways that facilitate use of HIV prevention and treatment services.

Letters of intent are not required and due February 2, 2016. Applications are due March 2, 2016. Up to five awards of approximately $3 million is available to support a project lasting up to five years.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov

Shared Instrumentation Grant (SIG) Program (S10)

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Office of Research Infrastructure Programs (ORIP)

Notice seeking applications from groups of NIH-supported investigators to purchase or upgrade a single item of expensive, specialized, commercially available instruments or integrated systems ranging in cost from $50,000 to $600,000. Types of instruments supported include, but are not limited to: X-ray diffraction systems, nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) and mass spectrometers, DNA and protein sequencers, biosensors, electron and confocal microscopes, cell-sorters, and biomedical imagers.

Applications are due May 16, 2016. Multiple applications from the same institution are allowed, but generally not for the same type of equipment (unless documentation is provided by a high level institutional official stating the similar requests are not duplicates but part of campus-wide instrumentation plan). Individual applications may request only one type of instrument.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov
Systems Biology Approaches in HIV/AIDS and Substance Use (R01)

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

Notice seeking applications to support systems biology research projects that address critical questions in HIV/AIDS research in the context of drugs of abuse. Substance use and abuse present unique challenges for HIV prevention, treatment, disease progression, medical consequences, potential cure, and responses to vaccines or therapeutics. Understanding the complex biological intersection of HIV/AIDS and substance use and abuse is the central theme of this FOA. Letters of intent are requested by March 4, 2016. Applications are due April 4, 2016. Approximately $3 million is available to support up to eight awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Understanding Barriers and Facilitators to Type 1 Diabetes Management in Adults (DP3)

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

Notice seeking applications to support research that will identify barriers and facilitators to good diabetes self-management in adults with type 1 diabetes. The results from this research should inform future intervention research in adults with type 1 diabetes. Letters of intent are requested by May 22, 2016. Applications are due June 22, 2016. Approximately $5 million is available to support up to two awards.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, and MATHEMATICS

Algorithms in the Field

National Science Foundation (NSF), Multiple Institutes

Notice seeking proposals to support collaboration between theoretical computer science researchers, who focus on the design and analysis of provably efficient and provably accurate algorithms for various computational models; and other computing and information researchers including a combination of systems and domain experts who focus on the particular design constraints of applications and/or computing devices. Each proposal must have at least one coPI interested in theoretical computer science and one interested in any of the other areas typically supported by CISE. Proposals are expected to address the dissemination of both the algorithmic contributions and the resulting applications, tools, languages, compilers, libraries, architectures, systems, data, etc.

Proposals are accepted at any time between February 18, 2016 and March 3, 2016. Approximately $9 million is available to support up to 15 awards. Limited Submission: An investigator may participate as PI, co-PI, or senior personnel in no more than two proposals submitted in response to this solicitation.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov

DHS Science and Technology Long Range Broad Agency Announcement

Department of Homeland Security (Homeland Security)

Notice seeking white papers to support new R&D projects across a spectrum of science and engineering. New topic areas include but are not limited to: Counter Unmanned Ariel Systems Detection, Track, and Classification; Unmanned Ariel Systems Mitigation; technologies to enhance security while expediting the flow of legitimate trade and travel; Anonymous Networks and Currencies; Cyber Situational Understanding; Research Data Marketplace; Community Resilience; Violent Extremism; and Resilient and Sustainable Infrastructure:

White papers are required and due by December 31, 2018.

LINKS: FBO
Financial Assistance to Establish Four NOAA Cooperative Science Centers at Minority Serving Institutions

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

Notice seeking applications to support four Cooperative Science Centers (CSC) at doctoral degree granting minority serving institutions. CSCs will be developed in these four areas: Atmospheric Sciences and Meteorology; Coastal and Marine Ecosystems; Earth System Sciences and Remote Sensing Technologies; and, Living Marine Resources

Applications are due by March 30, 2016. Approximately $62 million is available to support four awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Fiscal Year 2016 NMFS-Sea Grant Fellowships in Population and Ecosystem Dynamics

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

Notice seeking applications for a limited number of Fellowships each year to students who are interested in careers related to population and ecosystem dynamics with applications to living marine resources. Candidate projects will focus on at least one of the following: 1) the population dynamics of living marine resources; 2) stock assessment methodologies; 3) marine ecosystem modeling; 4) integrated ecosystem assessments; and 5) ecosystem-based management of marine ecosystems.

Applications are due February 5, 2016. The Graduate Fellowship Program expects to award at least two new PhD Fellowships each year to students who are interested in careers related to population and ecosystem dynamics of living marine resources and/or marine ecosystem dynamics.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Fisheries International Cooperation and Assistance Program

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

Notice seeking applications for special projects and programs associated with the NOAA’s National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) International Affairs and Seafood Inspection (IASI) strategic plan and mission goals aimed to promote international cooperation to achieve effective and responsible marine stewardship and ensure sustainable global fisheries and protected marine species management.

Applications are due March 31, 2016. Approximately up to $1.5 million is available to support 10 to 20 awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov

GEO Opportunities for Leadership in Diversity

National Science Foundation (NSF), Directorate for Geosciences

Notice seeking proposals to support efforts to facilitate the design, pilot implementation, and evaluation of innovative professional development curricula that can unleash the potential of geoscientists to become impactful leaders within the community. Funds support efforts to connect geoscientists with experts in broadening participation research, behavioral change, social psychology, institutional change management, leadership development research, and pedagogies for professional development.

Preliminary proposals are required and due by February 1, 2016. Proposals are due by June 2, 2016. Approximately $2 million is available to support three to five awards.

Limited Submission: An individual may submit only one Preliminary Proposal. If invited to submit a full proposal following the Ideas Lab, a PI may submit only one full proposal to NSF.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov
Modular Optical Aperture Building Blocks (MOABB) Proposers Day

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

Notice announcing a Proposers Day in support of the Modular Optical Apertures Building Blocks (MOABB) program to provide information, promote discussion, address questions from potential proposers, and provide a forum for potential proposers to present their capabilities and ideas for teaming opportunities. The meeting will be held on December 17, 2015 at the DARPA Conference Center (675 N. Randolph Street, Arlington, VA) from 9:00am to 4:45pm ET.

LINKS: FBO

Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship (SURF) Program

National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), Department of Commerce (Commerce)

Notice seeking applications provide research opportunities for undergraduate students to work with NIST scientists and engineers, to expose them to cutting-edge research and promote the pursuit of graduate degrees in science and engineering. Applications are due February 12, 2016. Approximately $1 million is available to support 110 awards.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov

Astronomy and Astrophysics Advisory Committee; Notice of Meeting

Department of Energy (Energy), National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), National Science Foundation (NSF)

Notice announcing open meeting of the Astronomy and Astrophysics Advisory Committee to provide advice and recommendations to NSF, NASA and DOE on issues within the field of astronomy and astrophysics that are of mutual interest and concern to the agencies. The meeting will be held January 28, 2016 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and January 29, 2016 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. ET at the NASA Goddard Space Flight Center, 8800 Greenbelt Rd., Building 34, Room W305, Greenbelt, MD

LINKS: Federal Register

Bioforensic BAA Call 14

Air Force (Air Force), Department of Defense (Defense)

Notice seeking white paper proposals for products and research in three bio-forensics topic areas: 1) Identify and sequence near neighbors of Francisella tularensis; 2) Metagenomics analysis of complex biological samples; 3) High confidence metagenomics analysis of complex samples. White papers are due January 7, 2016. Select applicants will be invited to submit a full proposal.

LINKS: FBO notice

Creation and Validation of Saxitoxins Detection Assays.

Department of Homeland Security (Homeland Security)

Notice seeking proposals to build on the legacy of successful DHS S&T Public Health Actionable Assay development projects. DHS S&T requires the creation and validation of saxitoxins detection assays. The laboratory based confirmatory detection assays and rapid point of care diagnostic tests for this select biological agents will be used in the clinical and public health laboratories as well as point of care settings. A thorough validation of these assays will be completed on the prototypes by the performer via the use of Government required panels of non-clinical environmental, pre-clinical and clinical samples. Proposals are due January 19, 2016.

LINKS: FBO
Federal Awarding Agency Regulatory Implementation of Office of Management and Budget's Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards

Department of Commerce (Commerce), Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Department of Homeland Security (Homeland Security), Gulf Coast Ecosystem Restoration Council

Notice announcing the Council’s adoption of a final rule to implement the Uniform Guidance of the Office of Management and Budget.

LINKS: Federal Register

Fluid Dynamics Research at the International Space Station to Benefit Life on Earth (NSF-ISS)

National Science Foundation (NSF), Engineering Directorate (ENG)

Notice seeking applications for research projects in the general field of fluid dynamics that can utilize the International Space Station (ISS) National Lab to conduct research that will benefit life on Earth.

The submission window is February 17, 2016 to March 7, 2016. Approximately $1.8 million is available for six awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Full Spectrum Signals Intelligence (SIGINT) and Cyber Operations Technology

Air Force (Air Force), Department of Defense (Defense)

Notice seeking white papers for various scientific studies, investigations, and experiments to increase our knowledge, understanding and capability in order to expand cyber operations technologies involving full spectrum signals intelligence and Electronic Warfare within DOD. Areas of interest include the integration, better coordination of, and capability to conduct cyberspace operations.

White papers are accepted on a rolling basis until September 30, 2020. Selected white paper applicants may be invited to submit a full proposal. Approximately $49.8 million will be available over fiscal years FY 16 - FY 20 for awards ranging from $250,000 to $1.5 million to support projects lasting up to two years.

LINKS: FBO notice

HYDROGEN AND FUEL CELL TECHNOLOGIES RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, AND DEMONSTRATIONS

Department of Energy (Energy), Golden Field Office

Notice seeking applications for a broad spectrum of the FCTO portfolio with four Areas of Interest (AOI): AOI 1: research and development (R&D) for hydrogen fuel technologies; AOI 2: demonstration and deployment for manufacturing technologies and Climate Action Champions; AOI 3: R&D within consortia for fuel cell performance and durability and hydrogen storage materials; and AOI 4: cost and performance analyses for hydrogen production and delivery, hydrogen storage, and fuel cells.

Submission schedules, cost sharing requirements, eligibility information, applicant requirements (including whether or not a concept paper is required), etc. vary by AOI. Total program funding is $35 million.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation
National Robotics Initiative

National Science Foundation (NSF)

Notice seeking applications to accelerate the development and use of robots in the United States that work beside or cooperatively with people. The purpose of this program is to support the development of this next generation of robotics, to advance the capability and usability of such systems and artifacts, and to encourage existing and new communities to focus on innovative application areas. It will address the entire lifecycle from fundamental research and development to manufacturing and deployment.

Proposals are due March 7, 2016; January 12, 2017; then, the second Thursday in January, annually thereafter. Approximately up to $50 million is available for up to 70 awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Notice of Public Release of Stewardship of the National Training and Education Resource (NTER)®

Department of Energy (Energy)

Notice announcing that DOE will be releasing control of the NTER to the open source community. NTER is an open source platform for multimedia self-paced training courses designed to build skills in clean energy vocations at lower costs than proprietary packages.

Public release of NTER will occur November 30, 2015. Send requests for information to the contact.

LINKS: Federal Register

Object Based Production and Activities Based Intelligence Technology Development for Indications and Warning

Air Force (Air Force), Department of Defense (Defense)

Broad agency announcement seeking capabilities for the discovery and analysis of emerging activities across multiple domains (ground, air, maritime, space and cyberspace) in order to provide tactical and strategic level indications and warning and to reduce the time needed to search and correlate data from multiple sources on multiple systems.

White papers may be submitted at any time during the life of this BAA. Approximately $9.9 million is available

LINKS: FBO

Request for Input on the United States Group on Earth Observations Draft Common Framework for Earth-Observation Data

Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP), National Science Technology Council (NSTC)

Notice seeking comments on the draft Common Framework for Earth-observation data, which will be posted at https://www.whitehouse.gov/administration/eop/ostp/library/shareyourinput. The goal of the Common Framework is to make it easier to obtain and assemble earth-observation data from diverse sources for improved analysis, understanding, decision-making, community resilience, and commercial uses.

Submit comments by January 15, 2016 at https://www.whitehouse.gov/administration/eop/ostp/library/shareyourinput.

LINKS: Federal Register