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ARTS / HUMANITIES / INTERNATIONAL

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
FY16 DRL - Transitional Justice and Reconciliation in Sri Lanka

FON:
DRLA-DRLAQM-17-042

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications for programs that use a multi-pronged approach to advance reconciliation through tools such as memorialization, or truth-telling, among other mechanisms.

ACTION:
Applications are due February 13, 2017. Approximately $1.7 million is available to support one to two awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Sarah Davis, Email: DavisSJ2@state.gov (mailto:DavisSJ2@state.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Publishing Historical Records in Documentary Editions

FON:
EDITIONS-201710

AGENCY:
National Archives and Records Administration (NARA)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting projects that promote access to America's historical records to encourage understanding of our democracy, history, and culture. Projects should provide access to, and editorial context for, the historical documents and records that tell the American story, and provide free access to these materials in an open online environment, without precluding other forms of publication. 50 percent cost-sharing is required.

ACTION:
Optional drafts are due April 7, 2017 and August 4, 2017. Applications are due June 14, 2017 and October 5, 2017. Approximately $2.5 million is available to support up to 25 grants.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Darrell Meadows, 202/357-5321. Email: darrell.meadows@nara.gov (mailto:darrell.meadows@nara.gov)

MEETING:
Arts Advisory Panel Meetings

AGENCY:
National Endowment for the Arts (NEA)

ITEM:
Notice announcing a videoconference meeting of the Arts Advisory Panel to the National Council on the Arts to review state partnership agreements.

ACTION:
The meeting will be held on January 10, 2017 from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm ET. This meeting will be by videoconference and will be open.
EDUCATION / ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
BOEM FY 2017 Environmental Studies Program

FON:
M17AS00004

AGENCY:
Department of the Interior (Interior), Bureau of Ocean Energy Management

ITEM:
Notice seeking proposals to conduct research in topics that serve the public interest of safe and environmentally sound energy and mineral production on the nation's outer continental shelf. The BOEM manages the exploration and development of the nation's offshore energy and mineral resources.

ACTION:
Proposals are due February 10, 2017. Approximately $600,000 is available to support one award in FY 2017.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Christy Tardiiff, 703/787-1367. Email: christy.tardiiff@bsee.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
OJJDP FY 17 Missing and Exploited Children Training and Technical Assistance

FON:
OJJDP-2017-10947

AGENCY:
Department of Justice (Justice), Office of Juvenile Justice Delinquency Prevention

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to design, develop, and provide training and technical assistance services to strengthen the overall response to missing and exploited children's issues. OJJDP is interested in supporting innovative approaches in designing and delivering training to multidisciplinary teams of prosecutors, state and local law enforcement and child protection personnel, medical providers, and other child-serving professionals who respond to missing and exploited children's issues.

ACTION:
Applications are due February 13, 2017. Approximately $1.8 million is available to support one award for 12-month period.
MEETING:
Advisory Board on Toxic Substances and Worker Health: Subcommittee on the Site Exposure Matrices (SEM)

AGENCY:
Department of Labor (Labor), Office of Workers' Compensation Programs

ITEM:
Notice announcing a teleconference meeting of the Subcommittee on the Site Exposure Matrices (SEM) of the Advisory Board on Toxic Substances and Worker Health for the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act. Agenda items include: Discussion on follow up to October Advisory Board meeting in Oak Ridge, Tennessee; discuss the use of SEM in adjudication; discuss exposure assessment at sites without SEM; discuss the role of presumptions; any new business as proposed by subcommittee members.

ACTION:
The subcommittee will meet via teleconference on Friday, January 6, 2017, from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm ET.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Antonio Rios, 202/343-5580. Email: rios.antonio@dol.gov (mailto:rios.antonio@dol.gov)

MEETING:
Workforce Information Advisory Council (WIAC)

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

ITEM:
Notice announcing a meeting of the Workforce Information Advisory Council to discuss the informational report it is creating to document the current status of the workforce and labor market information systems from a national and state perspective for the Secretary of Labor.

ACTION:
The meeting will held Wednesday, January 11, 2017 at 2:00 pm ET and conclude no later than 5:00 pm ET. The meeting will be held virtually, or attendees can call 866/530-3818 and use conference code 2956449540.

LINKS:
NOTICE:
Request for Public Comment on Draft “Release to One, Release to All” Presumption

AGENCY:
Department of Justice (Justice)

ITEM:
Notice requesting public comment on the “Release to One, Release to All” policy as a new presumptive standard for Federal agencies when releasing records under the FOIA.

ACTION:
Written comments must be postmarked and electronic comments are accepted through December 23, 2016.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Bobby Talebian, 202/514-3642.

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NOTICE:
Solicitation of Input From Stakeholders Regarding the Food Safety Outreach Program

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking input to develop the priorities for the Request for Applications (RFA) in Fiscal Year (FY) 2018. NIFA is particularly interested in reaching the intended audience, achieving the most impact, and identifying suggested priorities in the third year of the Food Safety Outreach Program.

ACTION:
The listening session will be held on Tuesday, January 31, 2017 from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm, ET. All written comments must be received by 5 pm ET on January 31, 2017 to Email: FSOP@nifa.usda.gov (mailto:FSOP@nifa.usda.gov).

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Dawanna James-Holly, 202/401-1950. Email: dholly@nifa.usda.gov (mailto:dholly@nifa.usda.gov)

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HEALTH

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Addiction Technology Transfer Centers Cooperative Agreement
FON: 
TI-17-005

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

ITEM: 
Notice seeking applications supporting efforts to develop and strengthen the specialized behavioral healthcare and primary healthcare workforce that provides substance use disorder (SUD) treatment and recovery support services. Funds support efforts to accelerate the adoption and implementation of evidence-based and promising SUD treatment and recovery-oriented practices and services; heightening the awareness, knowledge, and skills of the workforce that addresses the needs of people with substance use or other co-occurring health disorders; and fostering regional and national alliances among culturally diverse practitioners, researchers, policy makers, funders, and the recovery community.

ACTION: 
Applications are due by February 9, 2017. Approximately $8.92 million is available to support 11 awards, one National Coordinating office, and 10 Regional Centers (one per region).

LINKS: 

CONTACT: 
Humberto Carvalho, 240/276-2974. Email: Humberto.Carvalho@samhsa.hhs.gov (mailto:Humberto.Carvalho@samhsa.hhs.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY: 
Administrative Supplement for Research on Sex/Gender Influences (Admin Supp)

FON: 
PA-17-078

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

ITEM: 
Notice seeking applications availability of administrative supplements to support research highlighting the impact of sex/gender influences and/or sex and gender factors in human health and illness, including basic, preclinical, clinical and behavioral studies.

ACTION: 
Applications are due February 13, 2017. Approximately $3 million is available to support 30 awards.

LINKS: 

CONTACT: 
Contacts vary by institute.
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Community Characteristics Associated with Geographic Disparities in Diabetes and Cardiometabolic Health

FON:
RFA-DP-17-001

AGENCY:
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion Extramural Research Program Office

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting efforts to examine county-level disparities in type-2 diabetes and cardiometabolic conditions. Funds support efforts to clarify the contribution of environmental or socioeconomic circumstances to diabetes geographic disparities. Funds also support applications to serve as a study coordinating center for awardees.

ACTION:
Optional letters of intent are due by January 13, 2017. Applications are due by December 14, 2017. Approximately $20 million is available to support up to five awards: four study sites and one coordinating center.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Michael Brown, 770/488-5118. Email: mab5@cdc.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Frontotemporal Degeneration FTD Sequencing Consortium: Discovery, replication and validation (UG3/UH3)

FON:
RFA-NS-17-017

AGENCY:
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke, National Institutes on Aging

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting exploratory/developmental cooperative agreements focusing on the genetic discovery, replication and validation of disease causing mutations, risk variants and genetic modifiers which contribute to the pathophysiology, proteinopathies and clinical heterogeneity representative of the neurological syndromes that are classified under the broad spectrum of Frontotemporal Degeneration (FTD). Funds support whole genome sequencing, replication and functional variant validation studies of FTD case/control and family-based cohorts identified through clinical diagnosis or autopsy confirmation.

ACTION:
Optional letters of intent are due 30 days before the due date. Applications are due by February 10, 2017. Approximately $1.75 million is available to support one to three awards.
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
High-End Instrumentation (HEI) Grant Program (S10)

FON:
PAR-17-076

AGENCY:
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Division of Program Coordination, Planning and Strategic Initiatives, Office of Research Infrastructure Programs

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to purchase or upgrade a single item of expensive, specialized, commercially available instruments or integrated systems that cost at least $600,001.

ACTION:
Applications are due May 31, 2017. Approximately $30 million is available to support 20 awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Abraham Levy, 301/435-0772. Email: HEI@mail.nih.gov (mailto:HEI@mail.nih.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Increasing Organ Donation Awareness

FON:
HRSA-17-104

AGENCY:
Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Healthcare Systems Bureau

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting efforts to reduce the gap between the demand for organ transplants and the supply of organ donors by increasing public knowledge about donation opportunities, risks, and benefits. Focus areas include: living organ donation; and vascularized composite allograft donation, specifically hand and face.

ACTION:
Applications are due by February 17, 2017. Approximately $1 million is available to support up to four grants.
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Increasing the Use of Medications for the Treatment of Alcohol Use Disorders (R01)

FON:
PAR-17-079

AGENCY:
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications designed to increase the public health impact of Food and Drug Administration (FDA)-approved pharmacotherapies for the treatment of alcohol use disorder. Significant progress is needed in developing generalizable, scalable, cost-effective strategies to move these evidence-based interventions into the mainstream of alcohol use disorder treatment, in both general medical and specialty care settings.

ACTION:
Requested letters of intent are 30 days prior to the applications due date. Applications are due annually on February 5, June 5, and October 5.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Venus Walker 301/443-7578. Email: VWalker@hrsa.gov (mailto:VWalker@hrsa.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Innovations for Healthy Living - Improving Population Health and Eliminating Health Disparities (R43/R44)

FON:
RFA-MD-17-001

AGENCY:
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications that propose to develop a product, process or service for commercialization with the aim of reducing disparities in healthcare access and health outcomes and in preventing disease and improving health in one or more NIH-defined health disparity population group(s).

ACTION:
Requested letters of intent are due January 22, 2017. Applications are due February 22, 2017. Approximately $1 million is available to support three to four awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Derrick Tabor, 301/594-8950. Email: tabord@mail.nih.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
JPC-1 MSIS MACH Learning Award
FON:
W81XWH-17-R-MSI1
AGENCY:
Army (Army), Department of Defense (Defense), U.S. Army Medical Research Acquisition Activity (USAMRAA)
ITEM:
Notice seeking applications for utilizing machine learning and artificial intelligence for medical training needs (MACH Learning). The FY17 JPC-1/MSIS MACH Learning Award is intended to support research projects to develop machine learning/artificial intelligence modeling that can be used as predictive models for early detection of needed medical training during the acquisition of skills as well as refresher training.
ACTION:
Required pre-applications are due February 3, 2017. Applications are due May 12, 2017. Approximately $3.2 million is available to support two awards.
LINKS:
CONTACT:
CDMRP Help Desk, 301/682-5507. Email: help@eBRAP.org

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
NIH-DoD-VA Pain Management Collaboratory - Coordinating Center (U24)
FON:
RFA-AT-17-002
AGENCY:
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Multiple Institutes
ITEM:
Notice seeking applications for a Coordinating Center (CC) to provide national leadership for the NIH-DoD-VA Health Care Systems (HCS) Research Collaboratory program on non-pharmacological approaches to pain management and comorbidities in U.S. military personnel, veterans and their families.
ACTION:
Requested letters of intent are due 30 days prior to the application due date. Applications are due March 3, 2017. Approximately $2 million is available to support one award.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Contacts vary by institute.

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
NIH-DoD-VA Pain Management Collaboratory - Pragmatic Clinical Trials Demonstration Projects (UG3/UH3)

FON:
RFA-AT-17-001

AGENCY:
Department of Defense (Defense), National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), Multiple Institutes

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to conduct efficient, large-scale pragmatic clinical trial Demonstration Projects within the NIH-DoD-VA Pain Management Collaboratory on non-pharmacological approaches to pain management and other co-morbid conditions in U.S. military personnel, veterans and their families.

ACTION:
Requested letters of intent are due 30 days prior to the application due date. Applications are due March 3, 2017. Approximately $3.5 to $4.25 million is available to support five to seven two-year UG3 awards. Approximately $5.65 to $6.65 million is available to support five four-year UH3 awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Contacts vary by institute.

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Novel Analytical Approaches for Metabolomics Data (R03)

FON:
RFA-RM-17-001

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to foster collaboration between computational scientists, metabolomics experts, and biomedical researchers in developing, piloting, and/or validating novel bioinformatic
approaches that address current analytical hurdles in metabolomics data. A goal of providing powerful approaches that will be useful to biomedical researchers, as well as bioinformaticians, is particularly encouraged.

**ACTION:**
Requested letters of intent are due January 14, 2017. Applications are due February 14, 2017. Approximately $1 million is available to support six to seven awards.

**LINKS:**

**CONTACT:**
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Art Castle (NIDDK), 301/594-7719. Email: castlea@mail.nih.gov

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**FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:**
Potential Effects of Metformin on Aging and Age-Related Conditions: Small-Scale Clinical Studies and Secondary Analysis of Controlled Clinical Studies (R01)

**FON:**
PA-17-073

**AGENCY:**
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute on Aging, National Cancer Institute

**ITEM:**
Notice seeking applications supporting research to increase our understanding of the clinical translational potential of metformin to delay deleterious aging changes or to extend healthy human life span. Funds support small-scale physiologic studies in humans or secondary analyses of data and/or stored biospecimens from controlled clinical intervention studies. Funded projects must identify specific populations particularly likely to benefit from treatment, and/or obtaining information on metformin's human physiologic and cellular effects that would be useful in identifying novel molecular targets.

**ACTION:**
Applications are due annually on February 5, June 5, and October 5 until May 8, 2020. Multiple awards are anticipated.

**LINKS:**

**CONTACT:**
Chhanda Dutta, 301/496-4161. Email: duttac@mail.nih.gov

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**FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:**
Research Centers in Minority Institutions (U54)

**FON:**
RFA-MD-17-003
AGENCY:  
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities

ITEM:  
Notice seeking applications supporting efforts to support institutions that offer doctorate degrees in the health professions or in a health-related science and have a historical and current commitment to educating underrepresented students, and for institutions that deliver health care services, providing clinical services to medically underserved communities. Program goals include: enhance institutional research capacity within the areas of basic biomedical, behavioral, and/or clinical research; enable all levels of investigators to become more successful in obtaining competitive extramural support, particularly on diseases that disproportionately impact minority and other health disparity populations; foster environments conducive to career enhancement with a special emphasis on development of new and early career investigators; enhance the quality of all scientific inquiry and promote research on minority health and health disparities; and establish sustainable relationships with community-based organizations.

ACTION:  
Optional letters of intent are due by February 7, 2017. Applications are due by March 7, 2017. Approximately $20 million is available to support eight to ten awards.

Limited Submission:  
Only one application per institution is allowed

LINKS:  

CONTACT:  
Nathan Stinson, 301/594-8704. Email: stinsonn@mail.nih.gov (mailto:stinsonn@mail.nih.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:  
Research Grants for Preventing Violence and Violence Related Injury (R01)

FON:  
RFA-CE-17-003

AGENCY:  
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Center for Injury Prevention and Control Extramural Research Program Office

ITEM:  
Notice seeking applications supporting efforts to rigorously evaluate primary prevention strategies, programs, and policies to address specific gaps in the prevention of teen dating violence, intimate partner violence, sexual violence, and youth violence. Funds support work on primary prevention strategies, programs or policies that target universal or selected high-risk populations.

ACTION:  
Optional letters of intent are due by January 23, 2017. Applications are due by March 10, 2017. Approximately $1.05 million is available to support up to three awards.

LINKS:  
CONTACT:
Marcienne Wright, 770/488-4850.
Email: marcienne.wright@cdc.hhs.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Revision Awards to Institutional Training Programs to Advance Research on Alzheimer's Disease and Alzheimer's Disease Related Dementias (T32)

FON:
PAR-17-072

AGENCY:
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute on Aging, National Institute of Nursing Research

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting current active NIA and NINR institutional training grants that propose a new research emphasis on Alzheimer's disease and Alzheimer's disease related dementias (AD/ADRD). Funds also support proposals to expand the scope of AD/ADRD research on their existing training grant. The revision should provide for the seamless integration of AD/ADRD into the overall scientific emphasis of the ongoing training program.

ACTION:
Optional letters of intent are due 30 days before the chosen deadline. Applications are accepted on: March 2, 2017; January 25, 2018; and January 25, 2019. Approximately $1.2 million are available to support three to five awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Chyren Hunter, 301/496-9322. Email: hunterc@mail.nih.gov (mailto:hunterc@mail.nih.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Shared Instrumentation for Animal Research (SIFAR) Grant Program (S10)

FON:
PAR-17-075

AGENCY:
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Division of Program Coordination, Planning and Strategic Initiatives, Office of Research Infrastructure Programs

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications from groups of NIH-funded investigators to purchase or upgrade scientific instruments necessary to carry out animal experiments in all areas of biomedical research supported by the NIH. Applicants may request clusters of commercially available instruments configured as specialized integrated systems or as series of instruments to support a thematic workflow in a well-defined area of research using animals or related materials.

ACTION:
Applications are due May 31, 2017. Approximately $6 million is available to support 12 awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Willie McCullough, 301/435-0772. Email: SIG@mail.nih.gov (mailto:SIG@mail.nih.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Shared Instrumentation Grant (SIG) Program (S10)

FON:
PAR-17-074

AGENCY:
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Division of Program Coordination, Planning and Strategic Initiatives, Office of Research Infrastructure Programs

ITEM:
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 that cost at least $50,000. There is no maximum price requirement; however, the maximum award is $600,000.

ACTION:
Applications are due May 31, 2017. Approximately $35 million is available to support 75 awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Alena Horska, 301/435-0772. Email: SIG@mail.nih.gov (mailto:SIG@mail.nih.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Small Business Innovation Research Program (SBIR) Phase I

FON:
HHS-2017-ACL-NIDILRR-BISA-0194

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supports small businesses translate discoveries to commercialization that improve the abilities of individuals with disabilities to perform activities of their choice in the community and to expand society's capacity to provide full opportunities and accommodations for its citizens with disabilities. Institutions of higher education may partner.

ACTION:
Optional letters of intent are due by January 13, 2017. Applications are due by February 7, 2017. Approximately $1 million is available to support up to ten awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Brian Bard, Email: brian.bard@acl.hhs.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Technologies for Improving Minority Health and Eliminating Health Disparities (R41/R42)

FON:
RFA-MD-17-002

AGENCY:
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications that propose to develop a product, process or service for commercialization with the aim of reducing disparities in healthcare access and health outcomes in one or more NIH-defined health disparity population group(s).

ACTION:
Requested letters of intent are due January 22, 2017. Applications are due February 22, 2017. Approximately $1 million is available to support three to four awards. Colleges and universities are eligible to partner.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Vincent Thomas, 301/402-2516. Email: vincent.thomasjr@nih.gov (mailto:vincent.thomasjr@nih.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Utilizing Health Information Technology to Scale and Spread Successful Practice Models Using Patient-reported Outcomes (R18)

FON:
PA-17-077

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications for research that demonstrates how health information technology (IT) can improve patient-centered health outcomes and quality of care in primary care and other ambulatory settings through the scale and spread of successful, health IT-enabled practice models that use patient-reported outcome (PRO) measures to achieve these objectives.

ACTION:
Applications are due annually on January 25, May 25, and September 25.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Bryan Kim, 301/427-1505. Email: PROsHealthIT@ahrq.hhs.gov

MEETING:
Board of Scientific Counselors, National Center for Environmental Health/Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry

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

ITEM:
Notice announcing a meeting of the Board of Scientific Councilors (BSC), which is charged to conduct, encourage, cooperate with, and assist other appropriate public authorities, scientific institutions, and scientists in the conduct of research, investigations, experiments, demonstrations, and studies relating to the causes, diagnosis, treatment, control, and prevention of physical and mental diseases and other impairments. Agenda items include: Office of the Director updates; Hydraulic Fracturing; Program Responses to BSC Guidance and Action Items; HUD's Lead Hazard Control Program and Implications for a Change in the CDC Reference Value; Update on Support for Flint, Michigan; Update on Lead Surveillance Program; Recommendations from the BSC Lead Poisoning Prevention Subcommittee; Response to Public Health Emergencies; Federal Research Action Plan on Tire Crumb Used on and Playing Fields and Playgrounds; updates from the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, the U.S. Department of Energy and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION:
The meeting will be held from 8:30 am-4:30 pm, ET, January 17, 2017 and 8:30 am-11:30 am, ET, January 18, 2017 at the CDC, 4770 Buford Highway, Atlanta, Georgia.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Amanda Malasky, 770/488-7699. Email: yoo0@cdc.gov

MEETING:
MyVA Federal Advisory Committee; Notice of Meeting

AGENCY:
Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)

ITEM:
Notice announcing a meeting of the MyVA Advisory Committee, which advises on the MyVA initiative and VA's ability to rebuild trust with Veterans and other stakeholders, improve service delivery with a
focus on Veteran outcomes, and set the course for longer-term excellence and reform of VA. Agenda items include: areas for improvement on VA's work to date, plans for the future, and integration of the MyVA efforts.

**ACTION:**
The meetings will be held January 10-11, 2017, at the Department of Veterans Affairs, Georgetown University Lohrfink Auditorium—Ground Floor, Georgetown McDonough School of Business, Rafik B. Hariri Building, 37th and O Street NW., Washington, DC.

**LINKS:**

**CONTACT:**
Debra Walker, Email: Debra.Walker3@va.gov (mailto:Debra.Walker3@va.gov)

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**MEETING:**
National Institute of Nursing Research; Notice of Meeting

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

**ITEM:**
Notice announcing a meeting of the National Advisory Council for Nursing Research to discuss program policies and issues.

**ACTION:**
The meeting will be held on January 24, 2017, 1:00 pm to 4:45 pm at the National Institutes of Health, Building 31, 6th Floor, C Wing, Room 6, 31 Center Drive, Bethesda, MD.

**LINKS:**

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**NOTICE:**
Health and Human Services Grants Regulation

**AGENCY:**
Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

**ITEM:**
This final rule makes changes to the HHS's adoption of the Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards published on December 19, 2014 (79 FR 75871) and the technical amendments published by HHS on January 20, 2016 (81 FR 3004).

**ACTION:**
This rule is effective on January 11, 2017.
SCIENCE / TECHNOLOGY / ENGINEERING / MATH

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Biotechnology Risk Assessment Research Grants Program (BRAG)

FON:
USDA-NIFA-BRAP-006174

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to support the generation of new information that will assist Federal regulatory agencies in making science based decisions about the effects of introducing into the environment genetically engineered organisms (GE), including plants, microorganisms (including fungi, bacteria, and viruses), arthropods, fish, birds, mammals and other animals excluding humans.

ACTION:
Required letters of intent are due January 26, 2017. Applications are due March 30, 2017. Approximately $4 million is available.

LINKS:

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FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
CERCLA Research Cooperative Agreement

FON:
EPA-OLEM-OSRTI-16-07

AGENCY:
Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting efforts to promote and stimulate research for use by state environmental officials to address Superfund policy, or policy related to remediation of areas contaminated by industrial activity, as well as implementation issues of importance to states. Funds support research on environmental remediation efforts under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA). Funds support: Research; Coordination of research results and other information; and Travel to Other Meetings.

ACTION:
Applications are due by January 20, 2017. Approximately $1.5 million is available to support one award.

LINKS:

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FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Knowledge Aided GEOINT Latency Reduction (KAGLR)

FON:
FA8750-17-S-7004

AGENCY:
Department of Defense (Defense)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting efforts for research, development, integration, test and evaluation of technologies/techniques to provide geospatial intelligence (GEOINT) in all its forms and from whatever source - imagery, imagery intelligence, or geospatial data and information - to ensure a solid foundation of knowledge for planning, decision, and action while creating tailored, customer-specific geospatial intelligence, analytic services, and solutions.

ACTION:
White papers are accepted at any time. It is recommended that white papers be received by 3 PM ET on the following dates to maximize the possibility of award: January 31, 2017; June 30, 2017; June 29, 2018; June 28, 2019; June 26, 2020, and September 30, 2021. Approximately $49.9 million is available to support multiple awards.

LINKS:
FBO (https://www.fbo.gov/?s=opportunity&mode=form&id=a4d19a607053e32b692fc2fd63b6d285&tab=core&_cview=0)

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FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
New Frontiers Program

AGENCY:
National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting space science investigations. Focus areas include: Comet Surface Sample Return; Lunar South Pole-Aitken Basin Sample Return; Ocean Worlds (Titan and/or Enceladus); Saturn Probe; Trojan Tour and Rendezvous; and Venus In Situ Explorer.

ACTION:
Applications are due by April 28, 2017, Multiple awards are anticipated.
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Research to Advance Comprehensive Exploitation of RF (RACER)

FON:
FA8650-17-S-1005

AGENCY:
Department of Defense (Defense)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting research into RF exploitation challenges as well as related foundational concepts such as advanced imaging and processing. This research investigates evolutionary and revolutionary improvements to RF sensor exploitation algorithms and related processing capabilities, including spatial diversity, waveform diversity, transmit and receive adaptively, and signals of opportunity.

ACTION:
Optional intents to propose are requested by January 19, 2017. Applications are due by February 3, 2017. Approximately $24 million is available to support one award.

LINKS:
Federal Register (https://www.fbo.gov/?s=opportunity&mode=form&tab=core&id=d71ec1e0fbab99b453e0ef9688ac15a5&_cview=0)

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MEETING:
Announcement of Scientific Earthquake Studies Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY:
Department of the Interior (Interior), U.S. Geological Survey

ITEM:
Notice announcing a teleconference meeting of the Scientific Earthquake Studies Advisory Committee, which advises the Director of the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) on matters relating to the USGS’s participation in the National Earthquake Hazards Reduction Program. Agenda items include current activities and future priorities of the program.

ACTION:
The meeting will be held from 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm ET on January 5, 2017 by teleconference.
LINKS:

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MEETING:
President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology

AGENCY:
Department of Energy (Energy)

ITEM:
Notice announcing the President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss its study semiconductors as well as its review on the National Nanotechnology Initiative, and other science and technology topics.

ACTION:
The meeting will be held January 6, 2017, 9:00 am to noon at the National Academy of Sciences, 2101 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC in the Lecture Room.

LINKS:

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NOTICE:
Pre-Qualification Request for Information for the Evaluation of DOE's Cleantech University Prize and Solar Decathlon Programs

FON:
ASL-2017-01

AGENCY:
Department of Energy (Energy), Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory

ITEM:
Notice seeking information on how an interested party would conduct a joint-evaluation of the Department of Energy, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy's Cleantech University Prize and Solar Decathlon programs. Funds support efforts to determine the impacts of the program, and how they differ from previous efforts.

ACTION:
Responses are due by December 21, 2016.

LINKS:
Federal Register (https://www.fbo.gov/?s=opportunity&mode=form&tab=core&id=a2548ac51083a4f29eacf7494fc649c5&_cview=0)

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