Notices from January 11, 2018 to January 12, 2018

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**ARTS / HUMANITIES / INTERNATIONAL**

**FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:**
American English E-Teacher Program

**FON:**
ECA-ECAALW-18-002

**AGENCY:**
Department of State (State), Bureau Of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA)

**ITEM:**
Notice seeking applications supporting the opportunity for professional development for foreign English teaching professionals through high-quality virtual exchange components including online university-level Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages methodology courses, online English language learning courses, Massive Open Online Courses webinars, digital libraries, communities of practice and other types of engaging and innovative virtual learning.

**ACTION:**
Applications are due by March 12, 2018. Approximately $5 million is available to support one award. Cost sharing is encouraged, but not required.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Curtis Chan, 202/632-9417. Email: ChanCM3@state.gov (mailto:ChanCM3@state.gov)

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FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Future Cybersecurity Leaders Exchange

FON:
DOS-LONDON-PD-2018-01

AGENCY:
Department of State (State), U.S. Mission to the United Kingdom

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to develop and implement 14-day exchange program in the United States for eight 16 year-old youth participants (age as of July 1st, 2018) from the United Kingdom, to be selected by our UK government partners. The program will provide both a brief touring component designed to provide a well-rounded introduction to a range of cybersecurity challenges and exploration of U.S. public and private sector approaches, as well as a residential ‘summer camp’ component with a focus on practical training and collaborative skill building activities.

ACTION:
Applications are due February 2, 2018. Cost Sharing is encouraged. Up to $75,000 is available to support one award.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
U.S. Embassy in London, Email: LondonGrants@state.gov (mailto:LondonGrants@state.gov)

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FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
FY 2018 English Access Microscholarship Program

FON:
ECA-ECAALW-18-003

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to provides a foundation of English language skills to bright, economically disadvantaged students, primarily aged 13 to 20, worldwide through extracurricular classes in their home countries.

ACTION:
Applications are due March 12, 2018. Up to $26 million is available to support one award. Organizations with less than four years of experience in conducting international exchanges
are ineligible to apply under this competition.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Melissa Fernandez, 202/632-9276. Email: accessprogram@state.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
FY2018 Young Southeast Asian Leaders Initiative (YSEALI) Academic Fellowship

FON:
ECA-ECAAE-18-014

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications for the design and implementation of twelve (12) Young Southeast Asian Leaders Initiative (YSEALI) Academic Fellowship Institutes. The Institutes should take place in the fall of 2018 and spring of 2019, pending the availability of FY 2018 funds. The YSEALI Academic Fellowship will provide up to approximately 250 undergraduate and recent graduates from throughout Southeast Asia with a foundation in one of three themes: Civic Engagement, Environmental Issues and Natural Resource Management, and Social Entrepreneurship and Economic Development.

ACTION:
Applications are due March 12, 2018. Up to $10.8 million is available to support three awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Jessica Chesbro, 202/632-3239. Email: ChesbroJK@state.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Institutes for Advanced Topics in the Digital Humanities

FON:
20180313-HT

AGENCY:
National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH), Office of Digital Humanities (ODH)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting national or regional (multistate) training programs for scholars, humanities professionals, and advanced graduate students to broaden and extend their knowledge of digital humanities. Funds support efforts to increase the number of humanities scholars and practitioners using digital technology in their research and to broadly disseminate knowledge about advanced technology tools and methodologies relevant to the humanities.

ACTION:
Applications are due by March 13, 2018. Approximately $50,000-$250,000 per award is available to support multiple awards.
LINKS:

CONTACT:
Office of Digital Humanities, Email: odh@neh.gov (mailto:odh@neh.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
On-Demand Youth Leadership Program

FON:
ECA-ECAPEC-18-032

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to provide exchanges in the United States for international high school students ages 15-18 and their U.S. peers, and adult educators or community leaders from countries and regions identified as Department of State priorities. Exchange activities will focus on civic education, community service, and youth leadership development. Participants will engage in a variety of activities such as workshops on leadership and service, community site visits related to program themes and subthemes, interactive training and discussion groups, presentations, visits to high schools, local cultural activities, homestays, and other activities.

ACTION:
Applications are due by March 12, 2018. Approximately $1 million is available to support one award. Cost sharing is encouraged, but not required.

Limited Submission:
Applicants may submit only one proposal under this competition.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Kofi Obeng-Asiedu, 202/632-6410. Email: ObengAsieduK@State.Gov (mailto:ObengAsieduK@State.Gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Programs Fostering Civil, Political, Religious, and Labor Rights in Cuba

FON:
SFOP0003688

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking statements of intent that inform, educate, and build support among the Cuban people for Cuban-led initiatives promoting the civil, political, labor, and religious rights of all Cuban citizens; strengthen the efficacy and increase the reach of those initiatives in Cuba; document abuses of human rights, including for use in domestic and international advocacy; and increase the free flow of
information to, from, and within Cuba. Projects should be based on consultative dialogue with local Cuban partners and present sound strategies to develop organizational capacity and foster collaboration among diverse segments of Cuba’s independent civil society.

**ACTION:**
Applications are due by February 12, 2018. Approximately $5.6 million is available to support multiple awards.

**LINKS:**

**CONTACT:**
Program staff, Email: DRLCubaGrants@state.gov (mailto:DRLCubaGrants@state.gov)

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**FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:**
Promoting Innovation by Linking Social Entrepreneurs with CSR Opportunities

**FON:**
M-NOFO-18-101

**AGENCY:**
Department of State (State), U.S. Mission to India

**ITEM:**
Notice seeking applications supporting efforts to help bridge the gap between innovative ideas for social good and funding sources by creating a forum for Indian entrepreneurs to develop social enterprise models, business plans, and showcase their problem-solving ideas at a competition for funding from Indian and American corporate social responsibility programs. Focus areas include: Promote innovation and social enterprise to address social and developmental challenges facing western India; Build India’s capacity to advance economic development in a socially responsible way; and Strengthen people-to-people ties between the United States and India by promoting linkages between the corporate and social/educational sectors of India and the United States.

**ACTION:**
Applications are due by March 9, 2018. Approximately $55,000 is available to support one award.

**LINKS:**

**CONTACT:**
Grants Applications Manager, Public Affairs Section, U.S. Consulate General, Mumbai, India, Email: MumbaiPublicAffairs@state.gov (mailto:MumbaiPublicAffairs@state.gov)

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**FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:**
Trans-Sahara Counterterrorism Partnership (TSCTP) Countering Violent Extremism (CVE) Project-Senegal

**FON:**
DKR-NOFO-FY18-01

**AGENCY:**
Department of State (State), U.S. Mission to Senegal
ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to carry out a program (or programs) to help counter violent extremism. Trans-Sahara Counterterrorism Partnership (TSCTP) is the U.S. Government's primary multi-year interagency vehicle to cooperate with partner countries in the Sahel and the Maghreb to strengthen civilian, military, and law enforcement capacity to counter terrorism and the spread of violent extremism.

ACTION:
Applications are due February 14, 2018. Approximately $300,000 is available to support two awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Questions, Email: DakarNOFO@state.gov (mailto:DakarNOFO@state.gov)

EDUCATION / ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Environmental Education Local Grants Program for Region 4 -- Solicitation Notice for 2018

FON:
EPA-EE-18-04

AGENCY:
Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to support locally-focused environmental education projects that increase public awareness and knowledge about environmental and conservation issues and provide the skills that participants in its funded projects need to make informed decisions and take responsible actions toward the environment.

ACTION:
Applications are due March 15, 2018. Approximately $300,000 is available to support three or four awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Karen Scott, Email: EEGrants@EPA.gov (mailto:EEGrants@EPA.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Graduate Research Fellowship in Social and Behavioral Sciences

FON:
NIJ-2018-13640

AGENCY:
Department of Justice (Justice)
ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting innovative doctoral dissertation research in the social and behavioral sciences that is relevant to supporting crime reduction, enhancing investigations and prosecutions, protecting police officers and other public safety personnel, combating the opioid epidemic, victimization, and addressing illegal immigration in the United States. Universities must apply, not the doctoral candidate.

ACTION:
Applications are due by March 12, 2018. Approximately $320,000 is available to support up to 10 awards.

Limited Submission:
An applicant may submit more than one application under this solicitation, but each application must propose sponsoring a different doctoral candidate’s dissertation research.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
National Criminal Justice Reference Service, 1800/851-3420. Email grants@ncjrs.gov (mailto:grants@ncjrs.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
OVW FY 2018 Research and Evaluation Initiative

FON:
OVW-2018-14240

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting efforts to research and evaluate approaches to combatting domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence, and stalking. Funds may support researcher-practitioner partnerships and a broad range of research and evaluation methods, including qualitative, mixed-method, and quasi-experimental designs. Priority areas include "Implementation research on the National Protocol for Sexual Assault Medical Forensic Exams-Adult/Adolescent (SAFE Protocol)" and "Evaluations of Violence Against Women Act (VAWA)-funded interventions".

ACTION:
Applications are due by March 5, 2017. Approximately $2.4 million is available to support multiple awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Ginger Baran Lyons, 202/305-2093. Email: Virginia.Baran@usdoj.gov (mailto:Virginia.Baran@usdoj.gov)
AGENCY:
Department of Defense (Defense), Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness

ITEM:
Notice announcing a meeting of the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences.

ACTION:
The meeting will be held February 6, 2018 from 8:00 am to 10:05 am ET at 4301 Jones Bridge Road, Bethesda, MD.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Jennifer Nuetzi James, 301/295-3066. Email: jennifer.nuetzi-james@usuhs.edu

HEALTH

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
African Association for Health Professions Education and Research (R25)(Clinical Trials Not Allowed)

FON:
RFA-TW-18-001

AGENCY:
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Fogarty International Center (FIC)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to support educational activities that complement and/or enhance the training of a workforce to meet Africa's biomedical, behavioral and clinical research needs by supporting the establishment of an African Association for Health Professions Education and Research (the "Association").

ACTION:
Requested letters of intent are due February 28, 2018. Applications are due March 28, 2018. Approximately $750,000 is available to support one award.

Limited Submission:
Only one application per institution is allowed.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Flora Katz, 301/402-9591. Email: katzf@mail.nih.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Complex Technologies and Therapeutics Development for Mental Health Research and Practice (R41/R42)
FON: PA-18-579

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to support small businesses to develop technologies that can advance the mission of the Institute, including in basic neuroscience research relevant to mental disorders, translational and clinical research of mental disorders, clinical diagnosis or treatment of mental disorders, and dissemination of evidence-based mental health care.

ACTION:
Letters of intent are due 30 days prior to the application due date. Applications are due September 5, January 5, and April 5, annually.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Margaret Grabb, 301/443-3563. Email: mgrabb@mail.nih.gov (mailto:mgrabb@mail.nih.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Disability and Rehabilitation Research Projects (DRRP) Program: Traumatic Brain Injury Model System (TBIMS) Centers Collaborative Research Project

FON:
HHS-2018-ACL-NIDILRR-DPTB-0253

AGENCY:
Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Administration for Community Living (ACL)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to improve the lives of individuals with TBI through a multi-site collaborative research project on a topic(s) related to rehabilitation following traumatic brain injury (TBI).

ACTION:
Letters of intent are due February 16, 2018. Applications are due March 13, 2018. Approximately $600,000 is available to support one award.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Cate Miller, 202/795-7403. Email: cate.miller@acl.hhs.gov (mailto:cate.miller@acl.hhs.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Drug Free Communities - New
FON: SP-18-002

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

ITEM: Notice seeking applications to 1) Establish and strengthen collaboration among communities, public and private non-profit agencies, as well as federal, state, local, and tribal governments to support the efforts of community coalitions working to prevent and reduce substance abuse among youth. 2) Reduce substance abuse among youth and, over time, reduce substance abuse among adults by addressing the factors in a community that increase the risk of substance abuse and promoting the factors that minimize the risk of substance abuse.

ACTION: Applications are due March 29, 2018. Approximately $15 million is available to support 120 awards. Cost Sharing is required.


CONTACT: DFC FOA Helpline Team, 240/276-1270. Email: dfcnew@samhsa.hhs.gov (mailto:dfcnew@samhsa.hhs.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY: Emotional Function in Normal Aging and/or MCI and AD/ADRD (R01 - Clinical Trial Optional)

FON: PAR-18-581

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

ITEM: Notice seeking applications that expand on foundational research demonstrating generally improved emotional function and emotion regulation with aging, to further clarify the trajectories of change in emotion processing and linked neurobiological factors in adults who are aging normally, as well as in individuals with mild cognitive impairment (MCI), Alzheimer's disease (AD), and Alzheimer's disease-related dementias (ADRD).

ACTION: Applications are due March 29, 2018; June 8, 2018; February 8, 2019; June 7, 2019; February 7, 2020; and June 8, 2020. Approximately $2.5 million is available to support five to eight awards in FY 2018.


CONTACT:
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Emotional Function in Normal Aging and/or MCI and AD/ADRD (R21 - Clinical Trial Not Allowed)
FON:
PAR-18-582
AGENCY:
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute on Aging (NIA)
ITEM:
Notice seeking applications that expand on foundational research demonstrating generally improved emotional function and emotion regulation with aging, to further clarify the trajectories of change in emotion processing and linked neurobiological factors in adults who are aging normally, as well as in individuals with mild cognitive impairment (MCI), Alzheimer’s disease (AD), and Alzheimer’s disease-related dementias (ADRD).
ACTION:
Applications are due March 29, 2018; June 20, 2018; February 20, 2019; June 20, 2019; February 20, 2020; and June 22, 2020. Approximately $2.5 million is available to support five to eight awards in FY 2018.
LINKS:
CONTACT:
Lis Nielsen, 301/402-4156. Email: nielsenli@nia.nih.gov (mailto:nielsenli@nia.nih.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Health Workforce Research Center Cooperative Agreement Program
FON:
HRSA-18-028
AGENCY:
Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)
ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to: Collect, analyze, and report health workforce program data to the National Center for Health Workforce Analysis and to the public; and Provide technical assistance to local and regional entities on the collection, analysis, and reporting of health workforce data.
ACTION:
Applications are due April 12, 2018. Approximately $1.35 million is available to support two awards.
LINKS:
CONTACT:
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Investigational New Drug (IND)-enabling Development of Medications to Treat Alcohol Use disorder and Alcohol-related disorders (U44 and UT2 - Clinical Trial Optional)

FON:
PAR-18-578; PAR-18-580

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications and STTR applications that propose the development of therapeutic agents for disorders that fall under the mission of NIAAA.

ACTION:
Requested letters of intent are due 30 days prior to the application due date. Applications are due March 27, 2018; December 4, 2018; March 27, 2019; December 4, 2019; March 27, 2020; and December 4, 2020. Partnership opportunities may exist for colleges and universities.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
LOI: Abraham Bautista, 301/443-9737. Email: bautista@mail.nih.gov
Raye Litten, 301/443-0636. Email: rlitten@mail.nih.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
New Epidemiology Cohort Studies in Heart, Lung, Blood, and Sleep Diseases and Disorders (U01 - Clinical Trials Not Allowed)

FON:
PAR-18-577

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to support new and innovative epidemiology research in heart, lung, blood, and/or sleep diseases, disorders, and/or phenotypes.

ACTION:
Requested letters of intent are due 30 days prior to the application due date. Applications are due June 5, 2018 and June 5, 2020. Approximately $3 million is available to support one award in FY 2019.

LINKS:
CONTACT:
LOI: Director, Office of Scientific Review, 301/435-0270.
Email: NHLBICliefReviewBranch@nhlbi.nih.gov (mailto:NHLBICliefReviewBranch@nhlbi.nih.gov)
Scientific: Email: NewEpiCohorts@nhlbi.nih.gov (mailto:NewEpiCohorts@nhlbi.nih.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Patient Safety Learning Laboratories: Pursuing Safety in Diagnosis and Treatment at the Intersection of Design, Systems Engineering, and Health Services Research (R18)
FON:
RFA-HS-18-001
AGENCY:
Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)
ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to identify closely related threats to diagnostic or treatment efforts associated with a high burden of harm and cost.
ACTION:
Requested letters of intent are due February 26, 2018. Applications are due March 26, 2018. Approximately $5 million is available to support up to eight awards.
LINKS:
CONTACT:
Kerm Henriksen, 301/427-1331. Email: Kerm.Henriksen@ahrq.hhs.gov (mailto:Kerm.Henriksen@ahrq.hhs.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Rehabilitation Engineering Research Centers (RERC) Program: RERC on Rehabilitation Strategies, Techniques, and Interventions
FON:
HHS-2018-ACL-NIDILRR-REGE-0257
AGENCY:
Administration for Community Living (ACL), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute on Disability, Independent Living, and Rehabilitation Research (NIDILRR)
ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting research and development that leads to rehabilitation practices and services that improve the health and the physical, cognitive, sensory, and communication abilities of people with a wide range of disabling conditions. Rehabilitation engineering in this area should result in new or improved products, devices, and technological advances that enhance rehabilitation services in clinical, community, or home settings.
ACTION:
Optional letters of intent are due by February 15, 2018. Applications are due by March 12, 2018. Approximately $925,000 is available to support up to two awards.
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Underactive Bladder and Detrusor Activity in Aging (R01 Clinical Trial Optional)

FON:
PA-18-570

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

ITEM:
Notice supporting basic, clinical, or translational research on underactive bladder (UAB) and detrusor underactivity (DU) and its consequences in aging and in older persons. Applications should focus on: biology, etiology and pathophysiology of DU or UAB in animal models and/or older adults; translation of basic/clinical research into clinical practice and health decision making; diagnosis, prevention, management and clinical outcomes of UAB in older adults; and/or epidemiology and risk factors for the development of DU/UAB with advancing age. Research supported by this initiative should enhance knowledge of DU/UAB and its consequences in older adults and provide evidence-based guidance in the diagnosis, evaluation, and treatment of DU/UAB in older persons.

ACTION:
Applications are due annually on February 5, June 5, and October 5 annually until May 8, 2021. Multiple awards are anticipated

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Candace Kerr, 301/827-4474. Email: candace.kerr@nih.gov (mailto:candace.kerr@nih.gov)
and/or epidemiology and risk factors for the development of DU/UAB with advancing age. Pilot/feasibility research supported by this initiative should enhance knowledge of DU/UAB and its consequences in older adults and provide evidence-based guidance in the diagnosis, evaluation, and treatment of DU/UAB in older persons.

ACTION:
Applications are due annually until February 16, June 16, and October 16 until May 8, 2021. Approximately $100,000 per award is available to support multiple awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Candace Kerr, 301/827-4474. Email: candace.kerr@nih.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Underactive Bladder and Detrusor Activity in Aging (R21 Clinical Trial Optional)

FON:
PA-18-572

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

ITEM:
Notice supporting exploratory basic, clinical, or translational research on underactive bladder (UAB) and detrusor underactivity (DU) and its consequences in aging and in older persons. Applications should focus on: biology, etiology and pathophysiology of DU or UAB in animal models and/or older adults; translation of basic/clinical research into clinical practice and health decision-making; diagnosis, prevention, management and clinical outcomes of UAB in older adults; and/or epidemiology and risk factors for the development of DU/UAB with advancing age. Research supported by this initiative should enhance knowledge of DU/UAB and its consequences in older adults and provide evidence-based guidance in the diagnosis, evaluation, and treatment of DU/UAB in older persons.

ACTION:
Applications are due annually on February 16, June 16, and October 16 until May 8, 2021. Approximately $275,000 per award is available to support multiple awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Candace Kerr, 301/827-4474. Email: candace.kerr@nih.gov

MEETING:
Anesthetic and Analgesic Drug Products Advisory Committee; Notice of Meeting; Establishment of a Public Docket; Request for Comments

AGENCY:
Food and Drug Administration (FDA), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)
ITEM:
Notice announcing a meeting of the Anesthetic and Analgesic Drug Products Advisory Committee.

ACTION:
The meeting will be held February 14, 2018 from 1:30 pm to 5:00 pm and February 15, 2018 from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm ET at 10903 New Hampshire Avenue, Silver Spring, MD.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Moon Hee V. Choi, 301/796-9001. Email: AADPAC@fda.hhs.gov

MEETING:
Center for Substance Abuse Prevention; Notice of Meeting

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

ITEM:
Notice announcing a meeting of the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention National Advisory Council.

ACTION:
The meeting will be held February 14, 2018 from 9:30 am to 4:30 pm ET at 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Matthew Aumen, 240/276-2440. Email: matthew.aumen@samhsa.hhs.gov

MEETING:
Risk Communication Advisory Committee; Notice of Meeting; Establishment of a Public Docket; Request for Comments

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

ITEM:
Notice announcing a meeting of the Risk Communication Advisory Committee.

ACTION:
The meeting will be held March 5, 2018 from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm and March 6, 2018 from 9:00 am to 12:30 pm ET at 10903 New Hampshire Ave, Silver Spring, MD.

LINKS:
SCIENCE / TECHNOLOGY / ENGINEERING / MATH

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Antarctic Research

FON:
18-530

AGENCY:
Directorate for Geosciences (GEO), National Science Foundation (NSF), Office of Polar Programs

ITEM:
Notice seeking proposals for research that crosses and combines, disciplinary perspectives and approaches to scientific research in Antarctica and the Southern Ocean.

ACTION:
Proposals are accepted anytime. Approximately $55 million is available to support 50 awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Jessie Crain, 703/292-7457. Email: jlcrain@nsf.gov (mailto:jlcrain@nsf.gov)

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FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Enhanced Superconductors for Future Naval Applications

FON:
N00014-18-R-SN02

AGENCY:
Navy (Navy), Department of Defense (Defense), Office of Naval Research (ONR)

ITEM:
Notice seeking white papers supporting efforts to advance the state-of-the-art characteristics of high temperature superconductors to support applications demanding power delivery, pulsed current delivery, alternating current and direct current magnetic fields, and magnetic energy storage. Focus areas include: Superconducting Materials; Superconducting Tape Processing and Modification; Superconductors for Novel Applications; and Superconducting State Protections.

ACTION:
White papers are accepted at any time, but ONR recommends submitting not later than February 10, 2018. Approximately $150,000 per award is available to support up to four awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Fiscal Year (FY) 2018 Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) for the Office of Naval Research (ONR), on behalf of the Office of the Secretary of Defense (OSD), for the Manufacturing Engineering Education Program
FON:
N00014-18-S-F005
AGENCY:
Navy (Navy), Department of Defense (Defense), Office of Naval Research (ONR)
ITEM:
Notice seeking white papers to support industry-relevant, manufacturing-focused, engineering training at United States institutions of higher education, industry, nonprofit institutions, and consortia of such institutions or industry. The purpose of this program is to establish new or to enhance existing programs (or collections of programs) to better position the current and next-generation manufacturing workforce to produce military systems and components that assure technological superiority for the Department of Defense (DoD).
ACTION:
Mandatory white papers are due February 16, 2018. Invited applications are due May 16, 2018. Approximately $5.4 million is available to support three awards.
LINKS:
CONTACT:
William Mullins, Email: william.m.mullins@navy.mil (mailto:william.m.mullins@navy.mil)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Graduate Research Fellowship in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics
FON:
NIJ-2018-13638
AGENCY:
Department of Justice (Justice)
ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting innovative doctoral dissertation research in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics that is relevant to providing solutions to prevent and control crime, and ensure the fair and impartial administration of criminal justice in the United States. Universities must apply, not the doctoral candidate.
ACTION:
Applications are due by March 12, 2018. Approximately $1.5 million is available to support up to 10 awards.
Limited Submission:
An applicant may submit more than one application under this solicitation, but each application must propose sponsoring a different doctoral candidate's dissertation research.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
National Criminal Justice Reference Service Response Center, 1800/851-3420. Email grants@ncjrs.gov (mailto:grants@ncjrs.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Plant Feedstock Genomics for Bioenergy
FON:
DE-FOA-0001857
AGENCY:
Department of Energy (Energy), Office of Science
ITEM:
Notice seeking applications for genomics-based research that will lead to the improved use of plant biomass and feedstocks for the production of biofuels and renewable chemical feedstocks.
ACTION:
Required pre-applications are due February 9, 2018. Applications are due April 20, 2018. Approximately $4 million is available for multiple awards.
LINKS:
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NOTICE:
Blue Force Tracking - 3rd Generation (BFT-3) Open Systems Architecture (OSA)
FON:
BlueForceTrackingRFI
AGENCY:
Army (Army), Department of Defense (Defense)
ITEM:
Notice seeking information on an open standard architecture solution, and commercially available technical concepts & ideas for inclusion into components of the architecture of the next generation Blue Force Tracking (BFT) network.
ACTION:
Responses are due February 26, 2018.
NOTICE:
Notice of NIST’s Consortium for the Advancement of Genome Editing

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

ITEM:
Notice announcing the establishment of the Genome Editing Consortium with the goal of bringing together stakeholders across the genome editing community to identify and address measurement and standards needs to support this technical area.

ACTION:
Letters of interest are due by January 1, 2020. Participation fees will be at least $20,000 annually.

LINKS:

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NOTICE:
Promoting Stakeholder Action Against Botnets and Other Automated Threats

AGENCY:
Department of Commerce (Commerce), National Telecommunications and Information Administration

ITEM:
Notice seeking comment on “Strengthening the Cybersecurity of Federal Networks and Critical Infrastructure.”

ACTION:
Comments will be accepted through February 12, 2018.

LINKS:

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