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ARTS / HUMANITIES / INTERNATIONAL

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Accessible Continuum of Care and Essential Services Sustained (ACCESS) Program in Madagascar

FON:
72068718RFA00004

AGENCY:
United States Agency for International Development (USAID)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications for a cooperative agreement from US and Non-US organizations to increase the capacity of the Malagasy health system to deliver quality essential health services to rural and urban populations. The agreement will strengthen the service delivery continuum through community health volunteers, primary health facilities or, and district hospitals by improving clinical and non-clinical skills of health providers and through focused efforts to strengthen health systems at the district level and below.

ACTION:
Applications are due April 19, 2018 at 4:00 p.m. local Antananarivo time. Approximately $90 million is anticipated over five years for one award. Cost sharing of at least seven percent is required.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Verohantan'Iaina Rabemanantsoa. Email: verabemanantsoa@usaid.gov (mailto:verabemanantsoa@usaid.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Countering Disinformation in South India: A Regional Media Literacy Initiative

FON:
C-NOFO-18-100
AGENCY: 
Department of State (State)

ITEM: 
Notice seeking proposals to organize a series of two-day media workshops focused on building local journalists’ capacity to identify and analyze the issue of misinformation and disinformation within the digital space in South India.

ACTION: 
Proposals are due April 27, 2018. $45,000 to $55,000 is available for one award.

LINKS: 

CONTACT: 
Grant Applications Manager, US Consulate, Chennai. Email: ChennaiPASG@State.Gov (mailto:ChennaiPASG@State.Gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY: 
Developing Academic Partnerships and Collaborative Research on Countering Violent Extremism in Malaysia and Southeast Asia

FON: 
SMY300-18-CVE-RE

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

ITEM: 
Notice seeking applications to carry out a program in Malaysia to further research violent extremism in Southeast Asia and to create linkages between academic institutions in SE Asia and researchers in the United States.

ACTION: 
Applications are due March 30, 2018. Approximately $500,000 is available to support one award.

LINKS: 

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

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY: 
Feed the Future Innovation Lab on Fish (Fish Innovation Lab)

FON: 
7200AA18RFA00006

AGENCY: 
United States Agency for International Development (USAID)
ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting the development of a Feed the Future Innovation lab focused on aquaculture and fisheries research, as well as capacity development at the smallholder and food systems level. Funds support the development of a global portfolio of aquaculture and fisheries research-for-development activities. Projects should make available improved knowledge, technologies, and practices that unlock the potential of fish production in targeted countries, as well as build partner-country capacity to independently generate and transfer fish-related knowledge, technologies, and practices to beneficiaries after the conclusion of USAID-funded activities.

ACTION:
Applications are due by May 23, 2018 by 1:00 p.m. ET. Approximately $15 million is available to support one leader award.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Michele Maximilien, 202/567-5073. Email: mmaxilien@usaid.gov (mailto:mmaxilien@usaid.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
FY 2018 International Sports Programming Initiative (ISPI)

FON:
ECA-ECAPEC-18-102

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to manage sports exchange projects designed to reach underserved youth and/or their coaches/sports administrators who manage youth sports programs. The International Sports Programming Initiative uses sports to help underserved youth around the world develop important leadership skills, achieve academic success, promote tolerance and respect for diversity, and positively contribute to their home and host communities.

ACTION:
Applications are due April 30, 2018. Approximately $2.1 million is available for three awards to support projects lasting up to three years. Cost sharing is encouraged.

Limited Submission:
One application per institution

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Ryan Murphy, 202/632-6058. Email: MurphyRM@state.gov (mailto:MurphyRM@state.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
FY 2018 Youth Leadership Programs with Algeria, Iraq, the Philippines, and Russia
FON:
ECA-ECAPEC-18-103

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to provide youth with four week exchanges in the United States focused on the primary themes of civic education, leadership development, respect for diversity, and community engagement and to support the implementation of service projects in their home communities. ECA is supporting four distinct, single-country Youth Leadership Programs with Algeria, Iraq, the Philippines, and Russia. Each program will feature a substantive four-week exchange in the United States for students (age 15-17).

ACTION:
Applications are due April 30, 2018. Approximately $1.26 million is available for four awards across four purpose areas to support projects lasting up to three years. Cost sharing is encouraged.

Limited Submission:
One application per institution

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Sarah Shields, 202/632-9261. Email: ShieldsSD@state.gov (mailto:ShieldsSD@state.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
FY18 DRL Blockchain and Worker Rights

FON:
SFOP0004173

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications for projects that develop and pilot the use of a blockchain solution to solve worker rights challenges. Blockchain, a public distributed ledger that records transactions in a verifiable and permanent way, is a relatively new technology that governments, international organizations, and businesses worldwide are exploring to solve a range of social and political problems; however, its potential to solve intractable human right challenges remains largely unexplored.

ACTION:
Applications are due April 13, 2018. Approximately $500,000 is available to support one award.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Questions, Email: DRLLaborGrants@state.gov (mailto:DRLLaborGrants@state.gov)
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
FY18 DRL Labor Rights and Mega Sporting Events

FON:
SFOP0004171

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications for projects to address the potential negative human rights and labor rights impacts of international mega-sporting events. Proposals should address existing global and regional mechanisms in the relevant country/countries proposed and discuss how the proposed program will be complementary and fill identified gaps.

ACTION:
Applications are due April 16, 2018. Approximately $500,000 is available to support one award.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Email: DRLLaborGrants@state.gov (mailto:DRLLaborGrants@state.gov)

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FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Homestay Small Grants Program

FON:
005-FY2018

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications for civic education programs that address school segregation or other problems that divide students along ethnic lines. This small-grants competition will award projects designed explicitly as home-stay exchange programs that contribute to democracy and human rights education, with interaction and the development of tolerance between the ethnically, religiously and geographically diverse communities of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

ACTION:
Applications are due March 30, 2018. Approximately $100,000 is available for 10 awards to support projects lasting up to one year. Cost sharing is encouraged.

Limited Submission:
One application per institution

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Project Officer, Email: SarajevoHomestayBiH@state.gov (mailto:SarajevoHomestayBiH@state.gov)
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Information Access Fund

FON:
SFOP0004178

AGENCY:
Department of State (State), Public Affairs

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to implement programming to counter foreign state and non-state propaganda and disinformation efforts aimed at undermining United States national security interests.

ACTION:
Applications are due April 11, 2018. Approximately $5 million is available to support multiple awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Marie Moser, Email: mosermc@state.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
TechCamp South Asia for Women Social Entrepreneurs

FON:
ND-NOFO-18-105

AGENCY:
Department of State (State)

ITEM:
Notice seeking proposals for a cooperative agreement to implement one or both activities of a “TechCamp” project focused on growing women-owned social enterprises in India and Pakistan, which includes a workshop and follow-on. Funds support two objectives: develop the capacity of Indian and Pakistani female social entrepreneurs to use digital tools and strategies to grow businesses that address social challenges and contribute to economic growth in their communities; and build collaboration among Indian and Pakistani female social entrepreneurs through sustainable formal and informal networks.

ACTION:
Applications are due March 27, 2018. One or more awards are available with a ceiling of $200,000.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Grants Application Manager, Email: ND_GrantApplications@state.gov
FON:
DOS-BAGHDAD-PD-2018-005

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting efforts to send ten academics and Iraqi media commentators, selected by Embassy staff, to the United States for a ten-day exchange program to meet with representatives of American think tanks, U.S. government representatives, and international and media organizations. Topics to be covered include the role of think tanks and policy research institutions in U.S. society, the collaboration of think tanks with educational institutions, NGOs, and government branches, U.S.-Iraq bilateral relations in the post-ISIS era, the continued International Coalition role in Iraq post-ISIS, investment opportunities in Iraq for American companies, Iraqi Prime Minister Abadi's anti-corruption and national reconciliation efforts, and relations between the Iraqi federal government in Baghdad and the Iraqi Kurdistan Regional Government.

ACTION:
Applications are due by March 31, 2018. Approximately $100,000 is available to support one award.

LINKS:

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

MEETING:
International Wildlife Conservation Council; Public Meeting

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

ITEM:
Notice announcing a meeting of the international Wildlife Conservation Council to discuss international wildlife conservation programs conducted by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service; U.S. Government efforts to combat wildlife trafficking; and other Council business.

ACTION:
The meeting will be held on March 16, 2018 from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. ET at the South Penthouse at the Main Interior Building, 1849 C Street NW, Washington, DC. Attendees must contact the Council Designated Federal Officer by March 12, 2018.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Joshua Winchell, 703/358-2639. Email: iwcc@fws.gov (mailto:iwcc@fws.gov)

EDUCATION / ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
AgrAbility - Assistive Technology Program for Farmers with Disabilities
FON:
USDA-NIFA-SLBCD-006537

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to increase the likelihood that farmers, farm workers and farm family members with disabilities will experience success in agricultural production.

ACTION:
Applications are due April 30, 2018. Approximately $4.1 million is available. 1862 and 1890 Land Grant Colleges and Universities are eligible.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Aida Balsano, 202/720 – 4436. Email: abalsano@nifa.usda.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Charter Schools Program (CSP) Grants to Developers for the Replication and Expansion of High-Quality Charter Schools CFDA

FON:
ED-GRANTS-030218-002

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications for charter school developers to open new charter schools, replicate, and/or expand high-quality charter schools that serve early childhood, elementary school, or secondary school students.

ACTION:
A pre-application webinar will be held on March 8, 2018 starting 1:00 p.m. ET. Applicants must pre-register by emailing their name, organization, and contact information with the subject heading "DEVELOPER GRANTS PRE-APPLICATION MEETING" to CharterSchools@ed.gov.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Pre-application webinar: Eddie Moat, 202/401-2266. Email: eddie.moat@ed.gov
Application: Julius Cotton, 202/245-6288. Email: eddie.moat@ed.gov
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Crop Protection and Pest Management Competitive Grants Program

FON:
USDA-NIFA-CPPM-006536

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to address critical state, regional and national integrated pest management (IPM) needs to ensure food security and respond effectively to other major societal pest management challenges.

ACTION:
Applications are due May 8, 2018. Approximately $4.0 million for ARDP and $4.1 million for RCP is available.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Herbert Bolton, 202/401-4201. Email: hbolton@nifa.usda.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) Grant Program

FON:
P18AS00071

AGENCY:
Department of the Interior (Interior)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to document, preserve, and stabilize structures on HBCU campuses. The HBCU grant program exists to repair historic structures on campuses of Historically Black Colleges and Universities that are listed in the National Register of Historic Places either individually or as contributing to a National Register historic district.

ACTION:
Applications are due May 1, 2018. Approximately $5.6 million is available for 12 to 15 awards to support projects lasting up to two to three years.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Email: preservation_grants_info@nps.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Native American Library Services Enhancement Grant Program
FON: NAG-ENHANCEMENT-FY18

AGENCY: Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS)

ITEM: Notice seeking applications to carry out activities that advance the programs and services of eligible Native American libraries.

ACTION: Applications are due May 1, 2018. Approximately $150,000 is available to support projects lasting up to two years. Eligibility is limited to Indian tribes, but universities may participate in partnership.

Limited Submission: One application per institution


CONTACT: Sandra Toro, 202/653-4662. Email: storo@imls.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY: NIJ FY18 Comprehensive School Safety Initiative

FON: NIJ-2018-14140

AGENCY: Department of Justice (Justice)

ITEM: Notice seeking applications for research partnerships to produce practical knowledge that can improve the safety of students and schools. There are five funding categories under the current RFP to be undertaken by partnerships of researchers, educators, and other stakeholders; including law enforcement, behavioral and mental health professionals, courts, and other justice system professionals.

ACTION: Applications are due May 7, 2018. Multiple awards are anticipated in each category. Total funding available in each category is as follows: $5 million for Developing Novel and Innovative School Safety Programs, Practices, and Strategies; $11 million for Demonstration, Evaluation, and Validation Tests for School Safety; $13 million for Expanding the Use of Effective Interventions Through Scaling-Up; $7 million for Research on School Safety; and $3 million for Translation and Dissemination of Comprehensive School Safety Initiative Findings.


CONTACT: NCJRS Response Center, 800/851-3420. Email: grants@ncjrs.gov
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
NIJ FY18 Research and Evaluation on Hate Crimes

FON:
NIJ-2018-13961

AGENCY:
Department of Justice (Justice)

ITEM:
Notice seeking proposals for research and evaluation to: 1) understand the motivations and pathways to hate crime offending; 2) determine whether programs targeted at hate crime offenders are effective at reducing reoffending; 3) determine whether programs that work with victims of hate crimes and their communities are effective at reducing the harms caused by hate crimes; and 4) provide information that will improve investigative and prosecutorial outcomes.

ACTION:
Applications are due May 3, 2018. Up to two awards are available with a total ceiling of $1.5 million.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
NCJRS Response Center, 800/851-3420. Email: grants@ncjrs.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
NIJ FY18 W.E.B. Du Bois Program of Research on Crime

FON:
NIJ-2018-14220

AGENCY:
Department of Justice (Justice)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to support quantitative and qualitative research that furthers the Department’s mission by advancing knowledge regarding the intersections of race, crime, violence, and the administration of justice within the United States.

ACTION:
Applications are due April 30, 2018. Up to $2 million is available to support multiple awards for two categories.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
National Criminal Justice Reference Service Response Center, 1-800/851-3420. Email: grants@ncjrs.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Supplemental and Alternative Crops Competitive Grants Program
FON:
USDA-NIFA-OP-006533

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting efforts to significantly increase canola for oil production in the U.S. Funds support research for breeding and testing to develop superior performing canola varieties to expand production across the U.S.; conducting fundamental and applied research; innovating and enhancing planting, cultivating, and harvesting methods for use in production systems that include canola to improve input cost efficiencies and increase total factor productivity; and rapidly transferring new knowledge and technologies to producers and other users through effective extension outreach and other engagement efforts. Cost sharing of at least 50 percent is required.

ACTION:
Applications are due by April 18, 2018. Approximately $767,000 is available to support multiple awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Ann Marie Thro, 202/401-6702. Email: athro@nifa.usda.gov

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MEETING:
Advisory Committee on International Economic Policy; Notice of Open Meeting

AGENCY:
Department of State (State)

ITEM:
Notice announcing a meeting to provide advice concerning topics in international economic policy.

ACTION:
The meeting will be held on March 28, 2018 from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. ET at the State Department, 320 21st St NW. Provide your full name and professional affiliation to the contact listed by March 14.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Alan Krill, 202/647-2231. Email: KrillA@state.gov

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MEETING:
Air University Board of Visitors Meeting

AGENCY:
Department of Defense (Defense)
ITEM:
Notice announcing a meeting of the Air University Board of Visitors. The purpose of the meeting is to provide independent advice and recommendations on matters pertaining to the educational, doctrinal, and research policies and activities of Air University. The agenda will include topics relating to the policies, programs, and initiatives of Air University educational programs and will include an out brief from the Air Force Institute of Technology and Community College of the Air Force Subcommittees.

ACTION:
The meeting will be held Monday, 16 April 2018, from 8:00 am to approximately 5 pm and Tuesday, 17 April 2018, from 7:30 am to approximately 3:00 pm in the Air University Commander's Conference Room located in Building 800 at Maxwell Air force Base, AL. CT.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Shawn O'Mailia, 334/953-4547.

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MEETING:
Commission Agenda and Priorities; Notice of Hearing

AGENCY:
(CPSC)

ITEM:
Notice announcing a public hearing to receive views from all interested parties about the Commission's agenda and priorities for fiscal year 2019. Questions include: What are the priorities the Commission should consider emphasizing and dedicating resources toward in the fiscal year 2019 Operating Plan and/or the fiscal year 2020 Congressional Budget Request? What activities should the Commission consider deemphasizing in the fiscal year 2019 Operating Plan and/or the fiscal year 2020 Congressional Budget Request? What retrospective review of rules should the Commission consider in the fiscal year 2019 Operating Plan and/or the fiscal year 2020 Congressional Budget Request?

ACTION:
The hearing will begin at 10 a.m. on April 11, 2018, in the Hearing Room, 4th Floor of the Bethesda Towers Building, 4330 East-West Highway, Bethesda, MD.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Alberta Mills, 301/504-7923. Email: cpsc-os@cpsc.gov

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MEETING:
Drugged Driving Call to Action Meeting
AGENCY:
Department of Transportation (DOT), National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA)

ITEM:
Notice announcing a public meeting to facilitate a national dialogue on best practices, lessons learned, and to develop a call-to-action with short-, mid-, and long-term plans to address drug-impaired driving in the U.S. The meeting will bring together key stakeholders—including safety partners; state and local officials; data and policy experts; law enforcement and criminal justice professionals; toxicologists; drug recognition experts; and others—to set a course of action and taking measurable steps to address drug-impaired driving.

ACTION:
The meeting will be held on March 15, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. ET in the Atrium of the West Building of the U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Caroline Cash, 202/366-9712. Email: caroline.cash@dot.gov

MEETING:
Meeting of the Mutual Savings Association Advisory Committee

AGENCY:
Department of the Treasury (Treasury), Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC)

ITEM:
Notice announcing a meeting of the Federal Advisory Committee to advise the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC) on regulatory or other changes the OCC may make to ensure the health and viability of mutual savings associations.

ACTION:
The meeting will be held on March 21, 2018 starting at 8:30 a.m. ET at the MSAAC at the OCC's offices at 400 7th Street SW, Washington, DC.

LINKS:

CONTACT:

MEETING:
Public Meeting Regarding NHTSA's Research Portfolio

AGENCY:
Department of Transportation (DOT), National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA)
ITEM:
Notice announcing a public meeting where the agency's Vehicle Safety Research and Behavioral Safety Research offices will present information on activities related to priority research programs in vehicle and behavioral safety, including a focused overview session on Automated Driving Systems.

ACTION:
The meeting will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. ET at 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Lisa Floyd, 202/366-4697. Email: Lisa.Floyd@dot.gov

MEETING:
Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation Advisory Board-Notice of Public Meetings

AGENCY:
Department of Transportation (DOT), Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation

ITEM:
Notice announcing a meeting of the Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation Advisory Board to discuss new and existing business.

ACTION:
The meeting will be held on March 19, 2018 from 2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. ET at the SLSDC's Policy Headquarters, 55 M Street SE, Suite 930, Washington, DC.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Wayne Williams, 202/366-0091.

NOTICE:
Applications for New Awards; Lead of a Career and Technical Education Network: Research Networks Focused on Critical Problems of Education Policy and Practice Program

AGENCY:
Department of Education (Education), Institute of Education Sciences (IES)

ITEM:
Notice announcing a correction to the grantee's authority to award subgrants to institutions of higher education, public and private non-profit organizations, and agencies identified in an approved application. Under 34 CFR 75.708(b) and a grantee may award subgrants to directly carry out project activities described in its application to the following types of entities: institutions of higher education, public and private non-profit organizations, and agencies. The grantee may award subgrants to entities identified in an approved application.
ACTION:
You may also access documents of the Department published in the Federal Register by using the article search feature at: www.federalregister.gov (http://www.federalregister.gov/)

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Corinne Alfeld, Email: Corinne.Alfeld@ed.gov (mailto:Corinne.Alfeld@ed.gov)

NOTICE:
National Environmental Justice Advisory Council; Notification of Request for Nominations to the National Environmental Justice Advisory Council

AGENCY:
Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

ITEM:
Notice seeking nominations from a diverse range of qualified candidates to be considered for appointment to its National Environmental Justice Advisory Council (NEJAC). The purpose is to provide independent consensus advice to the EPA Administrator about a broad range of environmental issues related to environmental justice.

ACTION:
Nominations are due no later than Friday, April 13, 2018.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Karen L. Martin, 202/564-0203. Email: martin.karenl@epa.gov (mailto:martin.karenl@epa.gov)

HEALTH
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
2018 Empowering Older Adults and Adults with Disabilities through Chronic Disease Self-Management Education Programs Financed by the Prevention and Public Health Fund

FON:
HHS-2018-ACL-AOA-CSSG-0256

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to develop capacity for, deliver, and sustain evidence-based self-management education programs that empower older adults and adults with disabilities to better manage their chronic conditions.

ACTION:
Applications are due April 30, 2018. Informational conference call is on March 19, 2018. Approximately $6.275 million is available for 10 awards to support projects lasting up to three years.
Limited Submission:
One application per institution

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Kristie Kulinski, Email: kristie.kulinski@acl.hhs.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
2018 Evidence-Based Falls Prevention Program financed by Prevention and Public Health Fund

FON:
HHS-2018-ACL-AOA-FPSG-0255

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to develop capacity for, deliver, and sustain evidence-based falls prevention programs.

ACTION:
Applications are due April 30, 2018. Informational conference call is on March 19, 2018. Approximately $4.01 million is available for 10 awards to support projects lasting up to three years.

Limited Submission:
One application per institution

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Casey DiCocco, email: casey.dicocco@acl.hhs.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
BRAIN Initiative: New Concepts and Early - Stage Research for Large - Scale Recording and Modulation in the Nervous System (R21 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

FON:
RFA-EY-18-001

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to develop unique and innovative technologies, that are in an even earlier stage of development than that sought in other funding announcements, to develop methods to
better understand how electrical and chemical signals code information in neural circuits and give rise to sensations, thoughts, emotions and actions.

ACTION:
Applications are due May 1 and October 29, 2018; May 1 and October 29, 2019; and May 1 and October 29, 2020 through October 30, 2020.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Martha Flanders, 301/451-2020. Email: BRAIN-FOAs@nih.gov (mailto:BRAIN-FOAs@nih.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Center without Walls for PET Ligand Development for Alzheimer's disease related dementias (ADRDs) (U19 Clinical Trial Optional)

FON:
RFA-NS-18-025

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to supports the development of PET radioligands that identify proteinopathies or pathological processes associated with the human biology of Alzheimer’s disease related dementias (ADRDs). Activities include, but are not limited to, in vitro screening of existing ligands against human ADRD brain tissue, initial screening of ligands in appropriated animal models, and radioligand formulation and first-in-human testing.

ACTION:
Applications are due May 8, 2018. Approximately $10 million is available for up to two awards to support projects lasting up to 10 years. An Applicant webinar will be held on March 19, 2018 at 1:00p.m. ET. Click here to join: https://nih.webex.com/join/sutherlandmnih.gov (https://nih.webex.com/join/sutherlandmnih.gov) or join by phone: Call 650/479-3208 and enter conference code: 622 274563.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Margaret Sutherland, 301/496-5680.
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FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Clinical, Behavioral and Physiological Research Testing Current and Novel Closed Loop Systems (R01-Clinical Trial Required)

FON:
RFA-DK-17-023
AGENCY:
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting clinical trials to test a highly reliable, wearable/implantable, portable, and easy to operate system linking continuous glucose monitoring and pancreatic hormone delivery in a closed loop system, as well as the behavioral and physiological aspects of relevance to the use and adoption of these systems. Funds support efforts to improve glucose control and quality of life of patients with type 1 diabetes. Only human studies will be considered responsive, applications involving animal or in vitro studies are not responsive.

ACTION:
Optional letters of intent are due by March 26, 2018 and November 6, 2018. Applications are due by April 26, 2018 and December 6, 2018. Approximately $1.25 million per year is available to support one to two awards per year.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Guillermo Arreaza-Rubin, 301/594-4724.
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FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Collaborative Improvement and Innovation Network on School-Based Health Services

FON:
HRSA-18-096

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting efforts to improve children’s and adolescents’ access to high quality, comprehensive health care through the expanded use of evidence-based models of school-based health (SBH) services that improve the quality, sustainability, and growth of SBH centers and comprehensive school mental health systems. Funds support efforts to improve the quality of these services and to enhance the sustainability and growth of these models of SBH services across the nation and in urban, suburban, and rural settings.

ACTION:
Applications are due by April 18, 2018. Approximately $850,000 is available to support one award.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Aitebureme Aigbe, 301/945-3076. Email: AAigbe@hrsa.gov
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Development and Integration of Novel Components for Open and Closed Loop Hormone Replacement Platforms for T1D Therapy (R01- Clinical Trial Optional)

FON:
RFA-DK-17-025

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting original research addressing barriers that limit progress toward effective open- and closed-loop glucose control systems that tackles important obstacles at the level of sensing, hormone formulation and delivery, self-management decision support systems, and/or design of automated controllers/algorithms able to manage an integrated platform. Funds support development of affordable and user friendly technologies to improve glucose control in patients with type 1 diabetes.

ACTION:
Optional letters of intent are due by April 10, 2018. Applications are due by May 10, 2018. Approximately $2.5 million is available to support four to six awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
John Connaughton, 301-594-7797. Email: NIDDKLetterofIntent@mail.nih.gov (mailto:NIDDKLetterofIntent@mail.nih.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Development of New Technologies and Bioengineering Solutions for the Advancement of Cell Replacement Therapies for Type 1 Diabetes (T1D) (R01 Clinical Trial Optional)

FON:
RFA-DK-18-004

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting original research addressing barriers that limit progress toward effective cell replacement therapies for type 1 diabetes (T1D) in order to support research leading to the development and testing of novel and supportive technologies for the improvement of cell replacement interventions using novel biomaterials and devices for T1D treatment.

ACTION:
Optional letters of intent are due by April 10, 2018. Applications are due by May 10, 2018. Approximately $2.5 million is available to support three to six awards.

LINKS:
CONTACT:
John Connaughton, 301/594-7797. Email: NIDDKLetterofIntent@mail.nih.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Disability and Rehabilitation Research Projects (DRRP) Program: Community Living and Participation (Development)

FON:
HHS-2018-ACL-NIDILRR-DPCP-0272

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 field initiated development projects aimed at improving community living and participation outcomes of individuals with disabilities. Funds support projects that use knowledge and understanding gained from research to create models, methods, tools, applications, and devices beneficial to the target population, including design and development of prototypes and processes.

ACTION:
Optional letters of intent are due by March 22, 2018. Applications are due by April 16, 2018. Approximately $475,000 is available to support one award.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Theresa SanAgustin, 202/795-7431. Email: theresa.sanagustin@acl.hhs.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Disability and Rehabilitation Research Projects (DRRP) Program: Community Living and Participation (Research)

FON:
HHS-2018-ACL-NIDILRR-DPCP-0271

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 field-initiated research projects aimed at improving the community living and participation outcomes of individuals with disabilities. Projects must identify one or more hypotheses or research questions and, based on the hypotheses or research questions identified, perform an intensive, systematic study directed toward producing new or full scientific knowledge or understanding of the subject or problem studied.
ACTION:
Applications are due April 16, 2018. Approximately $475,000 is available to support one award.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Theresa SanAgustin, 202/795-7431 Email: theresa.sanagustin@acl.hhs.gov (mailto:theresa.sanagustin@acl.hhs.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Disability and Rehabilitation Research Projects (DRRP) Program: Employment of Individuals with Disabilities (Development)

FON:
HHS-2018-ACL-NIDILRR-DPEM-0273

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 field-initiated development projects aimed at improving the employment outcomes of individuals with disabilities. Funds support projects that use knowledge and understanding gained from research to create models, methods, tools, applications, and devices beneficial to the target populations, including design and development of prototypes and processes.

ACTION:
Optional letters of intent are due by March 29, 2018. Applications are due by April 23, 2018. Approximately $475,000 per award is available to support one award.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Timothy Beatty, 202/795-7306 Email: timothy.beatty@acl.hhs.gov (mailto:timothy.beatty@acl.hhs.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Disability and Rehabilitation Research Projects (DRRP) Program: Employment of Individuals with Disabilities (Research)

FON:
HHS-2018-ACL-NIDILRR-DPEM-0274

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 field-initiated research projects aimed at improving the employment outcomes of individuals with disabilities. Grantees must identify one or more hypotheses
or research questions and, based on the hypotheses or research questions identified, perform an intensive, systematic study directed toward producing new or full scientific knowledge or understanding of the subject or problem studied.

ACTION:
Optional letters of intent are due by March 29, 2018. Applications are due by April 23, 2018. Approximately $475,000 is available to support one award.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Timothy Beatty, 202/795-7306. Email: timothy.beatty@acl.hhs.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Discovery of Early Type 1 Diabetes Disease Biomarkers in the Human Pancreas [HIRN Consortium on Beta Cell Death and Survival (CBDS)] (U01 - Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

FON:
RFA-DK-17-021

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting efforts to explore human pancreatic tissues for the discovery of early biomarkers of T1D pathogenesis, the description of specific signaling or processing pathways that may contribute to the asymptomatic phase of T1D, the development of clinical diagnostic tools for the detection and staging of early T1D in at-risk or recently-diagnosed individuals, and/or the identification of therapeutic targets for the development of preventative or early treatment strategies. Funds support studies with a primary focus on increasing our understanding of human disease biology (as opposed to rodent or other animal models); not applications proposing a clinical trial.

ACTION:
Optional letters of intent are due by April 10, 2018. Applications are due by May 10, 2018. Approximately $3.5 million is available to support four to six awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
John Connaughton, 301-594-7797. Email: NIDDKLetterofIntent@mail.nih.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Elucidating the Effect of Glycemic Excursions on Patient Well-being and Cognitive Status in People with Type 1 Diabetes (T1D) (R01 Clinical Trial Optional)
FON:
RFA-DK-18-003

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting research on the use of current and emerging technologies for monitoring of blood glucose levels to capture the relationship between blood glucose excursions, perception of wellbeing, and cognitive status in people with type 1 diabetes in order to inform the design of more effective interventions that may improve patient reported outcomes, including quality of life measures, and validate glycemic measures that may serve as outcomes in clinical trials to improve glucose management.

ACTION:
Optional letters of intent are due by June 10, 2018. Applications are due by July 10, 2018. Approximately $1.9 million is available to fund up to two awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
John Connaughton, 301/594-7797. Email: NIDDKLetterofIntent@mail.nih.gov (mailto:NIDDKLetterofIntent@mail.nih.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Exploiting Omics Assays to Investigate Molecular Regulation of Persistent HIV in Individuals with Substance Use Disorder (R61/R33 Clinical Trial Optional)

FON:
RFA-DA-19-003

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting projects that exploit Omics assays to address outstanding questions regarding molecular regulation of persistent HIV (e.g. latency or reservoirs) in the context of chronic substance use or substance use disorder (SUD). Funds support research that will provide foundational knowledge for the development of future therapeutics to treat HIV in individuals with and without SUD.

ACTION:
Optional letters of intent are due 30 days before the chosen due date. Applications are due annually on July 17 through 2020. Approximately $2 million is available to support two to three awards per year.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
John Satterlee, 301/435-1020. Email: satterleej@nida.nih.gov (mailto:satterleej@nida.nih.gov)
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Fundamental Mechanisms of Affective and Decisional Processes in Cancer Control (R01 Clinical Trial Optional)

FON: PAR-18-681

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking collaborative applications among cancer control researchers and those from scientific disciplines not traditionally connected to cancer control applications to elucidate perplexing and understudied problems in affective and decision sciences with downstream implications for cancer prevention and control. Basic affective science projects should have key consequences for single and multiple event decisions and behaviors across the cancer prevention and control continuum.

ACTION:
Optional letters of intent are due 30 days before the application. Applications are due April 11 2018, October 10 2018, April 11 2019, and October 11 2019. Multiple awards are anticipated.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Rebecca Ferrer, 240/276-5075. Email: ferrerra@mail.nih.gov (mailto:ferrerra@mail.nih.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Grants for Adaptive Sports Programs for Disabled Veterans and Disabled Members of the Armed Forces

FON: VA-ASG-2019-01

AGENCY:
Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to plan, develop, manage, and implement programs to provide adaptive sports activities for disabled Veterans and disabled members of the Armed Forces.

ACTION:
Applications are due May 2, 2018. Approximately $8 million is available for multiple awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Michael Welch, 202/632-7136. Michael.Welch5@va.gov (mailto:Michael.Welch5@va.gov)
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
High-Resolution Exploration of the Human Islet Tissue Environment [HIRN Human Pancreas Analysis Consortium (HPAC)] (U01 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

FON:
RFA-DK-17-022

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting applications that will integrate with the Human Pancreas Analysis Program to contribute to a higher resolution understanding of the physical and functional organization of the human islet tissue environment by describing the composition and function of important components of the pancreatic islet and peri-islet tissue architecture, the cell-cell relationships and means of communications used by cell types and cell subtypes within the pancreatic tissue ecosystem, and/or the contribution of adjacent and neighboring tissues to islet cell function and dysfunction. Funds only support studies with a primary focus on increasing our understanding of human tissue structure and function, and human disease biology.

ACTION:
Optional letters of intent are due April 10, 2018. Applications are due May 10, 2018. Approximately $4 million is available to support four to six awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
John Connaughton, 301/594-7797. Email: NIDDKLetterofIntent@mail.nih.gov (mailto:NIDDKLetterofIntent@mail.nih.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Identify, Analyze, and Evaluate Potential Risk Factors for Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS)

FON:
RFA-TS-18-001

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications for investigator-initiated research that will further the understanding of potential risk factors for ALS, while supporting the National ALS Registry's mission. The National ALS Registry's goals are to estimate the number of new ALS cases each year, estimate the number of people who have ALS at a specific point in time, better understand who gets ALS, and identify what contributing factors, including environmental, may affect ALS.

ACTION:
Optional letters of intent are due April 2, 2018. Applications are due April 30, 2018. Approximately four awards are anticipated with a ceiling of $400,000 per year per award.
Limited Submission:
Only one application per principle investigator will be funded under this announcement.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
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(mailto:marcienne.wright@cdc.hhs.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Impact of the Use of Glucose Monitoring and Control Technologies on Health Outcomes and Quality of Life in Older Adults with Type 1 Diabetes (T1D) (R01 Clinical Trial Required)

FON:
RFA-DK-17-024

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting clinical studies of the use of current and emerging technologies for monitoring of blood glucose and insulin administration in older adults aged 65 years or older. Funds support efforts to improve health, glucose control and quality of life of older patients with type 1 diabetes. Only human studies will be considered responsive; applications involving animal or invitro studies are not responsive.

ACTION:
Optional letters of intent are due by March 26, 2018 and November 6, 2018. Applications are due by April 26, 2018 and December 6, 2018. Approximately $1.25 million per year is available to support one to two awards per year.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
John Connaughton, 301/594-7797. Email: NIDDKLetterofIntent@mail.nih.gov
(mailto:NIDDKLetterofIntent@mail.nih.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Interdisciplinary Research Teams to Investigate Reciprocal Basic Behavioral and Social Linkages Between Sleep and Stress (R24 Clinical Trial Optional)

FON:
PAR-18-694

AGENCY:
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Office of Behavioral and Social Sciences Research
ITEM: Notice seeking applications to develop, strengthen, and evaluate transdisciplinary approaches, methods, and investigative teams in basic behavioral, social, and/or biobehavioral research to generate fundamental knowledge of the reciprocal linkages between sleep and stress.

ACTION: Optional letters of intent are due September 29, 2018. Applications are due October 29, 2018. The budget and number of awards are contingent upon NIH appropriations to support projects lasting up to two years.


CONTACT: Contacts vary by institute.

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FUNDING OPPORTUNITY: Measure Development for the Quality Payment Program

FON: CMS-1V1-18-002

AGENCY: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

ITEM: Notice seeking applications to develop, improve, update, or expand quality measures (i.e., clinician engagement, consumer-informed decisions, or a collection that minimizes health care provider burden, etc.) for use in the Quality Payment Program.

ACTION: Applications are due May 2, 2018. Approximately $30 million is available for up to 20 awards to support projects lasting up to three years.


CONTACT: Technical Assistance, Email: MACRA-measure-funding@cms.hhs.gov (mailto:MACRA-measure-funding@cms.hhs.gov)

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FUNDING OPPORTUNITY: Methods Development in Natural Products Chemistry (R41/R42 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

FON: PA-18-682

AGENCY: National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Center for Complementary and Integrative Health (NCCIH)
ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to address highly innovative methods and technologies that significantly advance the field of natural products.

ACTION:
Applications are due annually on September 5, January 5, and April 5. The number of awards is contingent upon NIH appropriations and the submission of a sufficient number of meritorious applications. Colleges and universities are eligible to partner.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
D. Craig Hopp, 301/496-5825. Email: hoppdc@mail.nih.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
NHLBI Early Phase Clinical Trials for Therapeutics and/or Diagnostics (R61/R33 Clinical Trial Required/R33 Clinical Trial Required)

FON:
PAR-18-683; PAR-18-684

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications for investigator-initiated, phase I clinical trials for diagnostic and therapeutic interventions for heart, lung, blood, and sleep disorders in adults and children. Both R61/R33, which supports therapeutic/diagnostic research in preparation for the clinical trial, and R33 mechanisms, which only supports the clinical trial, are available.

ACTION:
Optional letters of intent are due 30 days prior to the application. Applications are due annually on June 4 and October 2 until October 2, 2020. Early applications are encouraged. Multiple awards are anticipated. R61 awards are limited to $250,000 per year. R33 awards are limited to $1.515 million per year.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Director, Office of Scientific Review, National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, 301/435-0270. Email: NHLBIChiefReviewBranch@nhlbi.nih.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
NINDS Postdoctoral Mentored Career Development Award (K01 No Independent Clinical Trial Allowed and Clinical Trial Required)

FON:
PAR-18-686; PAR-18-685
AGENCY:  
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

ITEM:  
Notice seeking applications to develop a potentially impactful research project with a comprehensive career development plan that will enable them to launch an independent research program that does (PAR-18-685) and does not (PAR-18-686) involve a clinical trial.

ACTION:  
Applications are due April 30, 2018. The number of awards is contingent upon NIH appropriations to support projects lasting up to four years.

LINKS:  

CONTACT:  
Stephen Korn, 301/496-4188. Email: korns@mail.nih.gov (mailto:korns@mail.nih.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:  
Pension Counseling & Information Projects

FON:  
HHS-2018-ACL-AOA-PCRP-0266

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

ITEM:  
Notice seeking applications supporting efforts to provide individuals who reside in, have worked in, or have some other pension or employer connection to the regional service area with the following services: drafting administrative pension claims and appeals, and providing representation and support through administrative proceedings; identifying and pursuing pension benefits from clients' prior employers; answering basic questions about rights and remedies under all public and private pension systems throughout the service region; operating a region-wide outreach program to ensure public and provider awareness of the Program's broad focus of assisting individuals with pension and retirement savings problems, regardless of age or income; and targeting certain outreach efforts to those in greatest need. A 25 percent cost share is required.

ACTION:  
Applications are due April 16, 2018. Approximately $1.2 million is available to support up to six awards.

LINKS:  

CONTACT:  
Stephanie Whittier-Eliason, 202/795-7467. Email: stephanie.whittier.elisaon@acl.hhs.gov (mailto:stephanie.whittier.elisaon@acl.hhs.gov)
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Research on the Health of Women of Understudied, Underrepresented and Underreported (U3) Populations An ORWH FY18 Administrative Supplement (Admin Supp - Clinical Trial Optional)

FON:
PA-18-676

AGENCY:
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Office of Research on Women's Health (ORWH)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting existing NIH grantees with administrative supplements to support interdisciplinary, transdisciplinary and multidisciplinary research focused on the effect of sex/gender influences at the intersection of a number of social determinants, including but not limited to: race/ethnicity, socioeconomic status, education, health literacy and other social determinants in human health and illness. Projects must include a focus on one or more NIH-designated health disparities populations, which include Blacks/African Americans, Hispanics/Latinos, American Indians/Alaska Natives, Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians and other Pacific Islanders, socioeconomically disadvantaged populations, underserved rural populations, and sexual and gender minorities. Combinations of one or more populations is also encouraged, e.g. socioeconomically disadvantaged sexual and gender minorities.

ACTION:
Applications are due by April 16, 2018. Approximately $2 million is available to support up to 10 awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Victoria Cargill, 301/435-0971. Email: cargillv@od.nih.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Award (NRSA) Individual Predoctoral Fellowship to Promote Diversity in Health-Related Research (Parent F31)

FON:
PA-18-666

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting efforts to enhance the diversity of the health-related research workforce by supporting the research training of predoctoral students from population groups that have been shown to be underrepresented in the biomedical, behavioral, or clinical research workforce, including underrepresented racial and ethnic groups and those with disabilities. Funds support individualized, mentored research training from outstanding faculty sponsors while
conducting well-defined research projects in scientific health-related fields relevant to the missions of the participating NIH Institutes and Centers. The proposed mentored research training is expected to clearly enhance the individual's potential to develop into a productive, independent research scientist.

**ACTION:**
Applications are due annually on April 8, August 8, and December 8 until January 8, 2021. Multiple awards are anticipated.

**LINKS:**

**CONTACT:**
Varies by parent institute.

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**FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:**
Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) Projects

**FON:**
HHS-2018-ACL-CIP-MPPG-0260

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

**ITEM:**
Notice seeking applications supporting efforts to provide local outreach, education, and assistance to Medicare beneficiaries through a trained volunteer workforce. Funds support efforts to teach Medicare beneficiaries to protect their Medicare numbers, to detect billing discrepancies on their quarterly Medicare Summary Notice statements, and to report suspicious activity for further investigation. Projects also actively disseminate fraud prevention and identification information through the media, outreach campaigns, and community events.

**ACTION:**
Optional letters of intent are due February 26, 2018. Applications are due April 16, 2018. Approximately $15.6 million is available to support 54 awards.

**LINKS:**

**CONTACT:**
Stacey Platte 202/795-7420. Email: Stacey.Platte@acl.hhs.gov (mailto:Stacey.Platte@acl.hhs.gov)

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**FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:**
Short-term Mentored Career Enhancement Awards for Mid-Career Investigators to Integrate Basic Behavioral and Social Sciences (K18 Clinical Trial Required

**FON:**
PAR-18-692

**AGENCY:**
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)
ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to improve synergies among researchers in basic and applied behavioral-socia sciences, human subjects and model animals settings; and biomedical and behavioral-social sciences.

ACTION:
Applications are due May 1, 2018 and April 13, 2019. Approximately $80,000 is available to support the annual salary of the career award recipient and an additional $20,000 is available to support research develop costs. The budget and number of awards are contingent upon NIH appropriations to support projects lasting up to one year.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Contacts by institutes.

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
The Characterization and Discovery of Novel Autoantigens and Epitopes in Type 1 Diabetes (R01 Clinical Trial Optional)

FON:
RFA-DK-17-031

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting research aimed at the characterization and discovery of neoantigens and neoepitopes in type 1 diabetes, including the characterization of the humoral and cell mediated autoimmune responses elicited by these neoepitopes and neoantigens and their role in the etiology and pathophysiology of type 1 diabetes. Studies should be integrated with the present knowledge of established epitopes and antigens (e.g. autoantibodies for insulin, GAD65, IA-2, and ZnT8).

ACTION:
Optional letters of intent are due by March 26, 2018 and November 6, 2018. Applications are due by April 26, 2018 and December 6, 2018. Approximately $1.25 million per year is available to support one to two awards per year.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
John Connaughton, 301/594-7797. Email: NIDDKLetterofIntent@mail.nih.gov (mailto:NIDDKLetterofIntent@mail.nih.gov)

MEETING:
Advisory Commission on Childhood Vaccines
AGENCY:
Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

ITEM:
Notice announcing a meeting of the Advisory Commission on Childhood Vaccines. The purpose is to advise the Secretary of HHS (the Secretary) on issues related to implementation of the National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program (VICP).

ACTION:
The meeting will be held on March 8, 2018, at 10:00 am ET. This meeting will be held via Adobe Connect meeting and conference call. This is not an in-person meeting.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Annie Herzog, 301/443-6593. Email: aherzog@hrsa.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 Drug Testing Advisory Board to provide updates on the Mandatory Guidelines for Federal Workplace Drug Testing Program, to hear early observations on synthetic opioid testing implementation, to review research data on a marijuana vaping study, and to get an update on the Medical Review Officer Guidance Manual. Online viewing options are available.

ACTION:
The open portion of the meeting will be held on March 20 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. ET at the Parklawn Building, Room 5A03, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Sean Belouin, 240/276-2600. Email: sean.belouin@samhsa.hhs.gov

MEETING:
Clinical Chemistry and Clinical Toxicology Devices Panel of the Medical Devices Advisory Committee; Notice of Meeting
AGENCY:
Food and Drug Administration (FDA), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

ITEM:
Notice announcing an advisory committee meeting of the Clinical Chemistry and Clinical Toxicology Devices Panel of the Medical Devices Advisory Committee to discuss and make recommendations regarding measuring blood glucose using capillary blood with blood glucose meters in all hospital patients, including those receiving intensive medical intervention/therapy and patients with decreased peripheral blood flow, such as with severe hypotension, shock, hyperosmolar-hyperglycemia and severe dehydration.

ACTION:
The meeting will be held on March 29 and 30, 2018, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Hilton Washington DC North/Gaithersburg; Salons A, B, C, and D; 620 Perry Pkwy., Gaithersburg, MD

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Patricio Garcia, 301/796-6875. Email: patricio.garcia@fda.hhs.gov (mailto:patricio.garcia@fda.hhs.gov)

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MEETING:
Medicare, Medicaid, and Other Programs, Initiatives, and Priorities; Meeting of the Advisory Panel on Outreach and Education (APOE), March 21, 2018

AGENCY:
Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

ITEM:
Notice announcing a meeting of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) to discuss CMS programs, initiatives, and priorities.

ACTION:
The meeting will be held on March 21, 2018 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. ET at the Hubert H. Humphrey Building, 200 Independence Avenue SW, Room 505A, Conference Room, Washington, DC. Attendees must register by March 7, 2018, 5:00 p.m. ET: https://www.regonline.com/apoemar2018meeting

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Lynee Johnson, 410/786-0090. Email: Lynne.Johnson@cms.hhs.gov (mailto:Lynne.Johnson@cms.hhs.gov)

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MEETING:
Meeting of the National Advisory Council for Healthcare Research and Quality

AGENCY:
Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)
ITEM:
Notice announcing a meeting of the National Advisory Council for Healthcare Research and Quality including updates by the director and on the Healthcare Cost and Utilization Project, including a discussion of new county level statistics on hospital stays for alcohol, opioids, and other drugs.

ACTION:
The meeting will be held virtually on March 16, 2018 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. ET.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Jaime Zimmerman, 301/427-1456.

MEETING:
National Cancer Institute; Notice of Meeting

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

ITEM:
Notice announcing a meeting of the National Cancer Institute Board of Scientific Advisors. Agenda items include the director's report on ongoing and new business, concept reviews of requests for proposals and applications, and scientific presentations. Webcast options are available.

ACTION:
The meeting will be held on March 20, 2018 from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. ET at 9609 Medical Center Drive, Room TE406, Rockville, MD.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Paulette Gray, 240/276-6340. Email: grayp@mail.nih.gov (mailto:grayp@mail.nih.gov)

MEETING:
Tissue Agnostic Therapies in Oncology: Regulatory Considerations for Orphan Drug Designation; Public Workshop; Request for Comments

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

ITEM:
Notice announcing a public workshop to discuss factors the Food and Drug Administration should consider when evaluating drugs for orphan designation that treat a tissue agnostic disease or condition in oncology, and additional factors related to orphan exclusivity FDA should consider when approving a product with a tissue agnostic indication.

ACTION:
The workshop will be held on May 9, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. ET at 10903 New Hampshire Ave., Building 31 Conference Center, Room 1503, Section A, Silver Spring, MD.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Nicole Wolanski, 301/796-6570. Email: OOPDOrphanEvents@fda.hhs.gov

NOTICE:
Solicitation for Nominations for Members of the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF)

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking nominations of individuals qualified to serve as members of the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force. Member duties include prioritizing topics, designing research plans, reviewing and commenting on systematic evidence reviews of evidence, discussing and making recommendations on preventive services, reviewing stakeholder comments, drafting final recommendation documents, and participating in workgroups on specific topics and methods.

ACTION:
Nominations are due May 15, 2018 to Lydia Hill.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Lydia Hill, 301/427-1587. Email: USPSTFmembernominations@ahrq.hhs.gov

SCIENCE / TECHNOLOGY / ENGINEERING / MATH

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Advancing Robotic Capability & Usability for Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD)

FON:
N00014-18-S-B003

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting the development of technologies that can respond to all types of explosive threats, including chemical, biological, and nuclear, as well as improvised explosive devices in land and underwater environments. Funds support technology that can detect, locate, access, identify, render-safe and recover these explosive threats. Capability improvements sought include: dual manipulators (arms and end effectors) that can work together to plan and execute bimanual tasks that require a high level of dexterity; end effectors (hands) that can use the sense of
touch to interpret and visualize the shape and texture of an explosive threat or object when external sensors are not available; and end effectors that can sense and understand changes in the weight and temperature profiles as the explosive threat or object is being lifted or moved.

ACTION:
Required white papers are due by 3:00 p.m. ET on April 13, 2018. Approximately $2 million is available to support two to four awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Brian Almquist, Email: brian.almquist@navy.mil

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Air Force Technical Applications Center Open Broad Agency Announcement

FON:
FA7022-18-BAA-02

AGENCY:
Department of Defense (Defense), Air Force Technical Applications Center (AFTAC)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting the delivery of quality technical measurements to monitor nuclear treaty compliance and develops advanced proliferation monitoring technologies to preserve our nation's security. Topics include: Geophysics and Seismology; Air and Space; Directed Energy Weapon; Nuclear and Nuclear-related Materials Analysis; and Materials Modeling and Analysis.

ACTION:
Multiple awards are anticipated.

LINKS:
FBO (https://www.fbo.gov/?s=opportunity&mode=form&id=07fba5319a1d67f0e7dfd6e63fd3c3ff&tab=core&_cview=0)

CONTACT:
Kelly Greiner, 321/494-6361. Email: kelly.greiner@us.af.mil

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Conservation Collaborative Agreements-Georgia

FON:
USDA-NRCS-GA-CCA-01

AGENCY:
United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), Georgia State Office

ITEM:
Notice supporting Georgia-based entities to enhance the implementation of key conservation objectives, including: Water Quantity; Water Quality; Plant Health; Soil Health; Wildlife; and Energy. A 50 percent cost share is required.
ACTION:
Applications are due by 11:00 a.m. ET on April 9, 2018. Approximately $3 million is available to support multiple awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Tansel Hudson, email: tansel.hudson@ga.usda.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Critical Techniques, Technologies and Methodologies for Advancing Foundations and Applications of Big Data Sciences and Engineering (BIGDATA)

FON:
18-539

AGENCY:
Directorate for Computer & Information Science & Engineering (CISE), Directorate for Education & Human Resources (EHR), Directorate for Engineering (ENG), Directorate for Social, Behavioral & Economic Sciences (SBE), National Science Foundation (NSF)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting novel approaches in computer science, statistics, computational science, and mathematics leading towards the further development of data science. Funds also support innovative applications in domain science, including social and behavioral sciences, education, physical sciences, and engineering, where data science and the availability of big data are creating new opportunities for research and insights not previously possible. The program supports two tracks: Foundations; and Innovative Applications.

ACTION:
Applications are accepted between May 7 and May 14, 2018. Approximately $24 million is available to support 25-33 awards between the two tracks.

Limited Submission:
An individual may participate as Principal Investigator (PI), co-PI, Senior Personnel, consultant, or any other role in no more than one proposal, or related subaward, submitted in response to this solicitation.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Program staff, Email: bigdata@nsf.gov (mailto:bigdata@nsf.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Desalination and Water Purification Research Program for Fiscal Year 2018

FON:
BOR-DO-18-F002
AGENCY:
Department of the Interior (Interior)

ITEM:
Notice seeking proposals to cost share laboratory scale and pilot scale projects that address Desalination and Water Purification Program goals and objectives. Funding Group I: Laboratory scale projects are typically bench scale studies involving small flow rates. They are used to determine the viability of a novel process, new materials, or process modifications. Research at this stage often involves a high degree of risk and uncertainty. Funding Group II: Pilot scale projects test a novel process at a sufficiently large scale to determine the technical, practical, and economic viability of the process and are generally preceded by laboratory studies that demonstrate that the technology works.

ACTION:
Applications are due May 1, 2018 at 4:00 p.m. MT. Cost-sharing is highly encouraged but not required for universities. Multiple awards are anticipated in both funding groups. Funding Group I has a ceiling of $150,000 per award. Funding Group II has a ceiling of $400,000 for two years per award.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Yulianna Porras-Mendoza, 303/445-2265. Email: yporrasmendoza@usbr.gov (mailto:yporrasmendoza@usbr.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Developing Technologies to Advance the Understanding of State of Stress and Geomechanical Impacts Within the Subsurface

FON:
DE-FOA-0001826

AGENCY:
Department of Energy (Energy), National Energy Technology Laboratory (NETL)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications focuses on: 1) development of capabilities to better measure and understand the in-situ state of stress, which is a key variable in predicting geomechanical impacts, and 2) development of capabilities to predict the pressure migration and the geomechanical impacts of this pressure in the storage complex.

ACTION:
Required concept papers are due March 26, 2018. Applications are due May 7, 2018. Approximately $10.4 million is available to support up to eight awards. The cost share must be at least 20% of the total allowable costs for research and development projects.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Raelynn Honkus, Email: Raelynn.Honkus@netl.doe.gov (mailto:Raelynn.Honkus@netl.doe.gov)
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Minority University Research and Education Project (MUREP) for Sustainability and Innovation Collaborative – (MUSIC)

FON:
NNH18ZHA002N-MUSIC

AGENCY:
National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting efforts for Minority Serving Institutions (MSIs) to continuously build capacity through competitive opportunities, including contracts, grants, and contract execution best practices. Funds support proposals that create workshop and training opportunities for MSIs to refine their process for securing NASA funding resources resulting in building their institutional capacity.

ACTION:
Optional notices of intent are due by March 23, 2018. Applications are due by May 22, 2018. Approximately $900,000 is available to support two to three awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Clarence Bostic, Email: clarence.e.bostic@nasa.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Mission Effects Analysis of Multi-domain Sensing (MEAMS)

FON:
FA8650-18-S-1669

AGENCY:
Department of Defense (Defense)

ITEM:
Notice seeking proposals to develop and refine sensing exploitation models to support mission level effects analysis; perform in-depth assessment and analysis of new and innovative exploitation technologies; develop appropriate processes and tools that promote continuous characterization, valuation, and improvement of core data sets; deploy refinements of the foundation of collaboration and computational tools; and assemble a comprehensive library of high-utility benchmark sensing exploitation algorithms and software.

ACTION:
Optional intent to propose emails are due April 2, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. local time. Proposals are due April 16, 2018 by 2:00 p.m. OH time. An estimated $48.45 million is available for one award.

LINKS:
FBO (https://www.fbo.gov/?s=opportunity&mode=form&id=5b1c6ca117d2d2099a5051880fc58273&cview=0)
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
National Defense Stockpile Research

FON:
BAA-DLASM-2018-2019-01

AGENCY:
Department of Defense (Defense), Defense Logistics Agency (DLA)

ITEM:
Notice seeking efforts to restore and stabilize strategic and critical materials supply chains that have been compromised by decreased or abandoned domestic mining and refining activities or lack of domestic reserves within the United States. Focus areas include: Mining; Refining and Processing; Recycling, Conservation and Substitution Options; and Permanent Magnet Recycling.

ACTION:
White papers are accepted at any time until September 30, 2019. Approximately $250,000 per award is available to support multiple awards.

LINKS:
FBO (https://www.fbo.gov/?s=opportunity&mode=form&id=46af991d0eaff60dd7b7e4e8f3d93e26&tab=core&_cview=0)

CONTACT:
Mark Andrews, 571/767-3665. Email: SMContracting@dla.mil

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
NIJ FY18 Artificial Intelligence Technology Applied Research and Development for Law Enforcement Applications

FON:
NIJ-2018-14000

AGENCY:
Department of Justice (Justice)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications or research to apply advances in artificial intelligence (AI) technologies to support law enforcement in preventing, responding to, and investigating gang violence, human and drug trafficking, migrant smuggling, opioid trafficking, and/or child pornography.

ACTION:
Applications are due April 30, 2018. Up to $2 million is available to support one or more awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
National Criminal Justice Reference Service Response Center, 1-800/851-3420. Email: grants@ncjrs.gov
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
NRCS Conservation Innovation Grants (CIG)-Georgia

FON:
USDA-NRCS-GA-CIG-001

AGENCY:
United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting efforts in Georgia to stimulate the development and adoption of innovative conservation approaches and technologies in conjunction with agricultural production. Projects are expected to lead to the transfer of conservation technologies, management systems, and innovative approaches (such as market-based systems) to agricultural producers, into technical manuals and guides, or to the private sector. Funds support pilot projects, field demonstrations, and on-farm conservation research. A 50 percent cost-share is required.

ACTION:
Applications are due by April 16, 2018. Approximately $300,000 is available to support multiple awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Tansel Hudson, 706/546-2097. Email: tansel.hudson@ga.usda.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Open Meeting of the Information Security and Privacy Advisory Board

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

ITEM:
Notice announcing a meeting with discussion and presentation on the current update to the cybersecurity initiatives.

ACTION:
The meeting will be held on March 15, 2018 from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm ET and March 16, 2018 from 9:00 am to 4:30 pm ET at the American Institute of Architects, 1735 New York Ave. NW, Washington, DC.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Matthew Scholl, 301/975-2941. Email: mscholl@nist.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Partnerships between Science and Engineering Fields and the NSF TRIPODS Institutes
FON: 18-542

AGENCY: National Science Foundation (NSF)

ITEM: Notice seeking applications to engender partnerships between domain science & engineering and foundational data science that benefit and strengthen both communities, not only through significant exchange of ideas and methods, but also through true collaborative efforts with lasting impacts. TRIPODS + X focuses on interdisciplinary research and training activities leading to advances in foundational data science knowledge, as well as solutions to data-driven challenges in other areas of science & engineering.

ACTION: Applications are due May 29, 2018. Approximately $10.71 million is available for 30 awards across three purpose areas to support projects lasting up to three years.

Limited Submission:
Five proposals per institution or three proposals in any of the three purpose areas per institution


CONTACT: See list in the solicitation

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Quantum Information Science Enabled Discovery (QuantISED) for High Energy Physics

FON: DE-FOA-0001893

AGENCY: Department of Energy (Energy)

ITEM: Notice seeking applications to demonstrate relevance for high energy physics, impact on the particle physics project prioritization panel science drivers, and quantum information science.

ACTION: Required letters of intent are due March 26, 2018. Applications are due April 16, 2018. Approximately $12 million is available to support projects lasting up to one to three years.

Limited Submission:
One application per institution


CONTACT: Lali Chatterjee, 301/903-0435. Email: lali.chatterjee@science.doe.gov (mailto:lali.chatterjee@science.doe.gov)
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Remote Sensing for Snowpack and Soil Moisture

FON:
NOAA-OAR-OWAQ-2018-2005521

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting research and development that has a strong potential for advancing the use of snowpack and soil moisture remote sensing data to improve the National Water Model and contribute directly to the mission of NOAA's National Water Center over the next 1 to 2 years. Priorities include: Sensor Technology; Hydrologic Data Algorithms and Fusion; and Hydrologic Data Assimilation and Physics Parameterization. Applicants are required to partner with NOAA organizations and employees for proposed projects.

ACTION:
Applications are due by April 26, 2018. Approximately $3 million is available to support ten to fifteen awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Mark Vincent, Email: Mark.Vincent@noaa.gov (mailto:Mark.Vincent@noaa.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Secure COTS FPGA Solutions; Secure COTS CPI Processing Solutions; AT Secure Microcontroller; and Volume Protection within Secure COTS Architectures

FON:
BAA-AFLCMC_XZZ-2016-0001_Call_3

AGENCY:
Department of Defense (Defense), Air Force Materiel Command

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to develop and/or integrate war fighting technologies for US air, space, and cyberspace forces to include, but not limited to, anti-tamper technologies that protect weapon systems from exploitation, reverse engineering, technology transfer, and countermeasure development.

ACTION:
(Step I) White papers are due April 30, 2018. Approximately $8 million is available for multiple awards to support projects lasting up to three years. Applicants must have a valid U. S. Security Clearance of Secret/Collateral or higher in order to respond to this announcement due to an annex classified at Secret/Collateral level which will be released only to applicants possessing the appropriate clearance.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
MEETING:
Board of Visitors for the National Fire Academy

AGENCY:

ITEM:
Notice announcing a teleconference of the Board of Visitors with the National Fire Academy for the purpose of receiving updates on data, research, response support initiatives, deferred maintenance and capital improvements on the National Emergency Training Center campus, and voting on recommendations on Academy program activities. Public comments are requested.

ACTION:
Registration for the teleconference will close March 9, 2018. The teleconference will be held on March 16, 2018 from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. ET.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Ruth MacPhail, 301/447-1333. Email: ruth.macphail@fema.dhs.gov (mailto:ruth.macphail@fema.dhs.gov)

MEETING:
NASA Advisory Council; Science Committee; Meeting

AGENCY:
National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)

ITEM:
Notice announcing a meeting of the NASA Advisory Council Science Committee held for the purpose of soliciting, from the scientific community and other persons, scientific and technical information relevant to program planning. Teleconference options are also available.

ACTION:
The meeting will be held on March 20 from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and March 21 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. ET at NASA Headquarters, Program Review Center, Room 9H40, 300 E Street SW, Washington, DC.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
KarShelia Henderson, 202/358-2355. Email: khenderson@nasa.gov (mailto:khenderson@nasa.gov)
MEETING:
Reserve Forces Policy Board; Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY:
Department of Defense (Defense)

ITEM:
Notice announcing a meeting of the Federal Advisory Committee to discuss and evaluate information related to strategies, policies, and practices designed to improve and enhance the capabilities, efficiency, and effectiveness of the Reserve Components.

ACTION:
The meeting will be held on March 7, 2018 from 7:55 a.m. to 3:50 p.m. ET at the Pentagon, Room 3E863, Arlington, VA.
The portion of the meeting from 7:55 a.m. to 1:50 p.m. will be closed to the public. The portion of the meeting from 2:00 p.m. to 3:50 p.m. will be open to the public. Seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Attendees must reach out to agency contact not later than 12:00 p.m. on March 6, 2018 to confirm attendance.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Alexander Sabol, 703/681-0577.
Email: Alexander.J.Sabol.Civ@mail.mil

NOTICE:
Credibility Assessment Datasets RFI

FON:
IARPA-RFI-18-02

AGENCY:
Intelligence Advanced Research Projects Activity (IARPA), Director of National Intelligence (DNI)

ITEM:
Notice seeking information on data sources for evaluation of credibility assessment techniques and technologies. Assessments of credibility are often complex and may involve an evaluation of many factors of a source and/or the information, to include, but not limited to, veracity, trustworthiness, motivation, considerations about what may be withheld or concealed, and if credibility of information and/or a source has evolved across environments or over time, such as through transmission. Notice seeks data sources that include an evaluation of one, some, or all of these factors, as well as others that are not listed here, as long as they can be theoretically or empirically linked to an evaluation of source and/or information credibility.

ACTION:
Responses are due May 31, 2018.
LINKS:
FBO (https://www.fbo.gov/notices/1755170dac68312ca6c85263983e9767)

CONTACT:
Alexis Jeannotte, Email: dni-iarpa-rfi-18-02@iarpa.gov (mailto:dni-iarpa-rfi-18-02@iarpa.gov)

NOTICE:
Molecular Information Storage (MIST) Program DRAFT BAA 18-03

AGENCY:
Intelligence Advanced Research Projects Activity (IARPA), Director of National Intelligence (DNI)

ITEM:
Notice seeking comments for the MIST program, which seeks to develop deployable storage technologies that can eventually scale into the exabyte regime and beyond with reduced physical footprint, power and cost requirements relative to conventional storage technologies. This is not a funding announcement.

ACTION:
Comments are due March 15, 2018.

LINKS:
FBO (https://www.fbo.gov/index?s=opportunity&mode=form&tab=core&id=27bb04c4f4027dd010792d7dd7dc19be)

CONTACT:
David Markowitz, Email: dni-iarpa-baa-18-03@iarpa.gov (mailto:dni-iarpa-baa-18-03@iarpa.gov)

NOTICE:
Request for Information (RFI): Credibility Assessment Datasets

FON:
IARPA-RFI-18-02

AGENCY:
Intelligence Advanced Research Projects Activity (IARPA), Director of National Intelligence (DNI)

ITEM:
Notice seeking information on data sources for evaluation of credibility assessment techniques and technologies. Notice seeks data sources that could be compiled and used to independently evaluate and verify the state of the art in credibility assessment techniques and technologies.

ACTION:
Responses are due by May 31, 2018.

LINKS:
FBO (https://www.fbo.gov/?s=opportunity&mode=form&tab=core&id=427e2f0e1a5dc38d00c3935ae766566a&_cview=0)

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