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**ARTS / HUMANITIES / INTERNATIONAL**

**FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:**
2018 Public Diplomacy Small Grants Program

**FON:**
PD-LAO-2018-002

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

**ITEM:**
Notice seeking applications for projects that further the U.S. Mission's public diplomacy goals of strengthening people-to-people ties between Laos and the United States, expanding educational opportunities for Lao people to better engage with the United States and Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), and building and strengthening local partners.

**ACTION:**
Applications are due September 12, 2018. Approximately $60,000 is available to support 3 to 10 awards.

**LINKS:**

**CONTACT:**
Grants Officer, Email: VientianeSmallGrants@state.gov (mailto:VientianeSmallGrants@state.gov)

**FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:**
2019 YSEALI Seeds for the Future Program

**FON:**
USMAS-18-YSEALI-002

**AGENCY:**
Department of State (State), Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs (EAP)

**ITEM:**
Notice seeking applications to develop and implement the 2019 Young Southeast Asian Leaders Initiative (YSEALI) Seeds for the Future small grants program. The program will provide subgrants up to...
$15,000 to Southeast Asian youth from all eleven YSEALI countries. The Seeds for the Future program will allow YSEALI youth to implement public service projects that improve their communities by addressing one or more of the four core YSEALI themes: Civic Engagement, Economic Growth, Education, and Sustainable Development.

**ACTION:**
Applications are due September 15, 2018. Approximately $330,000 is available to support one award.

**LINKS:**

**CONTACT:**
Email: USASEAN@state.gov (mailto:USASEAN@state.gov)

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**FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:**
Keeping the Philippines Competitive in English

**FON:**
18-PHL-NOFO-02

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

**ITEM:**
Notice seeking applications to organize a professional development program for a group of Filipino teachers, teacher trainers, and curriculum development specialists. Proposals should be focused on building the Filipino teachers’ American English knowledge and skills, building teachers’ capacities to effectively educate in multilingual communities, promoting best practices in teaching English as a second language, and building a network between American and Filipino educators.

**ACTION:**
Applications are due September 14, 2018. Approximately $64,000 is available to support one award.

**Limited Submission:**
Applicants are only allowed to submit one proposal per organization.

**LINKS:**

**CONTACT:**
Jeanie Duwan, Email: DuwanJM@state.gov (mailto:DuwanJM@state.gov)

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**FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:**
NEA Literature Fellowships: Translation Projects, FY2020

**FON:**
2019NEA03LFTP

**AGENCY:**
National Endowment for the Arts (NEA)
ITEM:
Notice seeking applications for the translation of specific works of prose, poetry, or drama from other languages into English.

ACTION:
Applications are due December 5, 2018. Multiple awards are anticipated in the amount of either $12,500 or $25,000.

Limited Submission:
Only one submission per applicant. Applicants may not apply for both a Translation Project under this deadline and a Literature Fellowship under the 2019 deadline.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
NEA Literature Staff, 202-682-5034. Email: litfellowships@arts.gov (mailto:litfellowships@arts.gov)

EDUCATION / ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Care and Rehabilitation of Injured, Ill and Orphaned Wildlife

FON:
N62473-18-2-0017

AGENCY:
Navy (Navy), Department of Defense (Defense), Naval Facilities Engineering Command

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to provide care for and rehabilitate injured, ill and orphaned birds and other terrestrial wildlife, excluding marine mammals, by a licensed wildlife rehabilitation agency or organization in compliance with applicable State and Federal Laws, identify causes of mortality and injury when possible, and report back to the Navy the outcome for each animal.

ACTION:
Applications are due September 14, 2018.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Kimberly Rieder, 619-532-2786. Email: Kimberly.rieder@navy.mil (mailto:Kimberly.rieder@navy.mil)

MEETING:
Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Advisory Committee

AGENCY:
National Archives and Records Administration (NARA)

ITEM:
Notice announcing a meeting of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Advisory Committee. The purpose of this meeting will be to introduce all of the members, review upcoming
meeting dates for 2018 and 2019, brainstorm topics for subcommittees, and have Government members receive ethics training.

**ACTION:**
The meeting will be held September 6, 2018, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. ET. National Archives and Records Administration (NARA); 700 Pennsylvania Avenue NW; William G. McGowan Theater; Washington, DC 20408. You must register for the meeting by 5:00 p.m. ET on September 4, 2018.

**LINKS:**

**CONTACT:**
Kirsten Mitchell, 202-741-5770. Email: foia-advisory-committee@nara.gov (mailto:foia-advisory-committee@nara.gov)

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**HEALTH**

**FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:**
Advancing Translational and Clinical Probiotic/Prebiotic and Human Microbiome Research (R01 Clinical Trial Optional)

**FON:**
PA-18-902

**AGENCY:**
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Cancer Institute (NCI); Office of Dietary Supplements (ODS)

**ITEM:**
Notice seeking applications for interdisciplinary collaborations across scientific disciplines engaged in microbiome and pro/prebiotic research including, but not limited to: nutritional science, microbiology, virology, microecology and microbiome, genomics, immunology, computational biology, chemistry, bioengineering, as well as integration of omics and computational approaches in DNA technologies. Proposals will accelerate translational and clinical Phase I and II a/b safety and efficacy studies for substantiating measurable functional benefits of probiotic/prebiotic components and/or their combinations; and seek to understand the underlying mechanisms of their action(s), and variability in responses to these interventions.

**ACTION:**
Applications are due on a standard schedule of October 5, February 5, and June 5 until 2021. Multiple awards are anticipated.

**LINKS:**

**CONTACT:**
Gabriela Riscuta, 240-276-7118. Email: gabriela.riscuta@nih.gov (mailto:gabriela.riscuta@nih.gov)

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**FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:**
Chronic, Non-Communicable Diseases and Disorders Across the Lifespan: Fogarty International Research Training Award (NCD-LIFESPAN) (D43)(Clinical Trial Optional)
FON: PAR-18-901

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

ITEM: Notice seeking applications to sustainably strengthen the NCD research capacity of the LMIC institutions, and to train in-country experts to develop and conduct research on NCDs across the lifespan, with the long-range goal of developing and implementing evidence-based interventions relevant to their countries.

ACTION: Optional letters of intent are due October 13, 2018. Applications are due November 13, 2018.


CONTACT: Kathleen Michels, 301-496-1653. Email: FIC-NCD-D43@mail.nih.gov (mailto:FIC-NCD-D43@mail.nih.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
DoD Psychological Health/ Traumatic Brain Injury, Complex Traumatic Brain Injury Rehabilitation Research, Clinical Trial Award

FON: W81XWH-18-CTRR-CTA

AGENCY: Army (Army), Department of Defense (Defense), Congressionally Directed Medical Research Programs (CDMRP)

ITEM: Notice seeking applications to support clinical trials focused on TBI cognitive rehabilitation interventions. The award mechanism supports small, Phase I clinical trials to advance the development of knowledge and materiel products for rehabilitation and restoration of function following TBI in Service members, Veterans, and other individuals.

ACTION: Required pre-applications are due September 24, 2018. Invited applications are due December 17, 2018. Approximately $4 million is available to support two awards.


CONTACT: CDMRP Help Desk, 301-682-5507. Email: help@eBRAP.org (mailto:help@eBRAP.org)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
DoD Psychological Health/ Traumatic Brain Injury, Complex Traumatic Brain Injury Rehabilitation Research, Clinical Trial Development Award
FON:
W81XWH-18-CTRR-CTDA

AGENCY:
Army (Army), Department of Defense (Defense), Congressionally Directed Medical Research Programs (CDMRP)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to supports the design and development of the research resources necessary to serve as a foundation for investigator-initiated clinical trials under future PH/TBIRP CTRR-Clinical Trial Award with the potential to develop knowledge and material products for rehabilitation and restoration of function following TBI.

ACTION:
Required pre-applications are due September 24, 2018. Invited applications are due December 17, 2018. Approximately $800,000 is available to support four awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
CDMRP Help Desk, 301-682-5507. Email: help@eBRAP.org

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Ensuring High Quality in Mentor Mother Strategy Implementation: Helping Mothers Eliminate Pediatric HIV in Mozambique under the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR)

FON:
CDC-RFA-GH19-1903

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to reduce vertical transmission, increase early infant diagnosis (EID) testing coverage, and improve retention in care for young children living with HIV.

ACTION:
Applications are due October 15, 2018. Approximately $5 million is available to support two awards for five years.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Randolph Williams, 770-488-8382. Email: gur2@cdc.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Pediatric Immunotherapy Discovery and Development Network (PI-DDN)(U01 - No Clinical Trial Allowed)
FON:
RFA-CA-19-004

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to establish a network of collaborating investigators to identify and advance research opportunities for translating immunotherapy concepts for children and adolescents with cancer toward clinical applications.

ACTION:
Optional letters of intent are due November 17, 2018. Applications are due December 17, 2018. Approximately $3 million is available to support four or five awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Judy Mietz, 240-276-6250. Email: mietzj@mail.nih.gov (mailto:mietzj@mail.nih.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Pediatric Immunotherapy Discovery and Development Network (PI-DDN)(U54 - Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

FON:
RFA-CA-19-003

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to establish centers of collaborating investigators with the goal of identifying and advancing research opportunities for translating immunotherapy concepts for children and adolescents with cancer toward clinical applications.

ACTION:
Optional letters of intent are due 30 days prior to the application due date. Applications are due December 17, 2018. Approximately $2.5 million is available to support one award.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Judy Mietz, 240-276-6250. Email: mietzj@mail.nih.gov (mailto:mietzj@mail.nih.gov)
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Pilot and Feasibility Clinical and Translational Research Studies in Digestive Diseases and Nutrition (R21 Clinical Trial Optional)

FON:
PA-18-903

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications for clinical pilot and feasibility; and laboratory based translational research relevant to the mission of the Division of Digestive Diseases and Nutrition without stringent requirements for preliminary data. Applications should propose pilot and feasibility research studies that will facilitate conduct of a larger clinical study by assessing a clinical research protocol feasibility issue(s); or the translation of promising and relevant new scientific developments into the clinical setting or that will advance our understanding of pathophysiological mechanism that may become the basis for diagnostic or therapeutic development.

ACTION:
Applications are due on a standard schedule of October 16, February 16, and June 16 until 2021. Multiple awards are anticipated with an award ceiling of $275,000 for a two-year period.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Edward Doo, 301-451-4524. Email: dooe@niddk.nih.gov (mailto:dooe@niddk.nih.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Research Network on Telomeres as Sentinels of Environmental Exposures, Psychosocial Stress, and Disease Susceptibility (U24 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

FON:
RFA-AG-19-022

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications for a U24 Telomere Research Network/Collaboratory. This U24 will coordinate activities of a telomere length (TL) methods comparison study involving multiple labs supported under U01 awards made in response to FOA (RFA-AG-19-023) to address the need for cross-validation between protocols and samples for establishing best practices for population-based TL research.

ACTION:
Optional letters of intent are due November 3, 2018. Applications are due December 3, 2018. Approximately $1.417 million is available to support three to four U01 awards and one U24 award.
LINKS:

CONTACT:
Lis Nielsen, 301-496-3136. Email: NIATelomeresFOAs@nih.gov (mailto:NIATelomeresFOAs@nih.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Strategic Information Support Across Countries under the Global Fund to Fight HIV/AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria and under the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR)

FON:
CDC-RFA-GH19-1951

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to provide funding and targeted support to advance strategic information activities including surveillance, M&E, health information systems (HIS), and statistical methodologies for HIV and TB, diagnosis, treatment, and prevention. This would ensure efficient patient management, M&E, measure impact, and accountability assessments for PEPFAR prioritized countries.

ACTION:
Applications are due October 15, 2018. Approximately $10 million is available to support two awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Sadhna Patel, 404-639-6212. Email: sjp5@cdc.gov (mailto:sjp5@cdc.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Telomeres as Sentinels of Environmental Exposures, Psychosocial Stress, and Disease Susceptibility: A Methods Comparison Study (U01 Clinical Trial Optional)

FON:
RFA-AG-19-023

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to support Methods Comparison Projects to serve three main functions: (1) to conduct a joint effort among telomere researchers to determine the relationship between different telomere length (TL) methods, inter-assay variability, and the factors that influence results; (2) to contribute to development of best practice recommendations for assay protocols for TL measurement for different types of studies, with a focus on population-based health research, including biological sample collection, storage, and processing; laboratory methods; data analysis; and reporting requirements; and (3) to repurpose existing methods or develop new methods to enhance the use of TL measurement.
ACTION:
Optional letters of intent are due November 3, 2018. Applications are due December 3, 2018. Approximately $1.417 million is available to support three to four U01 awards and one U24 award.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Lis Nielsen, 301-496-3136. Email: NIATelomeresFOAs@nih.gov (mailto:NIATelomeresFOAs@nih.gov)

MEETING:
Meeting of the Pain Management Best Practices Inter-Agency Task Force

AGENCY:
Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

ITEM:
Notice announcing a meeting of the Pain Management Best Practices Inter-Agency Task Force to discuss updates to existing best practices and recommendations based on gaps and inconsistencies for pain management, including chronic and acute pain. The Task Force will receive presentations from three Task Force subcommittees established at the inaugural Task Force meeting. The Task Force subcommittees will discuss recommendations for updates to best practices and recommendations for chronic and acute pain management and prescribing pain medication based on the components outlined in Section 101 of the CARA statute. The Task Force will deliberate and vote on the draft Task Force recommendations.

ACTION:
The meeting will be held September 25, 2018 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and September 26, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. ET at the Hubert H. Humphrey Building, Great Hall, 200 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Alicia Richmond Scott, 240-453-2816. Email: paintaskforce@hhs.gov (mailto:paintaskforce@hhs.gov)

MEETING:
National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute

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

ITEM:
Notice announcing a meeting of the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss program policies and issues.

ACTION:
The meeting will be held September 5, 2018 from 8:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the National Institutes of Health, Building 35A, Porter Building, Room 640, 35A Convent Drive, Bethesda, MD.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Laura Moen, 301-435-0260. Email: moenl@mail.nih.gov

MEETING:
Pharmaceutical Science and Clinical Pharmacology 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 Pharmaceutical Science and Clinical Pharmacology Advisory Committee to discuss two topics related to the Office of Pharmaceutical Quality's priority of promoting the availability of better medicine. During the morning session, the committee will discuss the modernization of assessing drug applications through a Knowledge-Aided Assessment and Structured Application (KASA) initiative. FDA will seek input on the potential enhancement of a submission format consistent with KASA to improve the efficiency and consistency of regulatory quality assessment. During the afternoon session, the committee will discuss in-vitro/in-vivo relationship standards, and will seek input on establishing patient-focused dissolution standards for oral solid modified-release dosage forms.

ACTION:
The meeting will be held September 20, 2018 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. ET at the FDA White Oak Campus, 10903 New Hampshire Ave., Bldg. 31 Conference Center, the Great Room (Rm. 1503), Silver Spring, MD.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Jay R. Fajiculay, 301-796-9001. Email: acps-cp@fda.hhs.gov

SCIENCE / TECHNOLOGY / ENGINEERING / MATH

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Documenting Endangered Languages

FON:
18-580
AGENCY:
National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH), National Science Foundation (NSF)

ITEM:
Notice seeking proposals to develop and advance knowledge concerning endangered human languages. Made urgent by the imminent death of roughly half of the approximately 7000 currently used languages, this effort aims to exploit advances in information technology to build computational infrastructure for endangered language research.

ACTION:
Proposals are due November 19, 2018, September 16, 2019, and September 15, annually thereafter. Approximately $4.8 million is available to support 26 to 30 awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Colleen Fitzgerald, 703-292-4381. Email: cfitzger@nsf.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Plant Genome Research Program

FON:
18-579

AGENCY:
Directorate for Biological Sciences (BIO), National Science Foundation (NSF)

ITEM:
Notice seeking proposals to support genome-scale research that addresses challenging questions of biological, societal and economic importance. PGRP encourages the development of innovative tools, technologies and resources that empower a broad plant research community to answer scientific questions on a genome-wide scale. Two funding tracks are currently available: 1) Research PGR Track and 2) TRTech-PGR Track.

ACTION:
Proposals are accepted anytime. Approximately $20 million is available to support 10 to 15 awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Anne Sylvester, 703-292-7168. Email: asylvest@nsf.gov

MEETING:
NASA Advisory Council; Meeting

AGENCY:
National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)
ITEM:
Notice announcing a meeting of the NASA Advisory Council to hear reports from the Aeronautics Committee; the Human Exploration and Operations Committee; the Science Committee; the Technology, Innovation and Engineering Committee; and the Ad Hoc Task Force on STEM Education. Web and teleconference options are available.

ACTION:
The meeting will be held on August 29, 2018 from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. and August 30, 2018 from 10:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. ET at the NASA Ames Conference Center, Building 3, 500 Severyns Road, Ballroom, Moffett Field, CA.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
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