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**ARTS / HUMANITIES / INTERNATIONAL**

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Combating Wildlife Trafficking in Latin America and the Caribbean

FON:
SFOP0004229

AGENCY:
Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs (INL), Department of State (State)
ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to deter, detect, investigate, prosecute, and adjudicate wildlife poaching and trafficking cases in two or more of the following primary countries of engagement: Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Ecuador, Guyana, Peru, Suriname, Guatemala, Belize, and Mexico. Additional countries in Latin America and the Caribbean may also be included.

ACTION:
Applications are due May 14, 2018. Approximately $4 million is available for two awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Vonda Wolcott, Email: WOLCOTTV@state.gov (mailto:WOLCOTTV@state.gov)

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FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Control and Elimination of Neglected Tropical Diseases

FON:
7200AA18RFA00010

AGENCY:
United States Agency for International Development (USAID)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to support disease-endemic countries to control and/or eliminate Neglected Tropical Diseases with proven, cost-effective public health interventions. A ten percent cost share is required. The current list of USAID-supported countries is: Benin, Bangladesh, Burkina Faso, Cambodia, Cameroon, Cote d’Ivoire, Democratic Republic of Congo, Ethiopia, Ghana, Guinea, Haiti, Indonesia, Mali, Mozambique, Nepal, Niger, Nigeria, Philippines, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Tanzania, Togo, Uganda, Laos, and Vietnam.

ACTION:
Applications are due by April 27, 2018. Approximately $500 million is available to support two to four awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Petrina Williams, 202/567-5368. Email: cepntd@usaid.gov (mailto:cepntd@usaid.gov)

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FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Support for Colombian Judicial Education

FON:
INL18CA0014-COLOMBIAN-JUDICIAL-EDU-03151

AGENCY:
Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs (INL), Department of State (State)
ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting efforts to improve the capacity of the Colombian judiciary to function effectively, efficiently, and justly. Funds support the creation and implementation of an organizational management strategy focusing on impact and the best use of limited resources that will improve the competencies of judges and other key judicial staff including court clerks and secretaries in order to apply the law correctly, follow established and uniform procedures, and build the judiciary’s capacity to manage courts with transparency, professionalism, and efficiency.

ACTION:
Applications are due by May 14, 2018. Approximately $3 million is available to support multiple awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Milena Sanchez de Boado. Email: SanchezdeBoadoM@state.gov (mailto:SanchezdeBoadoM@state.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Ukraine: Design and Implementation of The English Access Microscholarship Program, 2018--2020

FON:
ACCESS2018-20

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting efforts to provide a foundation of English language skills to talented 13-20 year-olds from economically disadvantaged sectors in Ukraine through after-school classes and intensive sessions. Funds support: after-school instruction; intensive sessions; and community service activities.

ACTION:
Applications are due by May 14, 2018 at 11:59 pm GMT +2. Approximately $165,000 is available to support one award.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Igor Sikorsky 044/521-57-63. Email: KyivAccess@state.gov (mailto:KyivAccess@state.gov)

EDUCATION / ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Activating Community Opportunities Using Museums/Libraries as Assets- A National Leadership Grants Special Initiative

FON:
NLG-SI-CC-FY18
AGENCY:
Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting projects that address significant challenges and opportunities facing the library, archive, and museum fields and have the potential to advance theory and practice. Focus areas include: Adaptable Models for Joint Efforts to Engage and Serve a Local Community; Broadening Reach into New Communities with Existing and Potential Partners; Community Buy-in and Asset Mapping; Sharing Findings and Project Evaluation; and Projects must involve libraries or museums, and Opportunities to Link with Economic Development Efforts.

ACTION:
Applications are due by May 14, 2018. Approximately $2 million is available to support up to 15 awards. A 1:1 cost share is required.

Limited Submission:
An applicant organization may only submit one application to this special initiative.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Marvin Carr, Email: mcarr@imls.gov (mailto:mcarr@imls.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Commercial Motor Vehicle Operator Safety Training Grant Program

FON:
FM-DTG-18-001

AGENCY:
Department of Transportation (DOT)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting efforts to expand the number of commercial driver’s license (CDL) holders possessing enhanced operator safety training to help reduce the severity and number of crashes on U.S. roads involving Commercial Motor Vehicles and to assist current or former members of the U.S. Armed Forces, including National Guard and Reservists to obtain a CDL. Applicants from states affected by hurricanes Irma, Harvey, and Maria will be prioritized.

ACTION:
Applications are due by May 14, 2018. Approximately $1 million is available to support 10 awards. 15 percent cost share is required.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
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FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
NIJ FY18 Research and Evaluation on the Administration of Justice

FON:
NIJ-2018-14001

AGENCY:
Department of Justice (Justice) , National Institute of Justice (NIJ)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to research and evaluation projects related to the administration of justice in three priority areas: 1) eyewitness evidence; 2) front-end intervention strategies (diversion and deflection, pretrial notification protocols and court appearance compliance, and justice system-led strategies aimed at young-adult offenders); and 3) enhancing investigation and prosecution (body worn cameras, and jury nullification). Strong applications that address the administration of justice in the U.S. but fall outside these areas may also be considered.

ACTION:
Applications are due May 14, 2018. Approximately $3 million is available for multiple awards to support projects lasting up to three years.

LINKS:

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

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
NIJ FY18 Understanding the Impacts of Policing Strategies and Practices

FON:
NIJ-2018-14064

AGENCY:
Department of Justice (Justice) , National Institute of Justice (NIJ)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to examine the impact of police crime-reduction practices and strategies on four variables: (1) crime, (2) officer safety, (3) criminal investigations, and (4) criminal prosecutions with an emphasis on examining the practice of proactive policing and its related strategies, especially focused deterrence.

ACTION:
Applications are due May 14, 2018. Approximately $3 million is available for multiple awards to support projects lasting up to three years.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
National Criminal Justice Reference Service Response Center, 800/851-3420. Email: grants@ncjrs.gov
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
OJJDP FY 2018 Specialized Services and Mentoring for Child and Youth Victims of Sex Trafficking

FON:
OJJDP-2018-13704

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to develop or enhance mentoring service models and mentor training based on best practices to focus on the needs of youth who are at risk or are victims of commercial sexual exploitation/domestic sex trafficking; develop or update strategies to recruit and maintain mentors to serve under identified and underserved populations; begin or enhance efforts to identify and enroll youth who are in need of services; and provide needed services to these youth.

ACTION:
Applications are due May 15, 2018. Approximately $1.3 million is available for three awards to support projects lasting up to one year. Eligible applicants that propose to provide direct services to youth must not include youth who are age 18 or older in the population they will serve. Partnerships and subgrantees are welcome with one designated lead institution.

Limited Submission:
One application per institution.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
DOJ Response Center, 800/851-3420. Email: grants@ncjrs.gov (mailto:grants@ncjrs.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Preventing Violence Against Law Enforcement Officers and Ensuring Officer Resilience and Survivability (VALOR)

FON:
BJA-2018-13628

AGENCY:
Department of Justice (Justice)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting efforts to enhance law enforcement safety, wellness, resilience, and survivability. Funds support two categories of awards: Law Enforcement Suicide Prevention Training Program; and Tactical Officer Safety Training Program.

ACTION:
Applications are due by April 30, 2018. Approximately $800,000 is available to support one Suicide Prevention award. Approximately $1 million is available to support one Safety Training award.

LINKS:
CONTACT:
National Criminal Justice Reference Service Response Center: 800/851–3420. Email: grants@ncjrs.gov
(mailto:grants@ncjrs.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Refugee Family Child Care Microenterprise Development Program

FON:
HHS-2018-ACF-ORR-RG-1337

AGENCY:
Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Office of Refugee Resettlement

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to 1) help refugees to achieve economic self-sufficiency by establishing licensed family child care businesses; 2) help refugee families gain access to licensed family child care businesses which will meet the early care and developmental needs of refugee children; and 3) assist refugees in learning how to navigate mainstream child care services.

ACTION:
Applications are due May 15, 2018. Approximately $1.5 million is available for eight awards to support projects lasting up to three years.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Anastasia Brown, 202/401-4559. Email: anastasia.brown@acf.hhs.gov
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FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Refugee Individual Development Accounts (IDA) Program

FON:
HHS-2018-ACF-ORR-ZI-1338

AGENCY:
Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to establish and manage Individual Development Accounts for low-income refugee participants. Eligible refugee participants who enroll in these projects will open and contribute systematically to IDAs for specified savings goals, including home ownership, business capitalization, vehicles for educational or work purposes, education, professional certification, and education (limited to postsecondary and/or continuing education, college entrance exam fees), etc.

ACTION:
Applications are due May 15, 2018. Approximately $250,000, per award, is available for eight awards to support projects lasting up to three years.
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Research and Evaluation in Safety, Health, and Wellness in the Criminal Justice System

FON:
NIJ-2018-14100

AGENCY:
Department of Justice (Justice)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting efforts to build a knowledge base focused on the safety, health, and wellness of individuals employed in criminal justice occupations, individuals under the supervision of the criminal justice system, and members of the public as they interact with the system. Fund support research in four focus areas: the impact of fatigue and stress on officer performance; the impact of occupational prestige and job satisfaction on officer stress resilience; enhancing strategies for officer interaction with mentally ill individuals; and reducing traffic-related officer fatalities and injuries through technology enhancement and policy.

ACTION:
Applications are due by May 14, 2018. Approximately $3 million is available to support multiple awards.

LINKS:

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

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Technology Innovation for Public Safety (TIPS) Addressing Precipitous Increases in Crime

FON:
BJA-2018-13568

AGENCY:
Department of Justice (Justice)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications from units of local and state governments for the implementation of innovative and replicable projects that combat precipitous increases in crime, with an emphasis on addressing violent crime, human trafficking, and the opioid crisis. Projects must directly address a precipitous or extraordinary increase in crime(s) or in a type or types of crime in the applicant’s own jurisdiction, by impacting the population(s) affected in the application. IHEs may subcontract.
ACTION:
Applications are due by May 1, 2018. Approximately $3.5 million is available to support multiple awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
National Criminal Justice Reference Service Response Center: 800/851–3420. Email grants@ncjrs.gov (mailto:grants@ncjrs.gov)

NOTICE:
Consumer Advisory Board and Councils Solicitation of Applications for Membership

AGENCY:
(CFPB)

ITEM:
Notice announcing a the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, under the Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, invites the public to apply for membership for appointment to its Consumer Advisory Board, Community Bank Advisory Council, and Credit Union Advisory Council. Membership of the Board and Councils includes representatives of consumers, communities, the financial services industry and academics.

ACTION:
Application packets are due April 23, 2018. The application will be available on March 19, 2018 here: https://goo.gl/u23CIY.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Julian Alcazar, 202/435-9885. Email: CFPB_Accessibility@cfpb.gov (mailto:CFPB_Accessibility@cfpb.gov)

NOTICE:
Market Risk Advisory Committee

AGENCY:
Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC)

ITEM:
Notice seeking nominations for membership on the Market Risk Advisory Committee, and also inviting the submission of potential topics for discussion at future Committee meetings. Members must have a high-level of expertise and experience in the derivatives and financial markets and the Commission’s regulation of such markets, including from a historical perspective.

ACTION:
Submissions for both nominations and topics are due by March 29, 2018.
NOTICE:
Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY:
Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

ITEM:
Notice announcing a request for comments on the automated Community Services Block Grant State Plan format for states and territories by revising questions for clarity and system compatibility.

ACTION:
Email comments and recommendations to: Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project, Email: OIRA_SUBMISSION@OMB.EOP.GOV Attn: Desk Officer for the Administration for Children and Families. Submit comments within the next 30 days.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Email: infocollection@acf.hhs.gov

HEALTH

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Administrative Supplements for Research on Sexual and Gender Minority (SGM) Populations (Admin Supp)

FON:
PA-18-713

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

ITEM:
Notice supporting efforts to expand existing NIH research to focus on Sexual and Gender Minority health. Focus areas include studies on increased disease risk; mental, behavioral and social health; approaches to personalized medicine; access to care; reproductive and sexual development; neurological and cognitive development; and resilience. Target populations include lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people, and individuals with differences or disorders of sexual development (sometimes referred to as "intersex" or as specific diagnoses).

ACTION:
Applications are due by May 7, 2018. Approximately $1 million is available to support up to ten awards.
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Career Transition Award for NINDS Intramural Clinician-Scientists (K22) - Clinical Trial Required/Not Allowed
FON: PAR-18-710; PAR-18-711
AGENCY: National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Strokes (NINDS)
ITEM: Notice seeking applications supporting efforts to facilitate intramural neurologist- and neurosurgeon-scientists within the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke looking to transition to independent, academic faculty positions that support clinician-scientists to engage in independently funded scientific research as well as clinical activities. Funds support both projects that involve and do not involve clinical trials.
ACTION: Applications for both projects are due annually on February 12, June 12, and October 12 until May 8, 2019. Multiple awards are anticipated.
CONTACT: Stephen Korn, 301/496-4188. Email: korns@ninds.nih.gov (mailto:korns@ninds.nih.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Data Standards for Clinical Research and Drug Development (U24)
FON: RFA-FD-18-015
AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration (FDA), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research (CBER)
ITEM: Notice seeking applications to expedite development of data standards and terminologies to support human drug development and evaluation. Funds support research and the development of non-proprietary, consensus-based, national data standards for use in clinical studies of human drugs and
biologics. Projects may focus on solutions to general data standards development and implementation challenges or on specific clinical concepts, domains, or therapeutic areas where standardization is needed.

**ACTION:**
Applications are due May 15, 2018. Approximately $750,000 is available to support three awards.

**LINKS:**

**CONTACT:**
Jenise Gillespie-Pedersen, 301/796-4211. Email: jenise.gillespie-pedersen@fda.hhs.gov (mailto:jenise.gillespie-pedersen@fda.hhs.gov)

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**FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:**
Genomic Centers for Infectious Diseases (U19 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

**FON:**
RFA-AI-18-004

**AGENCY:**
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID)

**ITEM:**
Notice seeking applications supporting Genomic Centers for Infectious Diseases to promote broad use and expand the application of genomics technologies and computational analysis to understand infectious diseases, with an emphasis on pathogens, their interaction with the host and microbiome, and to aid in the development of novel genomics-based tools to diagnose, prevent and treat infectious diseases. Funds support innovative technology development in all aspects of genomics, including the use of synthetic and genome editing technologies as well as functional genomics to address basic, translational, and clinically relevant questions in host-pathogen interactions.

**ACTION:**
Optional letters of intent are due by May 22, 2018. Applications are due by June 22, 2018. Approximately $12 million is available to support two to three awards.

**LINKS:**

**CONTACT:**
Liliana Brown, 301/496-1884. Email: liliana.brown@nih.gov (mailto:liliana.brown@nih.gov)

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**FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:**
Implementing Alcohol Screening and Brief Intervention in Healthcare Systems Providing Women's Health Services

**FON:**
CDC-RFA-DD18-1802
AGENCY:
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to reduce risky alcohol use among women of childbearing age through system-level implementation of alcohol screening and brief intervention in health systems providing women's health services.

ACTION:
Applications are due May 16, 2018. Approximately $400,000, per award, is available for three awards to support projects lasting up to four years. Direct assistance is not available through this FOA.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Elizabeth Dang, 404/498-3947. Email: edang@cdc.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Investigations on Primary Immunodeficiency Diseases/Inborn Errors of Immunity (R01 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

FON:
PAR-18-712

AGENCY:
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting efforts to advance the discovery and characterization of primary immunodeficiency diseases, also referred to as inborn errors of immunity, to understand the causes and mechanisms of disease, to enable early detection and molecular diagnosis, and to support the development of strategies to treat and eventually cure these disorders.

ACTION:
Optional letters of intent are due 30 days before the chosen due date. Applications are due annually on February 5, June 5, and October 5 until May 8, 2021. Multiple awards are anticipated.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Frosso Voulgaropoulou, 240/627-3205. Email: fvoulgaropoulou@niaid.nih.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Novel Tools for Investigating Brain-derived GPCRs in Mental Health Research (R41/R42 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)
FON: PA-18-709

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting small businesses to develop technologies and approaches (i.e., novel ways to use new or existing technologies) that will enable researchers to better understand and manipulate the dynamic structure and/or function of brain localized G-protein coupled receptors and/or potentially identify novel selective and specific agonists, antagonists, or allosteric modulators for these receptor subtypes, with a focus on mental health function or dysfunction. Technologies and approaches aimed at either well characterized receptor subtypes or understudied/orphan receptors would be of potential interest for this STTR program. IHEs must be a partner to any application.

ACTION:
Applications are due annually on September 5, January 5, and April 5 until September 6, 2021. Approximately $225,000 per award is available to support multiple awards.

LINKS:

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

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Novel Tools for Investigating Brain-derived GPCRs in Mental Health Research (R43/R44 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

FON: PA-18-708

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting small businesses to develop technologies and approaches (i.e., novel ways to use new or existing technologies) that will enable researchers to better understand and manipulate the dynamic structure and/or function of brain localized G-protein coupled receptors and/or potentially identify novel selective and specific agonists, antagonists, or allosteric modulators for these receptor subtypes, with a focus on mental health function or dysfunction. Technologies and approaches aimed at either well characterized receptor subtypes or understudied/orphan receptors would be of potential interest for this SBIR program. IHEs may be a partner to any application.

ACTION:
Applications are due annually on September 5, January 5, and April 5 until September 6, 2021. Approximately $450,000 per award is available to support multiple awards.

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

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Sexually Transmitted Infections (STI) Cooperative Research Centers (CRC): Vaccine Development (U19 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

FON:
RFA-AI-18-005

AGENCY:
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to support the development of vaccines to control and prevent sexually transmitted infections caused by the following pathogens, which have limited candidates in the product development pipeline: Neisseria gonorrhoeae, Chlamydia trachomatis, Treponema pallidum, and the development of prophylactic vaccines for herpes simplex virus.

ACTION:
Applications are due June 20, 2018. Approximately $1.5 million is available, per year, for up to five awards to support projects lasting up to five years. Up to $60,000 in direct costs for up to two Development and Research Program awards per year.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Thomas Hiltke, 240/627-3275. Email: thiltke@mail.nih.gov (mailto:thiltke@mail.nih.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Technologies for Healthy Independent Living for Heart, Lung, Blood and Sleep Disorders (R43 - Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

FON:
RFA-HL-19-016

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting small businesses looking to design and develop technologies to monitor health or deliver care in a real-time, accessible, effective, and minimally obtrusive way for older adults with a chronic heart, lung, blood, or sleep (HLBS) condition. These technologies may be novel sensor or monitoring systems, home-use point-of-care devices, home or mobile therapy or rehabilitation tools, or information systems and should have the goal of fostering healthy and
independent living for aging adults with HLBS conditions. The development of such technologies should incorporate specific human factors for aging adults including disabilities, mild impairments, as well as chronic HLBS conditions. Institutions of Higher Education (IHEs) may partner.

ACTION:
Optional letters of intent are due 30 days before the chosen due date. Applications are due June 11, 2018, September 10, 2018, June 10, 2019, September 10, 2019, and June 10, 2020. Approximately $1.125 million is available to support three awards.

LINKS:

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

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MEETING:
Advisory Council on Alzheimer's Research, Care, and Services; Meeting

AGENCY:
Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

ITEM:
Notice announcing a meeting of the Advisory Council on Alzheimer’s Research, Care, and Services to discuss advancing consensus on dementia care elements to guide new outcomes measurement.

ACTION:
The public workshop will be held on June 11-12, 2018 from 8 am to 5:30 pm ET, and June 13, 2018 from 8 am to 12 pm ET at the Hubert H. Humphrey Building (Room 800), 200 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Rohini Khillan, 202/690-5932. Email: rohini.khillan@hhs.gov (mailto:rohini.khillan@hhs.gov)

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MEETING:
Arthritis 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 Arthritis Advisory Committee to provide advice and recommendations to FDA on regulatory issues.

ACTION:
The meeting will be held on April 23, 2018 from 8 am to 5 pm ET at 10903 New Hampshire Ave., Building 31 Conference Center, the Great Room (Rm. 1503), Silver Spring, MD. Electronic comments are due April 20, 2018: https://www.regulations.gov (https://www.regulations.gov/)

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Yinghua Wang, 301/796-9001. Email: AAC@fda.hhs.gov (mailto:AAC@fda.hhs.gov)

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MEETING:
National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences; Notice of Meeting

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

ITEM:
Notice announcing a meeting of the Board of Scientific Counselors for the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences for presentations.

ACTION:
The meeting will be held April 16, 2018, 8:30 am to 11:50 am ET, April 16, 2018, 1:35 pm to 3:25 pm ET, and April 17, 2018, 8:30 am to 9:30 am ET at the Nat. Inst. of Environmental Health Sciences, Building 101, Rodbell Auditorium, 111 T. W. Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park, NC.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Darryl Zeldin, 919/541-1169. Email: zeldin@niehs.nih.gov (mailto:zeldin@niehs.nih.gov)

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NOTICE:
Draft-National Occupational Research Agenda for Respiratory Health

AGENCY:
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH)

ITEM:
Notice seeking comment on a draft agenda entitled National Occupational Research Agenda for Respiratory Health, which provides a vehicle for stakeholders to describe the most relevant issues, gaps, and safety and health needs for the sector. Comments expressing support or with specific recommendations to improve the Agenda are requested.

ACTION:
Comments must be received by May 14, 2018.

LINKS:
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SCIENCE / TECHNOLOGY / ENGINEERING / MATH

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Announcement for Program Funding for NRCS’ Conservation Innovation Grants (CIG) for Federal fiscal year (FY) 2018 – Rhode Island

FON: 
USDA-NRCS-RI-CIG-18-001

AGENCY: 
United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)

ITEM: 
Notice seeking applications to stimulate the development and adoption of innovative conservation approaches and technologies in conjunction with agricultural production conducted in Rhode Island. Projects will lead to the transfer of conservation technologies, management systems, and innovative approaches (such as market-based systems) to agricultural producers, into NRCS technical manuals and guides, or to the private sector.

ACTION: 
Applications are due May 11, 2018. Approximately $128,000 is available for three awards to support projects lasting up to three years.

LINKS: 

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FUNDING OPPORTUNITY: 
Biostasis

FON: 
HR001118S0034

AGENCY: 
Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA), Department of Defense (Defense)

ITEM: 
Notice seeking applications to develop novel approaches to reversibly pause and/or slow the functions and preserve viability of living cells without reliance on cold temperature in conjunction with the Department’s goal to maintain and deliver biological therapeutics and extend the window of time for effective use of field forward therapeutics.

ACTION: 
Proposal abstracts are due April 17, 2018. Full proposals are due May 22, 2018. Multiple awards are available to support projects lasting up to five years.
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
CubeSat-based Science Missions for Geospace and Atmospheric Research

FON: 18-553

AGENCY: National Science Foundation (NSF)
ITEM: Notice seeking proposals to research satellite development, construction, testing and operation as well as data distribution and scientific analysis.

ACTION: Proposals are due June 13, 2018. Approximately $1.2 million is available for two awards to support projects lasting up to two years.

LINKS: Grants.gov, FBO, Grants.gov, Solicitation, Agency Site

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FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Management and Operation of the Advanced Modular Incoherent Scatter Radar (AMISR) Facilities at Poker Flat, AK, and Resolute Bay, Canada

FON: 18-552

AGENCY: National Science Foundation (NSF)
ITEM: Notice seeking applications to manage and operate both of the NSF-owned faces of the Advanced Modular Incoherent Scatter Radar observatories that are located at Poker Flat, AK, and at Resolute Bay, Canada.

ACTION: Step I- Pre-proposals are due May 1, 2018. Step 2- Full proposals are due October 3, 2018.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation, Agency Site
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Planetary Major Equipment and Facilities

FON:
NNH18ZDA001N-PMEF

AGENCY:
National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)

ITEM:
Notice supporting the purchase or development of new or upgraded non-flight analytical, computational, telescopic, and other instrumentation to be used in investigations in Planetary Science Division research programs. Funds support both Investigator and Facility Instrument categories. Projects must have hardware costs over $50,000.

ACTION:
Required Step-1 proposals are due by July 17, 2018. Approximately $2 million is available to support five to nine awards.

LINKS:

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FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
ROSES 2018: Rapid Response and Novel Research in Earth Science

FON:
NNH18ZDA001N-RRNES

AGENCY:
National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)

ITEM:
Notice seeking proposals for research proposals having great urgency for action involving quick-response research on natural or anthropogenic extreme events and/or similar unanticipated or unpredictable events that fall outside the norm. The research activities proposed must require rapid, near-term data acquisition, field work, and/or other such research activities. ROSES omnibus which serves a funding opportunity, filled with many individual program elements, with each program having its own due date and focus area.

ACTION:
Proposals are due March 29, 2019. The award amount and number of awards are contingent upon NSF appropriations for projects lasting up to three years.

LINKS:

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FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
ROSES 2018: SOFIA Next Generation Instrumentation

FON:
NNH18ZDA001N-54THG

AGENCY:
National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to develop an analysis of archival data from NASA space astrophysics missions by ways of the following applications: (a) theoretical research or numerical modeling; (b) existing data from ground-based telescopes, suborbital platforms, or non-NASA space missions; and/or (c) available laboratory astrophysics data. The research activities proposed fall under the ROSES omnibus, FOA filled with many individual program elements, in which each program has its own due date and focus area.

ACTION:
Step I- Optional notices of intent are due June 1, 2018. Step II-Full proposals are due August 1, 2018. Approximately $2 million is available, per year, for multiple awards to support projects lasting up to four years.

LINKS:

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MEETING:
Pesticide Program Dialogue Committee; Notice of Public Meeting

AGENCY:
Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

ITEM:
Notice announcing a public meeting of the Pesticide Program Dialogue Committee to provide advice and recommendations on issues associated with pesticide regulatory development and reform initiatives, evolving public policy and program implementation issues, and science issues associated with evaluating and reducing risks from use of pesticides.
ACTION:
The meeting will be held on May 2, 2018, from 9 am to 5 pm, ET and May 3, 2018, from 9 am to noon ET at 1 Potomac Yard South, 2777 S Crystal Drive, Arlington, VA

LINKS:

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NOTICE:
Molecular Analyzer for Efficient Gas-Phase Low-Power Interrogation (MAEGLIN Phase 2) Program

FON:
IARPA-BAA-18-04

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking comments on a draft BAA for the Molecular Analyzer for Efficient Gas-Phase Low-Power Interrogation (MAEGLIN Phase 2) Program, which intends to develop an ultra-low-power chemical analysis capability for the detection and identification of explosives, chemical weapons, industrial toxins and pollutants, narcotics, and nuclear materials in chemical environments with significant background and interferents. BAA will support two tracks: Chemical Identification, and Chemical Detection.

ACTION:
Comments are due by April 30, 2018.

LINKS:
FBO (https://www.fbo.gov/?s=opportunity&mode=form&id=dcabbcf4cedf99e62c0c35485429b1b3&tab=core&_cview=0)

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NOTICE:
Request for Recommendations for Membership on Directorate and Office Advisory Committees

AGENCY:
National Science Foundation (NSF)

ITEM:
Notice seeking recommendations for membership on its scientific and technical Federal advisory committees. Respondents will review and provide advice on program management; discuss current issues; and review and provide advice on the impact of policies, programs, and activities in the disciplines and fields encompassed by the Directorate or Office. Supported advisory boards include: Biological Sciences; Computer and Information Science and Engineering; Cyberinfrastructure; Education and Human Resources; Engineering; Geosciences; International Science and Engineering; Mathematical and
Physical Sciences; Social, Behavioral & Economic Sciences; Polar Programs; Equal Opportunities in Science and Engineering; Business and Operations; Environmental Research and Education; and Astronomy and Astrophysics.

ACTION:
Application due dates vary by committee.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Varies by committee.

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