

Office of Research Strategy and Development

Weekly Funding Opportunity Announcements Tuesday, January 22nd, 2013

Reminder: ORSD coordinates and pays for external reviews and editorial services for HSPH Assistant and Associate Professors preparing NIH grant proposals.

For more information please contact Amanda Spickard at orsd@hsph.harvard.edu or ext. 2-1711.

NIH Funding Announcements - New This Week

IMPORTANT MESSAGE: American Cancer Society Cancellation of Spring 2013 Grants Cycle

The American Cancer Society Extramural Grants program is exploring ways to more cost-effectively conduct its peer review process in order to maximize the dollars that go toward research and training and minimize the administrative costs associated with the program.

In order to fully focus on this work, the Extramural Grants program will suspend one grant cycle in the spring of 2013 (April 1 application deadline). This one-time action provides a critical opportunity for staff and volunteers to evaluate both existing grants programs and new program initiatives, and changes to the peer review process.

We plan to return to two grant cycles in 2014, and anticipate adjusting eligibility and resubmission guidelines to accommodate those applicants that will be affected by the suspension of the spring 2013 cycle.

Changes to the Extramural Grants peer review format and program are expected to be announced by July 1, 2013 – the start of the next funding cycle. Potential applicants will be able to find more information on changes to the program and new initiatives on cancer.org closer to that date.

As the nation's largest private, not-for-profit source of funds for scientists studying cancer, the American Cancer Society (ACS) focuses its funding on investigator-initiated, peer-reviewed proposals. This process ensures that scientists propose projects that they believe are ready to be tackled with the available knowledge and techniques, rather than working on projects designed by administrators who are far removed from the front lines of research. This intellectual freedom encourages discovery in areas that scientists believe are most likely to solve the problems of cancer.

New RFAs for week ending January 18th, 2013:

Announcement Number	Issuing Organization	Release Date	Opening Date (SF424 Only)	Expiration Date	Activity Code(s)	<u>Title</u>
RFA-AG-13-018	NIA	01/16/2013	02/20/2013	03/21/2013	R01	Revisions for DNA Collection from Existing Longitudinal Aging Cohorts in Africa (R01)
RFA-HD-13-002**	NICHD	01/16/2013	n/a	04/10/2013	U54	Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Research Centers 2013 (U54)
**The sponsor has limited the number of applications that institutions may submit for this award. If you are interested in applying for this opportunity, please submit a brief notice of intent to apply for this award to the HSPH Office of Research Strategy and Development (orsd@hsph.harvard.edu) by Monday, February 11 th , 2013. Based on the number of notices received, we will determine whether an internal competition/internal coordination may be needed at the School or University-level to select nominees for this award.						

RFA-MD-13-002**	NIMHD	01/16/2013	02/20/2013	03/21/2013	T37	NIMHD Minority Health and Health Disparities International Research Training (T37)
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RFA-MH-14-010	NIMH	01/16/2013	03/10/2013	04/11/2013	R43, R44	Clinical Neuroscience and Entertainment Software Pilot Partnership Program to Develop Neuropsychiatric Interventions (R43/R44)
RFA-AI-12-042	NIAID	01/15/2013	06/24/2013	07/25/2013	R01	Delivering Therapeutics to Residual Active HIV Reservoirs (R01)
RFA-AI-12-059**	NIAID	01/15/2013	n/a	06/14/2013	UM1	Autoimmunity Centers of Excellence, Clinical Research Program (UM1)

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RFA-AI-12-060**	NIAID 01/15/2013	n/a	06/14/2013	U19	Autoimmunity Centers of Excellence, Basic Research Program (U19)
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RFA-AI-13-007	NIAID 01/15/2013	RFA-AI-13-007	06/24/2013	07/25/2013	R01	Innovation for HIV Vaccine Discovery (R01)
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Other Federal Funding Announcements

Re-Release of D&I PAR

In January 2013, the Dissemination and Implementation (D&I) Research PARs which are supported by 14 NIH institutes, as well as the Office of Behavioral and Social Science Research, is planned to be re-issued (view the announcement here). We would like to share an exciting opportunity to and engage with key contacts and hear about the new changes regarding the re-issued PAR.

Two webinars will be hosted in January (details below) to offer a chance for interested investigators to ask questions and discuss any issues related to the application process and re-issued program announcements. The webinars will be led by Dr. David Chambers and key contacts for some of the other institutes. Additionally, Ross Brownson, Chair of the NIH D&I Research in Health Study Section, will be on the webinar to reflect on the review process (on January 31 date only). If you have any questions about the webinar, please contact Peyton Purcell (purcellp@mail.nih.gov).

Webinar Information

Dates of Webinar (the same information will be presented – you do not need to attend both):

- Wednesday, January 9, 2013, 3:00-4:00pm EST
- Thursday, January 31, 2013, 1:00-2:00pm EST

To Join the Webinar (on either date)

At the time of the webinar...

- For audio, call the conference line #: 1-888-791-0639 (toll-free) or 1-210-234-9648 (toll)
- Enter the Participant Passcode: 3580846 followed by # sign
- To view the slides for the call, click on (or copy and paste into your browser) the following web log-in link: https://www.mymeetings.com/nc/join.php?i=RW3301304&p=36774&t=c (this link should automatically connect to the meeting, if not, the Confirmation # is RW3301304 and the Passcode is 3580846)

NOTE: If you haven't used Microsoft Live Meeting before, you can <u>download the Live Meeting Client plug-in</u> now to test your system (if you use a Mac, you may have to select the "LiveMeeting Web Access" version instead of the "Client" version).

The announcements for the <u>current</u> D&I PAR are available at the following links (these will be updated following the re-issuance in January):

R01: http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-10-038.html R03: http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-10-039.html R21: http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-10-040.html

PCORI's inaugural innovation challenge.

We are pleased to tell you that today we officially announced the challenge- a competition to create a "matching" system or service that can connect researchers with patient partners to advance patient-centered outcomes research. The PCORI Challenge is managed for us by Health 2.0 as part of their Health 2.0 Developer Challenge series.

As you may know, PCORI believes patients, caregivers and other stakeholders should be an integral part of research. In fact, our funding announcements require applicants to include a plan for patient and stakeholder engagement throughout the research process. We hope the PCORI Challenge will help make this goal a reality.

PCORI will award cash prizes to the winning entries in two categories: one first-place prize of \$10,000 for a matching plan, and one first-place prize of \$40,000 for a working prototype of a web-based solution and/or application. A panel of reviewers, including researchers, technologists, patients and other stakeholders, will assess the entries. The submission period opens today and **the deadline for entries is 11:59 p.m. ET on April 15, 2013**. Winners will be announced at a major national health conference in spring 2013.

Learn more and register to enter the challenge at www.pcori.org/challenge/.

PCORI

PCORI recently released a <u>funding announcement</u> to support research that addresses methodological gaps in patient-centered outcomes research (PCOR).

PCORI will award \$12 million for up to 14 contracts that collaborate with patients and stakeholders advance address knowledge gaps and advance the field of comparative clinical effectiveness research.

This PCORI Funding Announcement (PFA) corresponds to PCORI's fifth priority area, Accelerating Patient-Centered and Methodological Research, from its <u>National Priorities for Research and Research Agenda</u>. The results of these studies will inform future iterations of the PCORI <u>Methodology Report</u> and its standards.

Application materials for this PFA can be downloaded from the "Funding Opportunities" section of PCORI's website. The online application system will open on December 17, 2012, and letters of intent are due January 31, 2013.

Information on all PCORI funding opportunities is available online at www.pcori.org/funding-opportunities.

PCORI: Assessment of Prevention, Diagnosis, and Treatment Options

Closing Date: March 31, 2013

PCORI: Improving Healthcare
Closing Date: March 31, 2013

PCORI: Communication and Dissemination

Closing Date: March 31, 2013

<u>PCORI: Addressing Disparities</u> Closing Date: March 31, 2013

CDC: Occupational Safety and Health Research (R01)

Closing Date: May 8, 2013

CDC: NIOSH Exploratory/Developmental Grant Program

Closing Date: September 8, 2015

CDC: NIOSH Small Research Program

Closing Date: September 8, 2015

United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) - <u>Exploratory and Developmental Grant to Improve</u> Health Care Quality Through Health Information Technology (IT) (R21)

NIH: Morris K. Udall Centers of Excellence for Parkinson's Disease Research (P50) Modification 1

Closing Date: January 23, 2013

NIH: Coordinating Center for an Undiagnosed Diseases Network (UDN) (U01)

Closing Date: February 1, 2013

Department of Defense: (FY13) Defense Medical Research and Development Program

Assistive Technologies Research Award

Program Announcement
Application Instructions

Release Date

November 30, 2012

Pre-Application (Pre-Proposal) Due Date: January 8, 2013

Application Due Date: March 13, 2013

Funding Amount

Maximum funding of \$2M for total costs (direct + indirect). Period of performance not to exceed 4 years

Internal Harvard Funding Opportunities

New** - HSPH Career Incubator Funds (CIF)

SUBMISSION INFORMATION

Deadline: March 8, 2013

Submission requirements: An electronic (PDF) copy of application; 5 page limit

Submit to: Office of Research Strategy and Development (ORSD), orsd@hsph.harvard.edu

Contact regarding questions: Amanda Spickard, Senior Associate Director, ORSD,

Phone: (617) 432-1711

OVERVIEW AND GOALS OF CAREER INCUBATOR FUND (CIF)

A key goal of the HSPH Career Incubator Fund (CIF) is to encourage and support the scientific career development of assistant and associate professors on tenure ladder at HSPH. To advance this goal, HSPH will solicit proposals for (a) Pilot Projects, or (b) Data Collection/Analysis Projects that will provide faculty the opportunity to develop their research ideas, collect pilot data, or conduct secondary data analysis to be used as pilot data. A key goal of the CIF is to maximize faculty competitiveness for extramural funding. Although not required, we are particularly interested in proposals that are interdisciplinary in nature. A key goal is to allow faculty to develop innovative and novel ideas/methods.

ELIGIBILITY

Primary HSPH assistant and associate professors who are within 3-8 years of initial appointment are eligible to apply. The goal is to support faculty whose start-up packages have ended. Faculty in their 3rd year will need to provide evidence that their start-up packages will be depleted by the start of the award period. Faculty in their 3rd year are encouraged to discuss their situation with Karen Emmons, Associate Dean for Research (orsd@hsph.harvard.edu). Please note that competitive renewal applications will not be accepted from previous Career Incubator Fund awardees.

NUMBER AND SIZE OF AWARDS

Pilot Projects: We expect to make up to two awards of \$50,000 each for one-year Pilot Projects

Data Collection/Analysis Projects: We expect to make one \$10,000 award to support a smaller Data Collection/Analysis project.

SUBMISSION PROCESS

Proposals are to be submitted directly to ORSD. They are not to go through SPA.

REVIEW PROCESS

Proposals will be reviewed by a committee of senior faculty, with broad representation across the school's three disciplinary clusters (life sciences, quantitative sciences, social/policy sciences).

PROPOSAL CONTENTS AND PAGE LIMITS

- CIF Application Summary Page
- Proposal: Maximum of 5 pages of text. Figures and references are allowable in addition to this page limit. No other
 appendix material will be accepted.
- Biosketches/Other Support: Current NIH Biosketch/Other Support for each participating investigator, including all funding sources.
- Budget Request: Budget estimates should be submitted on NIH PHS 398 budget forms with major divisions of funds
 (personnel, equipment, etc), and a brief justification. Pls may include effort and salary support commensurate with their
 effort. The full amount of the award may be used for direct costs.
- Renewal Applications
 - Please also note that applicants submitting renewals must have spent their current awards by the application deadline.
 - o If submitting a renewal application for a second year of funding, please include a 1-2 page progress report on activities completed under your current CIF award.

AWARD PERIOD

The anticipated award dates are as follows:

- December 2012 for applications submitted in October 2012
- May 2013 for applications submitted in March 2013

FINAL REPORT

A final report is due at the end of the one-year funding period. Should the PI leave the HSPH, the remainder of the award will be forfeited (i.e., may not be transferred to another institution).

New** - Harvard Catalyst - New Funding Opportunity for Collaborative Projects in Childhood Obesity

Harvard Catalyst has announced a new pilot grant opportunity for interdisciplinary collaborations focusing on the reduction and prevention of childhood obesity. Offered by Harvard Catalyst's Community Health Innovation and Research Program (CHIRP), in collaboration with Harvard Catalyst's Child Health Committee and the Health Disparities Research Program, pilot grants of up to \$100,000 are available to researchers.

Applications are due on **February 28, 2013** at 5:00pm and an information session will be held on January 22. Read more about this opportunity and apply here.

New** - RFA from the Harvard Digestive Diseases Center (HDDC) due February 1, 2013

The Harvard Digestive Diseases Center (HDDC) is accepting applications for new pilot and feasibility projects as well as continuations of current one-year projects June 1, 2013-June 30, 2014.

Pilot and Feasibility (P/F) Awards Program

The Harvard Digestive Disease Center promotes research aimed at understanding how gastrointestinal epithelial cells interact with the diverse cell types and bioactive molecules in the mucosal environment, and how these process affect intestinal function, adaptive mucosal immunity, allergy, innate host defense, acute and chronic inflammation, and microbial pathogenesis.

Another focus is to understand how epithelial and stem cells, in the intestine, liver, and pancreas function in organ physiology, organogenesis, injury, and repair. Pilot and feasibility projects will be considered for support if they relate to this mission. Eligible projects may be in areas such as:

- cell and molecular biology that relate to epithelial structure and function in the alimentary tract, liver, and pancreas;
- epithelial-microbe interactions;
- pathogenesis of enteric infectious diseases;
- host defense and vaccine development;

- epithelial cell growth and differentiation;
- stem cell biology;
- carcinogenesis; and
- smooth muscle motility, and biology of the enteric nervous system.

Please note that utilization of the HDDC Core Facilities is strongly encouraged.

Continuations of current one-year awards

Please be certain to include in the research plan a description of the progress you have made in the first year, as well as your plans for the proposed second year. Also include a paragraph summarizing your past and planned use of HDDC cores and describe any collaboration with Center investigators.

The application deadline is February 1, 2013, 5:00pm. All applications must be complied and submitted in a single PDF to joanne.mccarthy@childrens.harvard.edu. Signed originals of the face page, budget page, IACUC and/or IRB approvals will be requested if the project is approved. For more information and to apply, please visit the HDDC website

Office of Technology Development - Boehringer Ingelheim RNAi Screening Collaboration Program Deadline: January 31, 2013

http://otd.harvard.edu/faculty/BI-ICCB-L RFP Nov2012 FINAL.pdf

<u>Harvard University Center for AIDS Research, in collaboration with the Dana-Farber/Harvard Cancer Center</u>

The Harvard University Center for AIDS Research, in collaboration with the Dana-Farber/Harvard Cancer Center, is pleased to announce a Request for Proposals for feasibility pilot grants involving research collaborations in the area of HIV-associated malignancies.

Amount of award: up to \$50k direct Application due date: 2/4/2013

See the attached PDF for more information.

<u>Harvard Catalyst - Updated: KL2 Medical Research Investigator Training (MeRIT) awards – applications accepted starting December 7, 2012</u>

The Harvard Catalyst Postgraduate Education Program will soon open the application window for the KL2 Medical Research Investigator Training (MeRIT) awards, an exciting opportunity for:

- Senior fellows those who will receive their first faculty appointment within 6-12 months
- Junior faculty those within the first three years of their faculty appointment

Fellows and junior faculty from the health professions represented in Harvard Catalyst (e.g., medicine, dentistry, nursing) who are interested in pursuing rigorous training in clinical and translational research through a combined program of educational activities and mentored research are encouraged to apply.

Learn more about the impact a KL2 award can have on your research here. You can also take a look at the list of current KL2 awardees and the links to their Harvard Catalyst Profiles.

The award cycle for the 2013 round of KL2 awards has been moved forward to a new start date of July 1, 2013. Applications will be accepted starting December 7, 2012 (please note this is an update from a previous posting which noted November 9) and must be completed by March 14, 2013 by 5:00pm EST.

For more information on the program, including eligibility requirements, visit KL2 MeRIT or contact Harvard Catalyst Education Coordinator Jake Jones.

Other Funding Opportunities

New** - Healthy Eating Research: Building Evidence to Prevent Childhood Obesity-Round 8

Email

Healthy Eating Research: Building Evidence to Prevent Childhood Obesity-RWJF New Connections 2013 Call for Proposals

Deadline: July 10, 2013, 3:00 p.m. EDT

Program Area: Childhood Obesity

Purpose: Healthy Eating Research: Building Evidence to Prevent Childhood Obesity is a national program of the Robert

Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF). The program supports research on environmental and policy strategies with strong potential to promote healthy eating among children to prevent childhood obesity, especially among lower-income and racial and ethnic populations at highest risk for obesity. Findings are expected to

advance RWJF's efforts to reverse the childhood obesity epidemic by 2015.

This call for proposals (CFP) is for two types of awards aimed at providing advocates, decision-makers, and policy-makers with evidence to reverse the childhood obesity epidemic. The award types are: Round 8 grants and RWJF *New Connections* grants awarded through the *Healthy Eating Research* program. The two funding opportunities are described in more detail in the CFP.

Round 8 grants represent the majority of RWJF's investment in research through the *Healthy Eating Research* program.

Program Information:

• Call for Proposals

Overview

How to Apply: *Please read the call for proposals before applying.

Apply Online

Preview the complete application before submitting an application.

Total Awards:

• Approximately \$1.4 million will be awarded through Round 8.

Eligibility & Selection Criteria:

• Preference will be given to applicants that are either public entities or nonprofit organizations that are tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and are not private foundations or Type III supporting organizations.

Applicant organizations must be based in the United States or its territories. The focus of this
program is the United States; studies in other countries will be considered only to the extent that
they may directly inform U.S. policy.

Key Dates:

• February 13, 2013, April 24, 2013, July 10, 2013 (all by 3 p.m. ET)—Deadlines for receipt of concept papers.

April 17, 2013, June 26, 2013, and September 11, 2013 (all by 3 p.m. ET)—Deadlines for receipt of
invited full proposals, which correspond to the deadline under which the concept paper was
submitted.

• September 1, 2013, November 1, 2013, and February 1, 2014—Awards begin.

Contact: Kathy Kosiak, research coordinator

healthyeating@umn.edu Office: (800) 578-8636

http://www.healthyeatingresearch.org

New** - Healthy Eating Research: Building Evidence to Prevent Childhood Obesity-RWJF New Connections

Deadline: March 27, 2013, 3:00 p.m. EDT

Program Area: Childhood Obesity

Purpose:

Healthy Eating Research: Building Evidence to Prevent Childhood Obesity is a national program of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF). The program supports research on environmental and policy strategies with strong potential to promote healthy eating among children to prevent childhood obesity, especially among lower-income and racial and ethnic populations at highest risk for obesity. Findings are expected to advance RWJF's efforts to reverse the childhood obesity epidemic by 2015.

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RWJF *New Connections* grants awarded through the *Healthy Eating Research* program support policy-relevant research of early-career investigators from historically disadvantaged and underrepresented communities.

Program Information:

- Call for Proposals
- Overview

How to Apply: *Please read the call for proposals before applying.

- Apply Online
- Preview the complete application before submitting an application.
- Up to two RWJF New Connections grants will be awarded through the Health Eating Research program in this round of funding.

Eligibility & Selection Criteria:

- Preference will be given to applicants that are either public entities or nonprofit organizations that are tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and are not private foundations or Type III supporting organizations.
- Applicant organizations must be based in the United States or its territories. The focus of this
 program is the United States; studies in other countries will be considered only to the extent that
 they may directly inform U.S. policy.

Full eligibility and selection criteria can be found in the CFP.

Key Dates:

- March 27, 2013 (3 p.m. ET)—Deadline for receipt of concept papers.
- June 26, 2013 (3 p.m. ET)—Deadline for receipt of invited full proposals.
- November 1, 2013—Awards begin.

Contact: Laura L. Klein, MPH, research coordinator

healthyeating@umn.edu Office: (800) 578-8636

http://www.healthyeatingresearch.org

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation - New Jersey Health Initiatives-Primary Care Workforce Innovations

2013 Call for Proposals

Email

Deadline: March 14, 2013, 3:00 p.m. EDT

Program Area: Vulnerable Populations

Purpose: New Jersey Health Initiatives (NJHI), a statewide grant making program of the Robert Wood Johnson

Foundation, invites organizations to apply under *New Jersey Health Initiatives: Primary Care Workforce Innovations*, for support of proposals that seek to redesign the practice team, in the context of practice transformation, by implementing creative workforce models, using health professionals and other staff in new, more effective ways to improve access to primary care services and improve quality without increasing the costs of health care. Project funds will support the redesign of the current primary care workforce within a practice, as well as participation in a learning network focused on primary care practice redesign and

workforce development.

Program Information:

• Call for Proposals

Overview

How to Apply: *Please read the call for proposals before applying.

Apply Online

Preview the complete application before submitting an application.

Total Awards:

- Grants ranging from \$50,000 to \$150,000 each to cover a two-year period will be made.
- Up to 12 New Jersey projects will receive grants.
 - Grants will begin on October 1, 2013 and conclude on September 30, 2015.

Eligibility &

Selection

Complete eligibility and selection criteria can be found in the full Call for Proposals brochure.

Criteria:

Key Dates:

- January 29, 31 and February 14, 2013—Optional applicant Web conference calls. Registration is required. Please visit www.njhi.org for complete details and to register.
- March 14, 2013 (3 p.m. ET)—Deadline for receipt of full proposals.
- April 15, 2013—Applicants notified if they will receive a site visit.
 - May and June 2013—Site visits to selected applicants.
 - September 2013—Notification of awards.
 - October 1, 2013—Start of grants.

Contact: New Jersey Health Initiatives

info@njhi.org

Office: (856) 225-6733

www.njhi.org

<u>University of Massachusetts, Boston - Dana-Farber/Harvard Cancer Center U54 Partnership 2013</u> <u>Request for Grant Applications</u>

http://www.umb.edu/u54/applying for funding/.

REQUEST FOR GRANT APPLICATIONS

AWARD LEVELS:

A. Pilot Projects (up to \$120,000 per year for two years - Direct Costs Only)
B. Full Projects (up to \$200,000 per year for two years - Direct Costs Only)

DEADLINES & KEY DATES:

Deadline for Letter of Intent (Required): *February 1, 2013 by 11:59 PM EST Deadline for Application Submission: May 22, 2013 by 11:59 PM EST

Anticipated Award Date: September 1, 2013

Key Dates:

**Oral presentations for internal feedback: January 16, 2013

February 13, 2013 March 13, 2013 April 17, 2013

Notice of Intent to Publish Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Funding Opportunity Announcements (NOT-HS-13-003)

AHRQ intends to promote several new initiatives by publishing Funding Opportunity Announcements (FOAs) to solicit applications for research on Patient-Centered Outcomes Research (PCOR).

These projects will support PCOR efforts in many areas, including health care interventions in real world settings, advanced use of the research findings by diverse populations, development of effective patient registries and training and career development for the next generation of researchers.

This Notice of Intent to Publish several Requests for Applications is being provided to allow potential applicants sufficient time to develop meaningful collaborations and responsive projects. The FOAs are expected to be published beginning in early 2013.

For more information, please visit the following website: http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-HS-13-003.html

*<u>Limited Submission</u> - The Mary Kay Foundation - applications for the Innovative/Translational Cancer Research program

The Mary Kay Foundation^{5M} recently announced its call for applications for the Innovative/Translational Cancer Research program. Because the foundation will only accept one application from HSPH, we need to identify whether there is a need to coordinate an internal competition.

*If you are interested in applying for this award, please notify the Office of Research Strategy and Development (orsd@hsph.harvard.edu) of your intention to apply. Notices of intent must be submitted to ORSD immediately.

Please include your:

Name

Title

Department

Brief (2-3 sentence) description of your proposed area of work

Information about the Award http://www.marykayfoundation.org/Pages/CancerGrantProgram.aspx

The Mary Kay FoundationsM, a funding source for cancer research, is currently accepting applications for innovative grants for translational research in ovarian, uterine, breast, or cervical cancer.

The program will offer between ten to fifteen grants. The awards will be up to \$100,000 each (combined direct and indirect costs). The grant period is for two years. Applications must be submitted by one Principal Investigator, selected by the Institution. Only one grant application will be accepted from each accredited medical school and school of public health in the United States. Grants are limited to the United States. Application guidelines and instructions are included in this announcement.

Sponsor Deadline - Feb. 4, 2013

American Asthma Foundation - Scholars Program

A new award program for early- to mid-career scientists from all fields

The American Asthma Foundation supports highly innovative research from all fields relevant to asthma. We wish to draw outstanding investigators from other fields into the study of asthma, and most of our investigators are studying asthma for the first time. For 2013, all grants will be to investigators who are within 10 years of their first independent faculty appointment. Recipients will be designated AAF Scholars.

AWARD AMOUNT: Up to \$450,000 (\$150,000 per year for up to 3 years.) Funds for institutional overhead are not provided.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: February 6, 2013

START DATE: July 1, 2013

ELIGIBILITY:

Scientists in the United States from any relevant field are eligible. Initial independent faculty appointment should be on or after February 1, 2003.

Applicants should have an independent research program, with national-level, independent funding.

ORGANIZATION: The American Asthma Foundation is the largest private funder of asthma-related research, having awarded nearly \$100 million to scientists since 2000.

REVIEW CRITERIA: Innovation, research proposal, relevance to asthma, investigator

NOTE: The application is short (maximum 7 pages). Preliminary data are not required. FURTHER INFORMATION AT: http://americanasthmafoundation.org/

CONTACT:

Valerie Dougherty, Program Manager vdougherty@americanasthma.org William Seaman, M.D., Research Director bseaman@americanasthma.org American Asthma Foundation 4 Koret Way, LR-216 UCSF Box 0509 San Francisco, CA 94143-0509 (415) 514-0730

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Clinical Scholars 2012-2013 Call for Applications

Deadline: February 28, 2013, 5:00 p.m. EST

Program Area: Human Capital

Purpose: The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) and the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) are

collaborating to foster the development of physicians who will lead the transformation of Americans' health and health care through the *Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Clinical Scholars* program. These future leaders will conduct innovative research and work with communities, organizations, practitioners and policy-

makers to address issues essential to the health and well-being of all Americans.

Program • Call for Applications

Information:

Overview

How to Apply: *Please read the call for applications before applying.

Apply Online

Total Awards: We will select up to 20 individuals in 2013 for appointments beginning July 1, 2014. First year scholar stipend

is \$67,000 with an increase the second year. In some cases, VA stipends may be higher. Additional financial

support is provided for research projects and professional travel.

Eligibility & Selection Criteria:

To be eligible, physicians must:

- be committed to a career in academic medicine, public health, health policy or another career congruent with the program's purposes and priorities of developing physician leaders and skilled researchers:
- be highly regarded by those responsible for their clinical training;
- complete the clinical requirements of their residency training by the date of entry into the program (except for surgeons); and
- be U.S. Citizens or permanent residents. Both MDs and DOs are eligible to apply.

We embrace racial, ethnic and gender diversity and encourage applications from candidates with diverse backgrounds and clinical disciplines.

Key Dates:

- February 28, 2013 (5 p.m. ET)—Deadline for receipt of applications.
- April 12, 2013—Interviews completed.
- July 1, 2013—Notification of acceptance.
- July 1, 2014—Entry of selected scholars into the program at participating universities.

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Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Nurse Faculty Scholars - 2013 Call for Applications

Deadline: February 12, 2013, 3:00 p.m. EST

Program Area: Human Capital

Purpose: The goal of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Nurse Faculty Scholars (NFS) program is to develop the next

generation of national leaders in academic nursing through career development awards for outstanding junior nursing faculty. The program aims to strengthen the academic productivity and overall excellence of nursing schools by providing mentorship, leadership training, and salary and research support to young

faculty.

Program Information:

Call for Applications

Overview

How to Apply: *Please read the call for applications before applying.

Apply Online

Preview the complete application before submitting an application.

Total Awards: Eligibility & Selection

Criteria:

Up to 12 awards of up to \$350,000 each over three years will be available in this round of funding.

Candidates must:

- Be a registered nurse with a research doctorate in nursing or a related discipline.
- Be a junior faculty member in an accredited school of nursing with an academic position that could lead to tenure. Junior faculty are usually at the instructor or assistant professor level.
- After completing the doctorate, be in an academic position that could lead to tenure for at least two years and no more than five years at the start of the program.
- Identify at least one senior leader in the school of nursing to serve as a primary (nursing) mentor
 for academic career planning and to provide access to organizations, programs and colleagues
 helpful to the candidate's work as a scholar.
- Identify at least one senior researcher in the university with similar or complementary research
 interests to serve as a research mentor. Scholars are encouraged to select the research mentor
 from a discipline outside of nursing.
- Be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident at the time of application and must not be receiving support from other research fellowships/traineeships at the time they begin the program.
 Candidates who are permanent residents and not green card holders should contact Johns Hopkins University School of Nursing before applying to determine whether they can satisfy the program's eligibility and documentation requirements.

Full selection criteria can be found in the Call for Applications.

Key Dates:

- December 11, 2012 (1 p.m. ET) and December 19, 2012 (11 a.m. ET)—Optional applicant Web
 conference calls. Registration is required. Please visit the program's website for complete details
 and to register.
- February 12, 2013 (3 p.m. ET)—Deadline for receipt of applications.
- Mid-April 2013—Notification of semifinalist status.
- June 17–19, 2013—Semifinalist interviews with national advisory committee.
- Late June 2013—Notification of finalists.
- September 1, 2013—Appointments begin.

Contact: Applicants may send questions to: rwjfnfs@jhu.edu

The 2013 Dreyfus Prize in the Chemical Sciences

The Dreyfus Prize in the Chemical Sciences recognizes an individual for exceptional and original research in a selected area of chemistry that has advanced the field in a major way.

The 2013 Dreyfus Prize will be awarded in the field of: chemical instrumentation

The Dreyfus Prize, awarded biennially, consists of a citation, a medal, and a monetary award of \$250,000.

The nomination deadline is March 1, 2013.

For further information, see www.dreyfus.org.

The Camille and Henry Dreyfus Foundation, Inc. 555 Madison Avenue, 20th Floor, New York, New York 10022-3301

Heritage Provider Network Health Prize

http://www.heritagehealthprize.com/

More than 71 million individuals in the United States are admitted to hospitals each year, according to the latest survey from the American Hospital Association. Studies have concluded that in 2006 well over \$30 billion was spent on unnecessary hospital admissions. Is there a better way? Can we identify earlier those most at risk and ensure they get the treatment they need? The Heritage Provider Network (HPN) believes that the answer is "yes".

To achieve its goal of developing a breakthrough algorithm that uses available patient data to predict and prevent unnecessary hospitalizations, HPN is sponsoring the Heritage Health Prize Competition (the "Competition"). HPN believes that incentivized competition is the best way to achieve the radical breakthroughs necessary to begin fixing America's health care system.

The winning team will create an algorithm that predicts how many days a patient will spend in a hospital in the next year. Once known, health care providers can develop new care plans and strategies to reach patients before emergencies occur, thereby reducing the number of unnecessary hospitalizations. This will result in increasing the health of patients while decreasing the cost of care. In short, a winning solution will change health care delivery as we know it – from an emphasis on caring for the individual after they get sick to a true health care system.

The Competition runs for two years and offers a US \$3 million Grand Prize, as well as six Milestone Prizes totaling \$230,000, which are awarded in varying amounts at three designated intervals during the Competition.

Started: Monday 4 April 2011 UTC Ends: Wednesday 3 April 2013 UTC

Keystone Symposia Early Career Investigator Travel Awards (ECITA)

Keystone Symposia has now some additional funds for Early Career Investigator Travel Awards (ECITA). These awards are for Assistant Professors from designated URM backgrounds in the U.S., who are "bench" researchers. The purpose is to support their research success by providing funds for them to attend one of the Keystone Symposia research meetings (Up to \$1800).

The application may be found on-line at www.keystonesymposia.org/diversity http://www.keystonesymposia.org/diversity See ECITA.

The application process opened March 1, 2012 for all of our meetings between now and Feb 28, 2013. However, the awards will be made upon review, on a first come basis. So interested applicants should view our meetings right away at

www.keystonesymposa.org/meetings http://www.keystonesymposa.org/meetings and find a meeting of interest for which they might want to apply. The awards are made for a particular meeting.

Applicants MUST be engaged in laboratory research and focused on a career in "bench" research.

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation: Changes in Health Care Financing and Organization http://www.rwjf.org/applications/solicited/cfp.jsp?ID=19274

Changes in Health Care Financing and Organization (HCFO) supports research, policy analysis and evaluation projects that provide policy leaders timely information on health care policy, financing and organization issues. Supported projects include: 1) examining significant issues and interventions related to health care financing and organization and their effects on health care costs, quality and access; and 2) exploring or testing major new ways to finance and organize health care that have the potential to improve access to more affordable and higher quality health services. **Grants are awarded on a rolling basis; proposals may be submitted at any time.**