Office of Research Strategy and Development

Weekly Funding Opportunity Announcements Monday, April 1, 2013

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

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NIH Funding Announcements - New This Week

New RFAs for week ending March 29, 2013:

Announcement Number	Issuing Organization	Release Date	Opening Date (SF424 Only)	Expiration Date	Activity Code(s)	Title
RFA-HG-13-004	NHGRI	04/01/2013	06/17/2013	07/18/2013	U01	Genomic Medicine Pilot Demonstration Projects (U01)
RFA-FD-13-006	FDA	03/29/2013	05/01/2013	07/02/2013	U18	Food Protection Rapid Response Team (U18)
RFA-FD-13-022	FDA	03/29/2013	04/08/2013	05/11/2013	U01	Postmarketing Surveillance of Generic Drug Usage and Substitution Patterns (U01)
RFA-FD-13-028	FDA	03/29/2013	05/01/2013	07/02/2013	R18	Food Protection Task Force Improvement Project (R18)

^{**}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, April 22, 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-AA-13-003	NIAAA	03/27/2013	04/29/2013	05/30/2013	R01	Research on Comparative Effectiveness and Implementation of HIV/AIDS and Alcohol Interventions (R01)
RFA-AA-13-004	NIAAA	03/27/2013	04/29/2013	05/30/2013	R21	Research on Comparative Effectiveness and Implementation of HIV/AIDS and Alcohol Interventions

Announcement Number	Issuing Organization	Release Date	Opening Date (SF424 Only)	Expiration Date	Activity Code(s)	<u>Title</u>
						(R21)
RFA-DE-14-001	NIDCR	03/27/2013	07/15/2013	08/16/2013	R01	Functional Characterization of Oral Cancer Initiating Cells (R01)
RFA-DE-14-002	NIDCR	03/27/2013	07/15/2013	08/16/2013	R21	Functional Characterization of Oral Cancer Initiating Cells (R21)
RFA-AI-13-019	NIAID	03/26/2013	06/18/2013	07/19/2013	R21/R33	Drug Target Development and Validation for Antimicrobial- Resistant Pathogens (R21/R33)

New PARs:

Announcement Number	Issuing Organization	Release Date	Opening Date (SF424 Only)	Expiration Date	Activity Code(s)	<u>Title</u>
PA-13-165	NINR	03/29/2013	05/05/2013	05/08/2016	R01	Innovative Research Methods: Prevention and Management of Symptoms in Chronic Illness (R01)
PA-13-166	NINR	03/29/2013	05/25/2013	05/08/2016	R15	Innovative Research Methods: Prevention and Management of Symptoms in Chronic Illness (R15)
PA-13-167	NINR	03/29/2013	05/16/2013	05/08/2016	R21	Innovative Research Methods: Prevention and Management of Symptoms in Chronic Illness (R21)
PA-13-168	NIA	03/29/2013	05/05/2013	05/08/2016	R01	Secondary Analyses of Existing Data Sets and Stored Biospecimens to Address Clinical Aging Research Questions (R01)
PAR-13-164	FDA	03/29/2013	04/15/2013	06/05/2015	U18	Conformance with the Manufactured Food Regulatory Program Standards (MFRPS) (U18)

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PA-13-160	NIAAA	03/28/2013	05/05/2013	05/08/2016	R01	Alcohol Use Disorders: Treatment, Services, and Recovery Research (R01)
PA-13-161	NIAAA	03/28/2013	05/16/2013	05/08/2016	R21	Alcohol Use Disorders: Treatment, Services, and Recovery Research (R21)
PA-13-162	NIAAA	03/28/2013	05/16/2013	05/08/2016	RO3	Alcohol Use Disorders: Treatment, Services, and Recovery Research (R03)
PAR-13-163	NIDA	03/28/2013	05/12/2013	09/08/2015	K12	NIDA Mentored Clinical Scientists Development Program Award in Drug Abuse and Addiction (K12)

Other Federal Funding Announcements

*New - ACL: National Resource Center for LGBT Aging

Closing Date: April 29, 2013

*New - CDC: Promoting, Strengthening and Enhancing Disease Prevention by Collaboration with Targeted

<u>Stakeholders Grant</u> Closing Date: June 5, 2013

*New - NIH: Pilot Projects on Sports-Related Brain and Spinal Cord Injury (R03) Modification 1

Closing Date: May 14, 2013

*New - NIH: Home and Family Based Approaches for the Prevention or Management of Overweight or Obesity in

Early

Closing Date: May 7, 2016

*New - NIH: Aging Research Dissertation Awards to Increase Diversity

Closing Date: May 7, 2016

CDC: Capacity Strengthening to Support Provision of High Quality and Evidence-based HIV Prevention, Care and Treatment Services to Staff and Family Members of the Kenya Prisons Services Staff, Family Members, and Prisoners in Kenya and Program Transition to Go

Closing Date: April 16, 2013

CDC: Strengthening Human Resources for Health through Public Health Training Improvements at the Muhimbili University of Health and Allied Sciences (MUHAS), School of Public Health and Social Sciences (SPHSS) in the United Republic of Tanzania under PEPFAR Modification 1

Closing Date: April 16, 2013

CDC: National Center for HIV/AIDS, Viral Hepatitis, Sexually Transmitted Diseases and Tuberculosis Prevention,

Public Health Conference Support

Closing Date: April 30, 2013

CDC: Developing Research Capacity to Assess Health Effects Associated with Volcanic Emissions and other

Environmental Exposures
Closing Date: May 14, 2013

CDC: Establishing a Center for Public Health Training in Complex Humanitarian Emergencies Grant

Closing Date: May 25, 2013

NIH: Advancing Eating Disorders Research through Dimensional Studies of Biology and Behavior

Closing Date: June 11, 2013

NIH: Mechanism for Time-Sensitive Research Opportunities in Environmental Health Sciences

Closing Date: April 1, 2016

NIH: Understanding and Promoting Health Literacy

Closing Date: May 7, 2016

SAMHSA: Targeted Capacity Expansion: Substance Abuse Treatment for Racial/Ethnic Minority Women at High Risk

for HIV/AIDS

Closing Date: May 14, 2013

IRP: Ridge Center for National Food and Nutrition Assistance Research 2013–2014 Small Grants Program

Closing Date: April 15, 2013

CDC: Strengthening Human Resources for Health through Public Health Training Improvements at the Muhimbili University of Health and Allied Sciences (MUHAS), School of Public Health and Social Sciences (SPHSS) in the United Republic of Tanzania under PEPFAR

Closing Date: April 3, 2013

BMGF: Grand Challenges family of grant programs

Closing Date: May 7, 2013

BMGF: Reducing the Burden of Preterm Birth

Closing Date: May 7, 2013

NIH: Alzheimer's Disease Research Centers

Closing Date: June 11, 2013

NIH: Dissemination and Implementation Research in Health

Closing Date: January 7, 2016

NIH: Understanding and Promoting Health Literacy

Closing Date: May 7, 2016

RWJF: Pioneer Portfolio Releases Call for Proposals

Closing Date: April 17, 2013

NIH: NINDS Stroke Trials Network - Regional Coordinating Stroke Centers (U10)

Closing Date: May 15, 2013

NIH: Specialized Cooperative Centers Program in Reproduction and Infertility Research (U54)

Closing Date: July 25, 2013

NIH: Research on Alcohol and HIV/AIDS (R03)

Closing Date: May 7, 2016

NIH: Regional and International Differences in Health and Longevity at Older Ages (R03)

Closing Date: September 7, 2016

NIH: Obesity Policy Evaluation Research (R01)

Closing Date: May 7, 2016

SAMHSA: Expand the Use of Technology-Assisted Care in Targeted Areas of Need Grant

Closing Date: April 10, 2013

AHRQ: Grants for Health Services Research Dissertation Program (R36)

Closing Dates: May 1, August 1, and November 1, 2013

CDC: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Providing Information System Support for Training and Implementation of National HIV Monitoring Systems in the United Republic of Tanzania under the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief Grant

Closing Dates: April 3, 2013

CDC: Namibian Mechanism for Provision of Implementation Support for Evaluation and Research (PISER) under the Presidential Emergency Plan For AIDS Relief

Closing Date: April 10, 2013

CDC: Behavioral and Serological Survey (BSS) for HIV and Syphilis among Diamond Mine Workers in Angola Grant

Closing Date: April 10, 2013

NIH: Prevention and Health Promotion Interventions to Prevent Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse and Associated Physical and Psychological Health Problems in U.S. Military Personnel, Veterans and their Families

Closing Dates: May 1, 2013

NIH: School Nutrition and Physical Activity Policies, Obesogenic Behaviors, and Weight Outcomes

Closing Date: May 07, 2016

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

Department of Defense: (FY13) Peer Reviewed Orthopaedic Program

Clinical Trial Award

Release Date: February 21, 2013

Program Announcement

Application Instructions (external link)

Submission Deadline:

Pre-Application (Preproposal): April 4, 2013

Notification of Invitation to Submit an Application: Mid-May 2013

Application: July 18, 2013

Clinical Trial Development Award

Release Date: February 21, 2013

Program Announcement

<u>Application Instructions (external link)</u>

Submission Deadline:

Pre-Application (Preproposal): April 4, 2013

Notification of Invitation to Submit an Application: Mid-May 2013

Application: July 18, 2013

Translational Research Award

Release Date: February 21, 2013

Program Announcement

Application Instructions (external link)

Submission Deadline:

Pre-Application (Preproposal): April 4, 2013

Notification of Invitation to Submit an Application: Mid-May 2013

Application: July 18, 2013

Idea Development Award

Release Date: February 21, 2013

Program Announcement

Application Instructions (external link)

Submission Deadline:

Pre-Application (Preproposal): April 4, 2013

Notification of Invitation to Submit an Application: Mid-May 2013

Application: July 18, 2013

Internal Harvard Funding Opportunities

REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS

<u>Kidney Cancer Program of the Dana Farber/Harvard Cancer Center</u>
<u>Developmental Research Projects in Kidney Cancer</u>

DUE DATE: April 19, 2013

The Kidney Cancer Program of the Dana Farber/Harvard Cancer Center, under the leadership of Dr. David McDermott, seeks applications for funding of research on kidney cancer. Funding will be provided through the Specialized Program of Research Excellence (SPORE) mechanism, a National Cancer Institute sponsored program. Applications must include one investigator on the faculty at Harvard Medical School at the level of Instructor or higher. While the proposed research can be basic or clinical, bench to bedside and bedside to bench strategies need to be addressed, since the purpose of this program is to promote translational research in kidney cancer. Applications will be judged on their scientific merit, relevance to kidney cancer, potential for future translation to clinical application, qualifications of the research team and the potential fit within the overall activities of the DF/HCC Kidney Cancer Program/Kidney Cancer SPORE.

Funding will be for up to \$61,500 in total costs (inclusive of F&A) per year. Although the opportunity exists for extending funding beyond one year, proposals should, in general, focus on a year's worth of research.

Applications should be sent electronically to Tara Johnston, Program Administrator at tjohnst1@bidmc.harvard.edu no later than 4 pm on 04/19/13.

A prior track record in kidney cancer research is preferred but not necessary. Minority and women applicants are strongly encouraged to apply.

Applications must contain the following components on PHS 398 Forms:

http://grants.nih.gov/grants/funding/phs398/phs398.html

- 1. Cover letter with Title of proposal, PI, Institution and research administration contact.
- 2. Abstract of proposed research
- 3. Abbreviated Research Plan including the Specific Aims, Background and Significance, Preliminary Data, and Experimental Methods, not to exceed 5 pages exclusive of references.
- 4. Translational Goals of the project, potential application to kidney cancer and anticipated timeline (1 page)
- 5. NIH Biosketch
- 6. NIH Other Support Page
- 7. NIH Budget and Justification; must not exceed Total Costs of \$61,500
- 8. Institutional Signature provided on a Letter of Intent to Collaborate for non BIDMC proposals.
- 9. IRB approval documents (if applicable)
- 10. Human Subject Training Certificate (if applicable)

Anticipated Award Dates: 06/01/13 - 05/31/14

We anticipate being able to fund 3-4 projects for that period.

Other Funding Opportunities

**New - Clinical Research Career Development Program - K12 CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

Deadline:

Wednesday, May 1, 2013

The DF/HCC Advisory Committee is currently seeking applicants for the K12 Paul Calabresi Award for Clinical Oncology (PCACO) entitled "Clinical Research Career Development Program." Funding for two new awardees will be available retroactive to April 1, 2013

The recipients will receive annual salary support of \$100,000. Additional funds are provided for the following: (a) research expenses such as supplies, equipment, and technical personnel; (b) tuition, fees and books related to career development; (c) travel to research meetings or training; and (d) statistical services including personnel and computer time.

The recipient must devote a minimum of 75% effort to the Clinical Research Career Development Program.

The program is currently funded through March of 2018 providing up to 5 years of support for awardees.

Please see the attachment for eligibility requirements, application procedures and the information regarding the selection process.

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Roadmaps to Health Prize 2013-2014 Call for Applications

Deadline: May 23, 2013, 3:00 p.m. EDT

Program Area: Public Health

Purpose: The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) Roadmaps to Health Prize is awarded annually to

honor outstanding community efforts and partnerships that are helping people live healthier lives. Winning communities will each receive a \$25,000 cash prize and have their success stories celebrated and shared broadly with the goal of raising awareness and inspiring locally-driven

change across the country.

Program

Information:

Call for Applications

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

Apply Online

• Preview the complete application before submitting an application.

Total Awards:

Up to six *RWJF Roadmaps to Health Prize* winning communities will be honored in 2014 and each will receive a no-strings-attached \$25,000 cash prize.

Eligibility & Selection Criteria:

The RWJF Roadmaps to Health Prize is a place-based prize that honors whole communities, so community members are strongly encouraged to collaborate with one another on the application. For the purposes of this prize, "a community" must be defined as one of the following:

- Town
- City
- County

- Tribe or Tribal Community
- Region (such as contiguous towns, cities, or counties)

Communities will be asked to select primary and alternate contacts for their application. These individuals will indicate their organizational affiliation which could be a:

- Business
- Coalition
- Hospital or health care organization
- Local foundation
- Government agency or department
- School
- Social service agency

Each applicant community will be asked to designate a local governmental or tax exempt public charity to accept the \$25,000 prize on the community's behalf, should they win.

For full eligibility and selection criteria, please read the Call for Applications.

Key Dates:

- April 2, 2013 (1–2 p.m. ET)—Informational webinar. Registration is required.
- May 23, 2013 (3 p.m. ET)—Phase I Applications (for all applicant communities) due.
- June 21, 2013—Invitations extended to select applicant communities to submit Phase II Applications.
- August 1, 2013 (3 p.m. ET)—Phase II Applications (for invited communities) due.
- September 30, 2013—Invitations extended to finalist communities to receive site visits.
- October 17–December 20, 2013—Site visits with finalist communities.
- First Quarter 2014—Winners notified.
- June 2014—Winners celebration event.

Contact:

For more information on the RWJF Roadmaps to Health Prize, please contact: Kirstin Siemering, manager, RWJF Roadmaps to Health Prize, or visit the prize website noted below.

RoadmapsPrize@match.wisc.edu

Office: (608) 265-3045

http://www.countyhealthrankings.org/roadmaps/prize

American Diabetes Association Pathway to Stop Diabetes Research Awards Call for Nominations—Now Open!

Pathway is a bold new initiative to radically transform diabetes research. Our vision is simple yet revolutionary: find a new generation of brilliant scientists at the peak of their creativity and equip them with the freedom, autonomy and financial and professional resources to set them on the road to breakthrough discoveries.

Pathway awards will support exceptional, creative scientists; individuals who are early in their diabetes research careers, or who are currently in other disciplines, but are interested in applying their expertise to diabetes research for the first time.

Pathway will provide the means to conduct transformative science, including:

- Substantial, flexible financial support of \$1.625M over 5 to 7 years
- Scientific and career mentoring from distinguished leaders
- Networks for collaboration and communication

Pathway awards are by institutional nomination only. Nominations for individuals proposing innovative and transformational basic, clinical, translational, epidemiological or health services research that is relevant to any

type of diabetes, diabetes-related disease state or complication are welcomed. Nominations of candidates in diverse disciplines, from medicine, biology and chemistry to engineering, mathematics and physics, are encouraged.

To learn more about the available grant opportunities, and for nomination materials, please go to www.diabetes.org/pathway.

<u>Robert Wood Johnson Foundation - Understanding the Use and Impact of Price Data in Health</u> Care 2013 Call for Proposals

http://pweb1.rwjf.org/applications/solicited/cfp.jsp?ID=21421

Deadline: April 17, 2013, 3:00 p.m. EDT

Program Area: Quality/Equality

Purpose: This solicitation seeks to fund empirical studies with strong research designs that would

contribute to our knowledge base of the use and impact of health care price data, with the goal of providing reliable and generalizable evidence to inform policy makers and delivery system participants and to help accelerate progress toward using price information effectively. Research could focus on measuring how widely price information is used in health care, assessing awareness of price transparency on the part of consumers and providers, exploring the impact of price data on behavior by delivery system participants, and analyzing public policy

related to the use of price information in health care.

Program Information:

Call for Proposals

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

- Apply Online
- Preview the complete application before submitting an application.
- **Total Awards:** Up to \$1.45 million will be available under this CFP.
 - Project funding will range from \$100,000 to \$250,000 to accommodate studies of 12 to 24 months.
 - A maximum of ten studies will be funded.
 - Applicants will initially submit brief proposals of 4 pages or less. Successful applicants will be invited to submit a full proposal.

Eligibility & Selection Criteria:

The Foundation may give preference 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. We may request additional documentation.

Full eligibility and selection criteria can be found in the Call for Proposals.

Key Dates:

- April 17, 2013 (3 p.m. ET)—Deadline for receipt of online brief proposals.
- May 14–15, 2013—Applicants notified if they have been invited to submit a full proposal.
- June 14, 2013 (3 p.m. ET)—Deadline for receipt of online full proposals.
- **September 15, 2013**—Notification of awards.
- **December 1, 2013**—Grants start.

Contact: Please direct inquiries to:

pricedata@rwjf.org

<u>Robert Wood Johnson - Applying Behavioral Economics to Perplexing Health and Health Care</u> Challenges 2013 Call for Proposals

Deadline: April 17, 2013, 3:00 p.m. EDT

Program Area: Pioneer

Purpose: Through this solicitation, we seek innovative proposals that apply the principles and frameworks

of behavioral economics to persistent and perplexing health and health care problems. We hope to discover new interventions and insight that have potential to dramatically improve the way health care is delivered and health is promoted and preserved. We are particularly interested in supporting experiments that test innovative solutions to the challenge of reducing the use of low-value services in health care. This problem is particularly important given the rising costs and unaffordability of health care in the United States, but has been difficult to impact in part

due to perverse incentives in a fee-for-service environment.

Program Information:

Call for Proposals

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

Apply Online

Preview the complete application before submitting an application.

Total Awards:

We expect to make approximately five awards of up to \$200,000 each under this call for proposals. Projects will last for up to two years each.

Eligibility & Selection Criteria:

We encourage proposals from a range of disciplines, including, but not limited to, behavioral economics, decision theory, economics, public health, sociology, psychology, marketing, nursing and medicine. Preference will be given to applicants who are tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and are not private foundations as defined under Section 509(a).

Full eligibility and selection criteria can be found in the Call for Proposals.

Key Dates:

- March 11, 2013 (9:00–10:30 a.m.)—Informational Webinar (optional). Registration is required.
- April 17, 2013 (3:00 p.m. ET)—Deadline for receipt of 1,500-character brief proposal (description of the idea or experiment) and 1,000-character partnership plan.
- May 29, 2013—Applicants notified as to whether they have been invited to submit a full proposal.
- July 17, 2013 (3:00 p.m. ET)—Deadline for receipt of full proposals.
- Mid-September 2013—Notification of awards.
- November 15, 2013—Start of grants.

Contact:

For more information on the program and proposal submission requirements, please contact: behealth@upenn.edu

Burroughs Wellcome Fund Career Award for Medical Scientists

Each year the University Committee on Biological Sciences (UCBS) reviews applications for a number of opportunities related to the biological sciences for which the sponsors will only accept a limited number of applications from across the university. UCBS has just announced the internal application process for the Burroughs Wellcome Fund Career Award for Medical Scientists. Please see details below.

Internal UCBS Deadline: April 4, 2013

Foundation Deadline: Anticipated deadline of October 1, 2013

Number of Harvard nominations: Five. If a woman or underrepresented minority is nominated within the initial five candidates, a sixth candidate may be nominated provided that candidate is a woman or underrepresented minority

Description: The Burroughs Wellcome Career Award for Medical Scientists addresses the ongoing problem of increasing the number of physician scientists and keeping them in research. The Burroughs Wellcome Fund believes that this bridging award, supporting the last year(s) of a mentored position in addition to supporting the beginning years of an independent position, will facilitate the transition to a career in research.

Proposals may be in the areas of basic biomedical, disease oriented, translational, or molecular, genetic, or pharmacological epidemiology research. Proposals in epidemiology should contact the foundation to determine eligibility. Proposals in health services research or involving large-scale clinical trials are ineligible. Amount of support: \$700,000 over five years

Eligibility Requirements:

Applicants must:

- 1. Have an MD, DDS, DVM, PharmD, or equivalent clinical degree.
- 2. Be a clinical fellow, resident, instructor (non-tenure track), or a postdoctoral researcher and have at least 2 years of research experience by October 1, 2013. Instructors are eligible only if they were appointed on or after July 1, 2011.
- 3. Not be more than 120 months past their most recent doctorate on October 1, 2013.
- 4. Devote a minimum of one year and a maximum of two years to the postdoctoral portion of the award.
- 5. Be committed to a full-time career in research as an independent investigator.
- 6. Devote at least 75% of their time during the award period to research-related activities.
- 7. Be citizens or permanent residents of the U.S. or Canada at the time of application.

Application Instructions: See standard UCBS application form and instructions.

URL: www.bwfund.org/pages/188/Career-Awards-for-Medical-Scientists/

Additional notes: Harvard University is the nominating institution for these awards. Therefore, faculty from all Harvard schools are invited to submit applications to the UCBS. Final review/selection of applications will be conducted by the UCBS.

Burroughs Wellcome Fund Investigators in the Pathogenesis of Infectious Disease Award

Each year the University Committee on Biological Sciences (UCBS) reviews applications for a number of opportunities related to the biological sciences for which the sponsors will only accept a limited number of applications from across the university. UCBS has just announced the internal application process for the Burroughs Wellcome Fund Investigators in the Pathogenesis of Infectious Disease Award. Please see details below.

Internal UCBS Deadline: April 4, 2013

Foundation Deadline: Anticipated deadline of November 1, 2013

Number of Harvard nominations: 3

Description: The Burroughs Wellcome Investigators in the Pathogenesis of Infectious Disease Award provides opportunities for assistant professors to bring multidisciplinary approaches to the study of human infectious diseases. The goal of the program is to provide opportunities for accomplished investigators still early in their

careers to study the pathogenesis of infectious disease at its most fundamental level—the points where human and microbial systems connect. The program supports research that sheds light on the fundamentals that affect the outcomes of this encounter: how colonization, infection, commensalism and other relationships play out at levels ranging from molecular interactions to systemic ones.

Amount of support: \$500,000 over five years

Eligibility Requirements:

- 1. Candidates will generally have an MD, DVM, or PhD degree.
- Candidates must have an established record of independent research and hold the rank of assistant
 professor or equivalent as of November 1, 2013. At Harvard, instructors with a track record of
 independent research are eligible. Researchers recently appointed to a faculty position may not have a
 demonstrated track record sufficient to compete successfully for this award.
- 3. Candidates must be citizens or permanent residents of the U.S. or Canada at the time of application.

Application Instructions: See standard UCBS application form and instructions.

URL: http://www.bwfund.org/page.php?mode=privateview&pageID=105

Additional notes: Harvard University is the nominating institution for these awards. Therefore, faculty from all Harvard schools are invited to submit applications to the UCBS. Final review/selection of applications will be conducted by the UCBS.

Pew Scholars Program in the Biomedical Sciences

Each year the University Committee on Biological Sciences (UCBS) reviews applications for a number of opportunities related to the biological sciences for which the sponsors will only accept a limited number of applications from across the university. UCBS has just announced the internal application process for the Pew Scholars Program in the Biomedical Sciences. Please see details below.

Internal UCBS Deadline: April 4, 2013

Foundation Deadline: Anticipated deadline of November 1, 2013

Number of Harvard nominations: 1

Description: The Pew Scholars Program is designed to support young investigators of outstanding promise in basic and clinical sciences relevant to the advancement of human health. The award is intended to provide assured support, during their earlier years, for junior members of the faculty as they establish their laboratories. Strong proposals will demonstrate particularly innovative approaches.

Amount of support: \$60,000 per year over a four-year period

Eligibility Requirements:

Applicants must:

- be full-time at rank of Assistant Professor or "independent researcher" as of November 1, 2013.
 Individuals whose careers are sufficiently advanced to warrant appointment at the associate level will not be considered eligible.
- not have held appointment of Assistant Professor or equivalent for more than three years as of July 1, 2014 (approx. start date of award). Time spent in clinical training status does not count toward faculty appointment accumulated time.
- 3. not simultaneously be supported by similar private foundation awards in excess of \$50k for the first 2 years of Pew funding. Candidates with awards primarily providing salary, such as Research Career

Development Awards, ACS Faculty Research Awards, or institutional endowments, are not precluded from applying for/receiving a Pew.

Application Instructions: See standard UCBS application form and instructions.

URL: www.pewtrusts.org/our work category.aspx?id=194

Additional notes: Harvard University is the nominating institution for these awards. Therefore, faculty from all Harvard schools are invited to submit applications to the UCBS. Final review/selection of applications will be conducted by the UCBS.

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

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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

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.

Deadline: Wednesday 3 April 2013

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.

- There will be (9) awards for the 2013/2014 Keystone Symposia meeting season.
- The applicants must choose a scheduled meeting from March 1, 2013 through February 28, 2014 and
 have all receipts submitted for reimbursement to Keystone Symposia within 2 weeks post the end of the
 meeting.
- Reimbursement is only for registration, ground and air transportation, and lodging.
- Applications are reviewed by meeting organizers and the DLSP office.

- Awards are made based on the applicant's research question and the likelihood of getting the question answered at the meeting selected.
- All awards will be made on a "first come first served" basis.
- Award Amount: 1,950 USD. This is a reimbursement award all receipts must be submitted at one time for reimbursement.
- The application process for such awards will open March 1, 2013.
- <u>Click here</u> to download the application.

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.**

Other Announcements

Office of Research Strategy and Development Upcoming Seminar - Developing Effective Budgets and Budget Justifications for the Current NIH Funding Climate

Thursday, April 18th, 2013 9:00 – 12:00pm Kresge 110

The session is targeted to faculty members who are developing NIH grant proposals for NIH deadlines in the summer/fall of 2013 or later and will be led by Dr. Karen Emmons, Associate Dean for Research and Professor of Social and Behavioral Sciences.

If you are interested in attending, please RSVP to orsd@hsph.harvard.edu

We hope that you will be able to join us! The Office of Research Strategy and Development

HSPH Access to FAS Research Computing

Over the last year, HSPH has been cultivating a collaboration with the research computing (RC) facility at the Faculty of Arts and Science (FASRC) (http://rc.fas.harvard.edu/) with the aim of enabling HSPH researchers to

access the FAS High Performance Computing Cluster (Odyssey). We are excited to announce that FASRC is now open to all HSPH researchers in exchange for a minimal annual fee, which may be charged to grants. Effective immediately, HSPH researchers can access FASRC for a fee of \$3,000 per year per FTE. Each FTE can have only one account; access for PhD and ScD students is free. This fee will allow each account's owner to:

- 1) Access Harvard's largest research computing environment, Odyssey
- 2) Obtain a personalized letter of support from the FASRC team that may be used in grant applications to describe the FASRC environment, as well as the level of support and expertise that the FASRC team will be able to provide for that particular application
- 3) Request individual consultation to plan computational requirements, acquisition of hardware, data storage and dissemination, CPU, etc.
- 4) Access to local support at HSPH for research computing consulting

The School hopes to phase out the HSPH cluster over the next year and encourages all HSPH researchers to migrate to FASRC as soon as it is operationally feasible. Once you are registered with FASRC, you will no longer be charged for HSPH cluster costs. Your departmental administrators and grants managers will be able to provide guidance on incorporating the FASRC computing fee into your grants as well as standardized language that you can add to your budget justifications. For more information on the FASRC initiative, visit (http://rc.fas.harvard.edu/hsph-overview/)