SDHI ANNOUNCEMENTS
- SDHI Scholarship & Research in Progress (SRIP): SRIP is on break until April, 7th!

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES
- Data Resources Program 2016: Funding for Analysis of Existing Data (NIJ); Application Deadline: April 25, 2016; http://www.nij.gov/funding/Documents/solicitations/NIJ-2016-9052.pdf

- Office on Violence Against Women FY 2016 Research and Evaluation Program (DOJ); Application Deadline: May 2, 2016; https://www.justice.gov/ovw/file/833401/download

- National Quality Improvement Center on Tailored Services, Placement Stability and Permanency for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Questioning (LGBTQ) Children and Youth in Foster Care (ACF); Application Deadline: May 17, 2016; https://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/foa/view/HHS-2016-ACF-ACYF-CW-1126


- The Pediatric Cancer Research Foundation; Application Deadline: May 1, 2016; http://www.pcrf-kids.org/site/c.bjJULdNRjkL4H/b.8483009/k.FD62/Grant_Cycle__Levels.htm

  - Basic Research Science or "PCRF Laboratory" Grant.
  - Translational Research Grant.
  - Emerging Investigator Fellowship Grant.
  - Designated Grant Program.

- William T Grant Foundation Distinguished Fellows; Application Deadline: May 5, 2016; http://wtgrantfoundation.org/grants/william-t-grant-distinguished-fellows

- NIDDK Program Projects (P01); LOI Deadline: six weeks prior to application due date; Application Deadline: standard dates apply; http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-16-127.html

- The Application of Big Data Analytics to Drug Abuse Research (R01)(NIH, NIDA); LOI Deadline: 30 days prior to the application due date; Application Deadline: standard dates apply; http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-16-119.html

- Using the NIMH Research Domain Criteria (RDoC) Approach to Understand Psychosis (NIMH); Application Deadline: standard dates apply.


- Portland State University Institute for Sustainable Solutions; Application Deadline: April 11, 2016;
  • Category 1 Grants (https://www.pdx.edu/sustainability/category-1-faculty-led-grants).

CALLS FOR ABSTRACTS AND PAPERS
- The Call for Abstracts: The 23rd NIMH MHSR 2016 Conference: Harnessing Science to Strengthen the Public Health Impact; Submission Deadline: May 6, 2016 (submitted to: MHSR16@mail.nih.gov); Questions? Please contact Janet Sorrells, at jsorrell@mail.nih.gov.

WORKSHOPS, LECTURES, AND CONFERENCES
- 2016 Research and Evaluation Conference on Self-Sufficiency (RECS); June 1-3, 2016 - Washington, DC; http://www.cvent.com/events/2016-research-and-evaluation-conference-on-self-sufficiency/event-summary-88cea6e55c5c402a96f3b88c8c464b2b.aspx

- “Sacred Salmon: Restoring the Balance” - Native American Employee Resource Group; Wednesday 12 to 1 pm, March 30, 2016; OHS University Hospital 8B60 Auditorium; www.ohsu.edu/diversity

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The purpose of the Research and Evaluation (R&E) Program is to research and evaluate approaches to combating domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence, and stalking.

National Quality Improvement Center on Tailored Services, Placement Stability and Permanency for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Questioning (LGBTQ) Children and Youth in Foster Care (ACF); Application Deadline: May 17, 2016; https://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/foa/view/HHS-2016-ACF-ACYF-CW-1126

The purpose of this funding opportunity announcement is to establish, by awarding a cooperative agreement, one National Quality Improvement Center (QIC) that will conduct 4-6 projects in partnership with state child welfare systems to produce a dedicated system of successful supports and interventions that specifically support the permanency and stability of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning (LGBTQ) youth in the child welfare system.


The purpose of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to invite applications for support of drug abuse doctoral dissertation research.

The Pediatric Cancer Research Foundation; Application Deadline: May 1, 2016; http://www.pcrf-kids.org/site/c.bjULdNRJkL4H/b.8483009/k.FD62/Grant_Cycle__Levels.htm
  • Basic Research Science or “PCRF Laboratory’ Grant. This type of grant primarily funds basic science, translational and/or clinical state of the art pediatric cancer research initiatives. This grant can be awarded over multiple years and up to $250,000/year.
  • Translational Research Grant. This type of grant primarily funds new research protocols and therapies that hold promise for improved outcomes and accelerates cures from the laboratory bench to the bedside of children and teens with high-risk cancers. This Grant will be given to a
program that involves open, multi-institutional cancer clinical trials, or consortia, and implements new approaches to therapy. This award may provide up to $100,000 per year and can be for multiple years.

- **Emerging Investigator Fellowship Grant.** These grants are designed to support Post-Doctoral Fellowships and Clinical Investigator training for emerging pediatric cancer researchers to pursue exciting research ideas. Applicants must have completed two years of their fellowship, or not more than two years as a junior faculty instructor or assistant professor at the start of the award period. These grants encourage and cultivate the best and brightest researchers of the future. Awards will provide up to a maximum of $50,000 per year and can be renewed annually.

- **Designated Grant Program.** Funds projects in communities or regions local to the specific donor or fundraising activity. Outside contributing organizations, fundraisers and donors work with the Foundation to identify a specific project, focus on a specific disease type, facility or awareness program. Grants can be for any specific amount as designated by the donor or contributing organization.

**William T Grant Foundation Distinguished Fellows;** Application Deadline: May 5, 2016; [http://wtgrantfoundation.org/grants/william-t-grant-distinguished-fellows](http://wtgrantfoundation.org/grants/william-t-grant-distinguished-fellows)

Up to $175,000 between six months and two years. Funds research that increases the understanding of programs, policies, and practices that reduce inequality in youth outcomes, as well as strategies that improve the use of research evidence in ways that benefit youth ages 5-25 in the U.S.


This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) invites submission of investigator-initiated program project applications. The proposed programs should address scientific areas relevant to the NIDDK mission including diabetes, selected endocrine and metabolic diseases, obesity, digestive diseases and nutrition, and kidney, urologic and hematologic diseases, as well as new approaches to prevent, treat and cure these diseases, including clinical research.

**The Application of Big Data Analytics to Drug Abuse Research (R01)(NIH, NIDA);** LOI Deadline: 30 days prior to the application due date; Application Deadline: standard dates apply; [http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-16-119.html](http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-16-119.html)

The purpose of this FOA is to encourage the application of Big Data analytics to reveal deeper or novel insights into the biological and behavioral processes associated with substance abuse and addiction. NIDA recognizes that to accelerate progress toward understanding how the human brain and behavior is altered by chronic drug use and addiction, it is vital to develop more powerful analytical methods and visualization tools that can help capture the richness of data being generated from genetic, epigenetic, molecular, proteomic, metabolomic, brain-imaging, micro-electrode, behavioral, clinical, social, services, environmental studies as well as data generated from electronic health records. Applications for this FOA should develop and/or utilize computational approaches for analyzing large, complex datasets acquired from drug addiction research. The rapid increase of technologies to acquire unprecedented amounts of neurobiological and behavioral data, and an expanding capacity to store those data, results in great opportunity to bring to bear the power of the computational methods of Big Data analytics on drug abuse and addiction.

**Using the NIMH Research Domain Criteria (RDoC) Approach to Understand Psychosis (NIMH);** Application Deadline: standard dates apply.


NIMH seeks applications which propose research studies that will use the NIMH's Research Domain Criteria (RDoC) framework to advance scientific understanding of neurobehavioral mechanisms related to psychotic symptoms (hallucinations, delusions, disorganized behavior, and thought disorder).

The National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) announces the availability of NIH Dissertation Award grants (R36) to support drug abuse doctoral dissertation research in NIDA areas of priority (http://www.drugabuse.gov/funding/funding-priorities). Areas of focus include research on basic and clinical neuroscience and behavior, developmental trajectories, epidemiology, prevention, treatment, services, and/or women and sex/gender differences. Grant support is designed to encourage doctoral candidates from a variety of academic disciplines and programs to conduct research in these areas of interest to NIDA. It is hoped that this program will ultimately facilitate the entry of promising new investigators into the field of drug abuse research and promote transdisciplinary collaborations.


The purpose of the Disability and Rehabilitation Research Projects and Centers Program is to plan and conduct research, demonstration projects, training, and related activities, including international activities, to develop methods, procedures, and rehabilitation technology that maximize the full inclusion and integration into society, employment, independent living, family support, and economic and social self-sufficiency of individuals with disabilities, especially individuals with the most severe disabilities, and to improve the effectiveness of services. The purpose of NIDILRR’s ARRT program, which is funded through the Disability and Rehabilitation Research Projects and Centers Program, is to provide advanced research training and experience to individuals with doctorates, or similar advanced degrees, who have clinical or other relevant experience. ARRT projects train rehabilitation researchers, including researchers with disabilities, with particular attention to research areas that support the implementation and objectives of the Rehabilitation Act, and that improve the effectiveness of services authorized under the Rehabilitation Act. ARRT projects must provide advanced research training to eligible individuals to enhance their capacity to conduct high-quality multidisciplinary disability and rehabilitation research to improve outcomes for individuals with disabilities in NIDILRR’s major domain of health and function.

Portland State University Institute for Sustainable Solutions; Application Deadline: April 11, 2016; https://docs.google.com/a/pdx.edu/forms/d/1w1kXiE63JkuXSqm9ZazXuhDwOviaAvMs0QglCZkCY/viewform

PSU’s ISS is offering sustainability grants this spring to PSU faculty members for use in advancing research, education and community partnerships.

- Category 1 Grants (https://www.pdx.edu/sustainability/category-1-faculty-led-grants): Provide funding in amounts of $1,000 to $6,000 for a wide spectrum of potential faculty support, from professional development to the application of sustainability research into new sustainability practices and policies in the world.
- Category 2 Grants (https://www.pdx.edu/sustainability/category-2-faculty-led-grants): Provide funding in amounts of $40,000 to $80,000. They are focused on current regional urban sustainability issues and emphasize partnerships with governments, businesses and nonprofit organizations outside the university.

In order to apply, faculty members must become ISS Faculty Fellows, which can be accomplished by filling out a simple online form.

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MHSR 2016 seeks to highlight scientific investigative efforts to improve population mental health through high-impact mental health services research, consistent with NIMH Strategic Research Priorities (see Strategic Objective 4: Strengthen the Public Health Impact of NIMH-Supported Research). We are soliciting abstracts for individual papers, symposia, posters, and technology demonstrations.

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The 2016 RECS will provide a valuable opportunity to gather in D.C. and hear the latest findings from evaluations of social welfare programs and policies, discuss ways to incorporate findings into the design and implementation of programs, and develop strategies for future evaluations. The conference will focus on programs, policies and services that support low-income and vulnerable families on the path to economic self-sufficiency and well-being.

“Sacred Salmon: Restoring the Balance” - Native American Employee Resource Group (OHSU); Wednesday 12 to 1 pm, March 30, 2016; OHS University Hospital 8B60 Auditorium; www.ohsu.edu/diversity

The Tribes of the Columbia River Basin are leaders in the protection of salmon in the Pacific Northwest. As sovereign nations, they are uniquely positioned to strengthen the fisheries via habitat protection and restoration, and through supplementation hatcheries. Additionally, the Tribes have actively contributed to policy making on the cleanup of contamination at Portland Harbor and other regional sites. In his presentation, Dr. Lambert will show a video produced by the Tribes and describe a community-university research project that addressed Tribal concerns about toxins present in salmon and other subsistence fish, and the potential risks posed to health. Dr. Lambert is the Associate Director of the OHSU Center for Healthy Communities, a CDC-funded Prevention Research Center that focuses on the development of interventions to reduce chronic disease in American Indian and Alaska Native populations.

Hosted by the OHSU Native American Employee Resource Group (NAERG) in collaboration with the Center for Diversity & Inclusion and the Center for Healthy Communities. Everyone is invited to attend.

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The Child Welfare Outcomes Report provides information on national performance as well as the performance of individual states in seven outcome categories: Reduce recurrence of child abuse and/or neglect; Reduce the incidence of child abuse and/or neglect in foster care; Increase permanency for children in foster care; Reduce time in foster care to reunification without increasing reentry; Reduce time in foster care to adoption; Increase placement stability; Reduce placements of young children in group homes or institutions.