

Memorandum

To: Delegates, Tribal Health Directors, and Tribal Chairs

From: Michelle Edwards, Grants Administrator

Date: August 13, 2010

RE: Monthly Funding Report

Enclosed is the August 2010 Monthly Funding Report. If you would like assistance with any of these announcements, please do not hesitate to contact Michelle Edwards at (503) 228-4185 ext. 274 or medwards@npaihb.org.

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Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ)

www.ahrq.gov/

PAR-10-168 AHRQ Small Research Grant Program (R03)

Due Date: February 16th, June 16th, and October 16th (Expires: March 17, 2014)

Amount: \$100,000 (total costs) for up to two years

Description: This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) encourages Small Research Grant (R03) applications, and expresses AHRQ portfolio priority areas of interest for ongoing small research projects. The R03 grant mechanism supports different types of health services research projects including pilot and feasibility studies; secondary analysis of existing data; small, self-contained research projects; development of research methodology; and research technology.

For more information visit: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-10-168.html>

PA-09-071 AHRQ Health Services Research Demonstration and Dissemination Grants (R18)

Due Date: February 5th, June 5th, and October 5th (Expires: January 8, 2012)

Amount: \$500,000 annually for up to 5 years (total costs)

Description: This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) solicits Large Research Demonstration and Dissemination (R18) Projects, and expresses AHRQ portfolio priority areas of interest for these ongoing, extramural grants.

For more information visit: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-09-071.html>

PA-09-070 AHRQ Health Services Research Projects (R01)

Due Date: February 16th, June 16th, and October 16th (Expires: January 8, 2012)

Amount: \$500,000 annually for up to 5 years (total costs)

Description: This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) solicits Large Research (R01) Projects, and expresses AHRQ portfolio priority areas of interest for ongoing extramural health research, demonstration, and evaluation grants.

For more information visit: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-09-070.html>

PAR-08-268 Small Research Grant to Improve Health Care Quality through Health Information Technology (R03)

Due Date: February 16th, June 16th, and October 16th (Expires: November 17, 2011)

Amount: \$100,000 over a maximum project period of up to two years

Description: The purpose of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to support a wide variety of research designs in order to improve the quality, safety, effectiveness, and efficiency of health care through the implementation and use of health IT. These designs include: small pilot and feasibility or self-contained health IT research projects; secondary data analysis of health IT research; and economic (prospective or retrospective) analyses of health IT implementation and use. Through economic analyses estimates of health IT implementation and use costs and benefits will be generated. Research Focus Areas 1) Health IT to improve the quality and safety of medication management via the integration and utilization of medication management systems and technologies; 2) Health IT to support patient-centered care, the coordination of care across transitions in care settings, and the use of electronic exchange of health information to improve quality of care; 3) Health IT to improve health care decision making through the use of integrated data management.

For more information visit: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-08-268.html>

Health Resources and Service Administration (HRSA)

<http://www.hrsa.gov/grants/>

HRSA-11-017 New Access Points

Due Date: November 17, 2010

Amount: See Announcement

Description: The Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) administers the Health Center Program, as authorized by section 330 of the Public Health Service (PHS) Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 254b). Health centers improve the health of the Nation's underserved communities and vulnerable populations by assuring access to comprehensive, culturally competent, quality primary health care services. Health Center Program grants support a variety of

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community-based and patient-directed public and private nonprofit organizations and continue to serve an increasing number of the Nation's underserved.

For more information or questions contact Pamela Byrnes at pbyrnes@nachc.com or 860-739-9224 or visit:
<https://grants.hrsa.gov/webexternal/FundingOppDetails.asp?FundingCycleId=450970E7-563E-4D2D-A021-5C775F7F614E&ViewMode=EU&GoBack=&PrintMode=&OnlineAvailabilityFlag=True&pageNumber=1>

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)
<http://www.cdc.gov/od/pgo/funding/FOAs.htm>

PS09-906: Capacity Building Assistance to Improve the Delivery and Effectiveness of Human Immunodeficiency Virus Prevention Services for High-risk and/or Ethnic Minority Populations.

Due Date: See RFA

Amount: See RFA

Description: The purpose of this new program is to build the capacity of organizations to operate optimally and to provide evidence-based interventions and public health strategies that can help reduce the burden of HIV infection among high-risk and/or racial/ethnic minority populations within the U.S. and its Territories. This will be accomplished via a competitive process to award cooperative agreements to non-governmental organizations to provide CBA to: (1) community-based organizations (CBOs), including faith-based organizations (FBOs); (2) community stakeholders providing HIV prevention services targeting high-risk and/or racial/ethnic minority populations, and (3) health departments and community planning groups.

For more information visit: <http://www.cdc.gov/hiv/topics/funding/PS09-906/>

National Institute of Health (NIH)
www.nih.gov/

PA-10-064 NIH Small Research Grant Program (Parent R03)

Due Date: February 16th, June 16th, and October 16th (Expires: January 8, 2013)

Amount: See Announcement

Description: The National Institutes of Health (NIH) Investigator-Initiated Small Grant (R03) funding opportunity supports small research projects that can be carried out in a short period of time with limited resources. Investigator-initiated research, also known as unsolicited research, is research funded as a result of an investigator submitting a research grant application to NIH in an investigator's area of interest and competency. All investigator-initiated small grant applications described in this announcement will be assigned to NIH Institutes and Centers (ICs) according to standard Public Health Service (PHS) referral guidelines and specific program interests. Investigators are strongly encouraged to consult the list of participating ICs and special research interests. The R03 grant mechanism supports different types of projects including pilot and feasibility studies; secondary analysis of existing data; small, self-contained research projects; development of research methodology; and development of new research technology. The R03 is intended to support small research projects that can be carried out in a short period of time with limited resources.

For more information visit: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-10-064.html>

PA-10-069 NIH Exploratory Developmental Research Grant Program (Parent R21)

Due Date: February 16th, June 16th, and October 16th (Expires: January 8, 2013)

Amount: See Announcement

Description: The National Institutes of Health (NIH) Exploratory/Developmental Grant (R21) funding opportunity supports the development of new research activities in categorical program areas. (Support generally is restricted in level of support and in time.) Investigator-initiated research, also known as unsolicited research, is research funded as a result of an investigator submitting a research grant application to NIH in an investigator's area of interest and competency. All investigator-initiated exploratory/developmental applications described in this announcement will be assigned to NIH Institutes and Centers (ICs) according to standard Public Health Service (PHS) referral guidelines and specific program interests. Investigators are strongly encouraged to consult the list of participating ICs and special research interests. The Exploratory/Developmental Grant (R21) mechanism is intended to encourage exploratory and

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developmental research projects by providing support for the early and conceptual stages of these projects. These studies may involve considerable risk but may lead to a breakthrough in a particular area, or to the development of novel techniques, agents, methodologies, models, or applications that could have a major impact on a field of biomedical, behavioral, or clinical research.

For more information visit: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-10-069.html>

PA-10-067 Research Project Grant (Parent R01)

Due Date: February 5th, June 5th, and October 5th (Expires: January 8, 2013)

Amount: See Announcement

Description: The Research Project Grant (R01) is an award made to an institution/organization to support a discrete, specified, circumscribed project to be performed by the named investigator(s) in areas representing the specific interests and competencies of the investigator(s). The R01 research plan proposed by the applicant institution/organization must be related to the stated program interests of one or more of the NIH Institutes and Centers (ICs) based on descriptions of their programs. All research project grant applications described in this announcement will be assigned to NIH ICs according to standard Public Health Service (PHS) referral guidelines and specific program interests.

Investigators are encouraged to consult the participating NIH ICs and their Web sites (see <http://www.nih.gov/icd>).

For more information visit: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-10-067.html#SectionIII>

PA-08-241 Reducing Risk Behaviors by Promoting Positive Youth Development (R01)

Due Date: February 5th, June 5th, and October 5th (Expires: September 8, 2011)

Amount: See Announcement

Description: This purpose of this Funding Opportunity Announcement is to encourage Research Project Grant (R01) applications from institutions/ organizations that propose to enhance our understanding of effective positive youth development programs and the mechanisms responsible for positive health and developmental outcomes. This will be accomplished through the development, implementation, and evaluation of new or improved positive youth development programs, the evaluation of existing successful programs, or the evaluation of effective, evidence-based, gender-inclusive programs that are adapted, translated, or disseminated for new populations of youth and adolescents.

For more information visit: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-08-241.html>

PA-08-242 Reducing Risk Behaviors by Promoting Positive Youth Development (R03)

Due Date: February 16th, June 16th, and October 16th (Expires: September 8, 2011)

Amount: See Announcement

Description: This purpose of this Funding Opportunity Announcement is to encourage Research Project Small (R03) Grant applications from institutions/ organizations that propose to enhance our understanding of effective positive youth development programs and the mechanisms responsible for positive health and developmental outcomes. These studies may include the evaluation of particular components of new or existing youth development programs thought to be responsible for positive development; the examination of child and adolescent assets, behaviors, and development that influence positive youth trajectories; and the evaluation of family, community, or social assets and liabilities that contribute to or hamper youth development. Investigators and/or colleagues should have a strong knowledge of child development. The R03 grant mechanism supports a variety of projects including pilot and feasibility studies; secondary analysis of existing data; small, self-contained research projects; development of research methodology; and development of new research technology. The R03 small grant mechanism is intended to support small scale research projects that can be carried out in two years or less with limited resources.

For more information visit: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-08-242.html>

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Community-Based Partnerships for Childhood Obesity Prevention and Control: Research to Inform Policy (R03)

Due Date: February 16th, June 16th, and October 16th (Expires: May 8, 2012)

Amount: \$250,000 over 2 years (direct)

Description: The purpose of this funding opportunity announcement (FOA) issued by the NICHD is to enhance childhood obesity research by fostering the formation of local, state, or regional teams consisting of researchers, policymakers, and other relevant stakeholders (e.g., community representatives, public health practitioners or officials, educators) in order to identify research questions and hypotheses, design and implement the relevant research, and translate the research into evidence relevant to potential policy efforts in this area. The R03 grant mechanism supports different types of projects including pilot and feasibility studies; secondary analysis of existing data; small, self-contained research projects; development of research methodology; and development of new research technology. The R03 is intended to support small research projects that can be carried out in a short period of time with limited resources.

For more information visit: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-09-140.html#SectionII>

PAR-08-270 Utilizing Health Information Technology (IT) to Improve Health Care Quality (R18)

Due Date: February 5th, June 5th, and October 5th (Expires: May 8, 2011)

Amount: Total costs are limited to \$1.2 million over three years and no more than \$500,000 total costs in a given year

Description: The purpose of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to support health information technology (IT) demonstration projects that evaluate factors associated with successful implementation and utilization of health IT in order to improve the quality, safety, effectiveness and efficiency of health care in ambulatory settings and in the transitions between care settings. The use of health IT has been demonstrated to improve health care in various large health care delivery systems. Yet, there has been limited diffusion and evaluation of the implementation and utility of health IT in ambulatory care settings and in transitions between care settings.

For more information visit: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-08-270.html>

PAR-08-268 Small Research Grant to Improve Health Care Quality through Health Information Technology (IT) (R03)

Due Date: February 16th, June 16th, and October 16th (Expires: November 17, 2011)

Amount: Total costs are limited to \$100,000 over a maximum project period of up to two years

Description: The purpose of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to support a wide variety of research designs in order to improve the quality, safety, effectiveness, and efficiency of health care through the implementation and use of health IT. These designs include: small pilot and feasibility or self-contained health IT research projects; secondary data analysis of health IT research; and economic analyses of health IT implementation and use.

For more information visit: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-08-268.html>

PA-08-253 Unique Interactions between Tobacco Use and HIV/AIDS (R01)

Due Date: February 5th, June 5th, and October 5th (Expires: January 8, 2012)

Amount: See Announcement

Description: The purpose for this FOA issued by the National Institute on Drug Abuse and the Fogarty International Center encourages Research Project Grant (R01) applications from institutions/organizations that propose to stimulate research related to the unique, interactive health effects of cigarette smoking and HIV/AIDS.

For more information visit: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-08-253.html>

PAR-08-268 Improve Health Care Quality through Health Information Technology (R03)

Due Date: February 16th, June 16th, and October 16th (Expires: November 17, 2011)

Amount: \$100,000 over a maximum project period of up to two years

Description: The purpose of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to support a wide variety of research designs in order to improve the quality, safety, effectiveness, and efficiency of health care through the implementation and use of health IT. These designs include: small pilot and feasibility or self-contained health IT research projects; secondary data analysis of health IT research; and economic (prospective or retrospective) analyses of health IT implementation and use. Through economic analyses estimates of health IT implementation and use costs and benefits will be generated.

For more information visit: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-08-268.html>

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PA-08-263 Health Services Research on the Prevention and Treatment of Drug and Alcohol Abuse

Due Date: See Announcement for standard R01, R21, and R03 submission dates (Expires: January 7, 2012)

Amount: \$750,000

Description: This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) issued by the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) and the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA) encourages Research Project Grant (R01) applications on health services research to improve the quality of prevention and treatment services for drug and alcohol abuse. Such research projects might emphasize any of the following subjects: (1) clinical quality improvement; (2) organizational/managerial quality improvement; (3) systems of care and collaborative research; or (4) development or improvement of research methodology, analytic approaches, and measurement instrumentation used in the study of drug and alcohol services.

For more information visit: (R01) <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-08-263.html>; (R21) <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-08-264.html>; (R03) <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-08-265.html>

PAR-08-261 Research on Emergency Medical Services for Children (R01)

Due Date: Letters of Intent Due: August 19, 2009; August 15, 2010

Applications Due: September 19, 2009; September 15, 2010

Amount: See Announcement

Description: This multi-agency program Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is designed to improve the quality and quantity of research related to emergency medical services for children (EMSC), with the goal of reducing morbidity and mortality in children through improved care delivery. This FOA invites the submission of applications dealing with the following areas of research included under the term EMSC: prevention research to reduce the need for emergency care; clinical research to ensure that children receive high-quality and appropriate medical, nursing and mental health care in an emergency; health systems research, from pre-hospital care, to the emergency department, to in-patient care and return to the community; models to improve service and cost efficiency in pediatric emergency care; and methodological studies to improve the quality of research conducted.

For more information visit: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-08-261.html>

PA-08-253 Unique Interactions between Tobacco Use and HIV/AIDS (R01)

Due Date: See Announcement for standard R01 and R03 submission dates (Expires: January 1, 2012)

Amount: See Announcement

Description: Purpose. The purpose for this FOA issued by the National Institute on Drug Abuse and the Fogarty International Center encourages Research Project Grant (R01) applications from institutions/organizations that propose to stimulate research related to the unique, interactive health effects of cigarette smoking and HIV/AIDS. -Mechanism of Support. This FOA will utilize the NIH Research Project Grant (R01) grant mechanism and runs in parallel with a FOA of identical scientific scope, PA-08-254, that encourages applications under the Small Research Grant (R03) award mechanism.

For more information visit: (R01) <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-08-253.html>
(R03) <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-08-254.html>

PA-08-125 Epidemiology of Drug Abuse

Due Date: See Announcement

Amount: See Announcement

Description: This funding opportunity announcement (FOA) encourages exploratory/developmental research projects to expand the application of drug abuse epidemiologic research focused on understanding the nature, extent, consequences, and etiology of drug abuse across individuals, families, age groups, gender, communities, and population groups. This FOA will utilize the NIH Exploratory/Developmental (R21) award mechanism and runs in parallel with an FOA of identical scientific scope, PA-08-124, that encourages applications under the R01 mechanism, and PA-08-126, that encourages applications under the R03 mechanism.

For more information visit: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-08-125.html>

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PA-08-255 Functioning of People with Mental Disorders (R01)

Due Date: February 5th, June 5th, and October 5th (Expires: September 7, 2011)

Amount: See Announcement

Description: Although considerable advances have been made in improving the symptoms associated with mental disorders, symptom improvement is often only modestly associated with improvements in daily functioning (i.e., the performance of social, occupational, and instrumental tasks of daily living), and most current treatments have limited impact on the functioning and participation of those with mental disorders. The purpose of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA), issued by the National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH), is the application of bio-behavioral science methods and approaches to: a) develop and refine definitions and measures of function, disability, and daily participation relevant to those with mental disorders; b) understand the ecological mechanisms, independent of symptom severity, that contribute to functioning and disability in this population; and c) develop and test novel interventions that specifically and directly target functional capacity and performance deficits of this population. Emphasis will be on the application of basic behavioral processes (e.g., cognition, affect, knowledge, attitudes, motivation, learning, decision-making, interpersonal processes), and environmental parameters (e.g., social support, structural adaptations, community involvement) that influence functional outcome.

For more information visit: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-08-255.html>

PA-07-391 Reducing Health Disparities among Minority and Underserved Children

Due Date: February 5th, June 5th, and October 5th (Expires: September 8, 2010)

Amount: R21 (\$275,000 direct)

Description: This Funding Opportunity Announcement solicits applications from institutions/organizations that propose to conduct research to reduce health disparities among minority and underserved children. Specifically, this initiative focuses on ethnic and racial minority children and underserved populations of children such as: children from low literacy, rural and low-income populations, geographically isolated children, hearing and visually impaired children, physically or mentally disabled children, children of migrant workers, children from immigrant and refugee families, and language minority children. Specific targeted areas of research include bio-behavioral studies that incorporate multiple factors that influence child health disparities such as biological (e.g., genetics, cellular, organ systems), lifestyle factors, environmental (physical and family environments), social (e.g., peer influences), economic, institutional, and cultural and family influences; studies that target the specific health promotion needs of children with a known illness and/or disability; and studies that test and evaluate the cost effectiveness of health promotion interventions conducted in nontraditional settings.

For more information visit: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-391.html>

PA-07-391 Reducing Health Disparities among Minority and Underserved Children

Due Dates: February 16th, June 16th, and October 16th (Expires September 8, 2010)

Amount: \$275, 000 (R21)

Description: Specifically, this initiative focuses on ethnic and racial minority children and underserved populations of children such as: children from low literacy, rural and low-income populations, geographically isolated children, hearing and visually impaired children, physically or mentally disabled children, children of migrant workers, children from immigrant and refugee families, and language minority children. Specific targeted areas of research include bio-behavioral studies that incorporate multiple factors that influence child health disparities such as biological (e.g., genetics, cellular, organ systems), lifestyle factors, environmental (physical and family environments), social (e.g., peer influences), economic, institutional, and cultural and family influences; studies that target the specific health promotion needs of children with a known illness and/or disability; and studies that test and evaluate the cost effectiveness of health promotion interventions conducted in nontraditional settings.

For more information visit: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-391.html>

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The Oregon Community Foundation

<http://www.ocf1.org/>

Community Grants and Early Childhood Programs

Due Dates: See Website

Amount: See Website gaping

Description: Community Grants: As a responsive arm of OCF, the Community Grants program awards about 200 grants each year, mostly to small and moderate-sized nonprofits. Our belief is that meeting a broad range of locally-identified needs helps nonprofits improve the quality of life in their communities. The Community Grant program supports nonprofits that engage their communities in solving local problems. Preference is given to programs that (1) demonstrate a close fit with OCF funding priorities, (2) are preventive rather than remedial, and (3) have community support both in terms of volunteers and dollars. Grant proposals range from modest short-term projects and specific, one-time capital expenses to extended projects that promise long-term benefits for Oregon. Early Childhood Program: Through the Early Childhood Program, OCF supports: early literacy and parenting programs, scholarships for early childhood training and education, initiatives to improve child care quality, research on key early childhood issues and strategies, and forums for information sharing.

For more information visit: <http://www.oregoncf.org/receive/grants/grant-opportunities/community-grants>

The Washington Health Foundation

<http://www.whf.org/>

Due: Deadlines: March 7 and August 1

Amount: \$1,000 to \$15,000

Description: 1) Health Homes for All; Young Adults Next When a person and their family has a trusted relationship with a knowledgeable health partner, and this results in timely receipt of proven preventive care, the development of a personal wellness plan, and the compilation of all health records in a single location” 2) Healthy Eating & Active Living In today’s society, our lack of opportunity for daily exercise and the convenience of unhealthy foods have led to an epidemic of obesity and preventable chronic diseases. 3) Closing the Health Disparities Gap Health disparities are differences in the incidence or prevalence of health risk factors, illnesses, injuries, deaths or receipt of health services between sub-groups within the population. In Washington, these disparities are prominent between racially, ethnically, economically and educationally disadvantaged individuals and others. 4) Improving Public Health Performance and Capacity State and local public health agencies need clear performance measures to make the most of efforts to re-build their infrastructure for emergency preparedness, control of infectious diseases, environmental health, public health assessment, as well as prevention and treatment of chronic diseases.

For more information visit: <http://www.whf.org/Grants/HSINGrants.aspx>

American Cancer Society (ACS)

<http://www.cancer.org/docroot/home/index.asp>

Research Scholar Grants in Basic, Preclinical, Clinical and Epidemiology Research

Due Date: April 1st and October 15th

Amount: Awards are for up to four years and for up to \$200,000 per year (direct costs), plus 20% indirect costs.

Description: Support investigator-initiated research projects in basic, preclinical, clinical and epidemiologic research.

For more information visit: http://www.cancer.org/docroot/RES/RES_0.asp

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University of Washington

Institute of Translational Health Sciences (ITHS)

American Indian/Alaska Native Community Award

Due: September 8, 2010

Amount: \$25,000 and the award requires in-kind contributions that must equal or surpass the requested budget amount

Description: The goal of the American Indian/Alaska Native Community Award is to enhance bi-directional collaborative relationships between communities and academic researchers. Funds are provided for a pilot study that is likely to lead to a future full-scale grant proposal.

For more information visit: <http://www.iths.org/funding/communitypilots>

Regional Native American Community Networks – Community Grants, Small

Due Date: On a rolling basis and there are no deadlines

Amount: \$750

Description: American Indians and Alaska Natives in the targeted 8 states experience disparities in cancer-directed awareness and care compared to other racial/ethnic groups, and are less likely to survive cancer. As part of a grant provided by the National Cancer Institute, the Regional Native American Community Networks Program is seeking to increase cancer-related projects that promote education, prevention, and treatment targeting American Indians and Alaska Natives. The Community Networks Program is seeking applications from community organizations, groups, or individuals to encourage the participation of Tribal communities and Native-focused organizations in these endeavors.

For more information:

Grant Inquiries and questions regarding this Community Grant application or process, please contact one of the following staff members: Rose James, PhD rdjames@u.washington.edu (206)543-6297; Gail Harrell Colfax gharrell@u.washington.edu (206)543-3268

The Health Trust

<http://www.healthtrust.org/>

Good Samaritan and Health Partnership Grants

Due: Applications accepted on an ongoing basis

Amount: See Announcement

Description: Good Samaritan Grants are designed to provide short-term funding for grass roots health, prevention, and wellness activities. These grants are awarded in amounts up to \$25,000, and are distributed twice a year to community-based organizations, as well as public and nonprofit health providers. Good Samaritan Grants improve access to health, prevention and wellness services and/or health education for underserved populations in Santa Clara and Northern San Benito Counties. Health Partnership Grants: are made to non-profits and are for medically related services, delivered by the hospitals or by community based organizations. These grants seek to foster long-term improvements in community health by funding innovative and effective programs and models of care that have a high potential for obtaining sustainable operating support and significantly improving the quality of life of service beneficiaries. They may provide multiple years of funding, with no specified maximum grant amount. In order to provide maximum leverage, these grants often emphasize disease management and prevention for medically underserved in our community.

For more information visit: <http://www.healthtrust.org>

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The Gerber Foundation

<http://www.gerberfoundation.org/>

Pediatric Health

Due: Grant awards are approved in May and November. Initial letters of inquiry are accepted at any time but should be submitted no later than 5 months prior to these award dates. For the May round submit letters prior to December 1; for the November submit letters prior to June 1.

Amount: See Announcement

Description: The Gerber Foundation provides funding for national programs which have a significant impact on issues facing infants and young children, pre-birth to age 3.

For more information visit: <http://www.gerberfoundation.org/Default.htm>

W.K. Kellogg Foundation

www.wkkf.org/

Health Grants

Due Date: See Announcement

Amount: See Announcement

Description: Health programming at the Kellogg Foundation focuses explicitly on improving individual and community health, and improving access to and the quality of health care. Our current goal is to promote health among vulnerable individuals and communities through programming that empowers individuals, mobilizes communities, engages institutions, improves health care quality and access, and informs public and marketplace policy. Grant making takes into account the social and economic determinants of health within a person's community, the quality of health institutions within that community, and the policies that determine how health services are organized, provided, and financed.

For more information visit: www.wkkf.org

Myer Memorial Trust (MMT)

www.mmt.org/

General Purpose Grants

Due: See Announcement

Amount: See Announcement

Description: General Purpose Grants support projects related to arts and humanities, education, health, social welfare, community development, the environment and a variety of other activities. Proposals may be submitted at any time under this program, and there are no limitations on the size or duration of these grants.

For more information visit: <http://www.mmt.org/>

The Paul G. Allen Family Foundation

www.pgafoundations.com/

Grant Programs

Due: Letters of inquiry (LOIs) February 1st and July 8th

Amount: See website

Description: The mission of the Paul G. Allen Family Foundation is to transform lives and strengthen communities by fostering innovation, creating knowledge, and promoting social progress. The following are priority program areas:

- Arts and Culture Program
- Community Development and Social Change Program
- Education and Youth Engagement Program
- Science and Technology Innovation Program

For more information visit: <http://www.pgafoundations.com/default.aspx>

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Public Welfare Foundation

www.publicwelfare.org/

General Grants Program

Due Date: (LOI Required) See Announcement

Amount: See Announcement

Description: The Foundation's grant making emphasizes support for organizations that include service, advocacy, or empowerment in their approach, with particular interest in efforts that combine two or all three of these elements. Service is vital to remedy specific problems, with successful service programs often being the catalyst for more widespread action through advocacy. Advocacy addresses those specific problems in a systemic way through changes in public policy at the local, state, national, or international levels to broaden the impact of the Foundation's grant making.

For more information visit: http://www.publicwelfare.org/first_time/online_application.asp

The M. J. Murdock Charitable Trust

www.murdock-trust.org/

Health and Human Service, Scientific, and Education Grants

LOI: Required

Due Date: On a rolling basis and there are no deadlines

Amount: Varies by program

Description: The Trust's mission is to enrich the quality of life in the Pacific Northwest by providing grants to organizations that seek to strengthen the region's educational and cultural base in creative and sustainable ways. Education: Projects and programs primarily educational in purpose offered in both formal and informal settings. Emphasis is placed on program enhancement or expansion and new approaches consistent with the institution's mission and resources. Scientific Research: Projects and programs in the natural sciences in which acquisition of new knowledge is the main objective. Training of students in conducting research is an important consideration. Health and Human Services: Projects and programs designed to enhance the quality of life in the region. The Trust supports efforts to preventively meet the physical, spiritual, social, and psychological needs of people, with an emphasis on youth.

For more information visit: <http://www.murdock-trust.org/>

The Allstate Foundation

<http://www.allstate.com/foundation/>

Safe and Vital Communities and Economic Empowerment Grants

Due Date: On a rolling basis and there are no deadlines

Amount: Varies by program

Description: The Allstate Foundation supports national and local programs that fit within three focus areas. Proposals for program support must address needs within one of the three focus areas to be considered for funding: Safe and vital communities Programs should address: 1) Catastrophe response; 2) Youth anti-violence; 3) Neighborhood revitalization; 4) Teen safe driving Economic empowerment Programs should address: 1) Financial and economic literacy; 2) Insurance education; 3) Empowerment for victims of domestic violence Tolerance, inclusion and diversity.

For more information visit: <http://www.allstate.com/Community/PageRender.asp?Page=funding.html>

Commonwealth Fund

www.commonwealthfund.org/

Commonwealth Health Grants

Due: Applications accepted on an ongoing basis

Amount: See Announcement

Description: The mission of The Commonwealth Fund is to promote a high performing health care system that achieves better access, improved quality, and greater efficiency, particularly for society's most vulnerable, including people with low-incomes, the uninsured, minority Americans, young children, people with disabilities, and the elderly. The Fund

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carries out this mandate by supporting independent research on health care issues and making grants to improve health care practice and policy. An international program in health policy is designed to stimulate innovative policies and practices in the United States and other industrialized countries. The Commonwealth Fund actively seeks to support projects on innovative approaches to addressing problems within its areas of focus, working in partnership with professionals and organizations in a range of fields.

NIH Changes

**The Peer Review Enhancement Initiative
Effective January 25, 2010**

Changes at NIH

These changes affect ALL competing application: new, renewal, resubmission, and revisions as of January 25, 2010. For complete detail visit: http://enhancing-peer-review.nih.gov/restructured_applications.html

Scoring

To improve the transparency of the scoring process:

- Before a review meeting, assigned reviewers will score applications on the five review criteria (Significance, Investigator(s), Innovation, Approach, and Environment) using a scale of 1-9 (1 = exceptional; 9 = poor).
- Each assigned reviewer will also provide a preliminary overall score using the new 1-9 scale.
- At the meeting, discussed applications will receive an overall score from each eligible (i.e., without conflicts of interest) panel member and these scores will be averaged, multiplied by 10. The possible **priority scores** will thus range from 10-90.

Critiques

To improve the quality of the critiques and to focus reviewer attention on the review criteria:

- Before the review meeting, in addition to preliminary scoring, assigned reviewers will provide written critiques of the application through an electronic template that will prompt for strengths and weaknesses for each criterion.
- After the meeting, the critiques will be compiled into a summary statement that will be shorter and more focused than current summary statements due to standardized organization and reporting of strengths and weaknesses.
- Discussed applications also will have a summary of the panel's discussion at the meeting.
- All application will receive criterion scores in addition to the reviewers' critiques to help applicants assess whether or not they should submit an amended application.
- NIH has decreasing the number of resubmissions (i.e., amendments) permitted from two to one.

Shorten and Restructure Applications

- Restructured application
 - **Research Plan:**
 - Specific Aims: will include new language about the impact that the results of the proposed research will exert; page limit will remain at 1 page
 - Research Strategy: will be created as a new section and will include 3 of the current sections – Background and Significance, Preliminary Studies, and Research Design and Methods
 - **Resources:** The facilities and other resources section will be changed to require a description of how the scientific environment will contribute to the probability of success of the project, unique features of the

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environment, and for Early Stage Investigators, specifically the institutional investment in the success of the investigator.

- **Biographical Sketch:** New instructions require a Personal Statement and also provide guidelines for the inclusion of references, limiting the list to no more than 15 (nothing submitted or under review).
- New instructions including **shorter page limits** – the page limits for the new Research Strategy section generally will be 6 or 12 pages (with an additional 1 page for Specific Aims), according to the chart below. As always, if the FOA requires page limits that differ from the application instructions, the FOA page limits should be followed.

Current Page Limit (Sections 2-5 of the Research Plan)	<u>New Page Limits</u> (Research Strategy)
< 25	6
25	12
> 25	<i>Follow FOA Instructions</i>

Enhanced Review Criteria

- **Overall Impact.** Reviewers will provide an overall impact score to reflect their assessment of the likelihood for the project to exert a sustained, powerful influence on the research field(s) involved, in consideration of the following five core review criteria, and additional review criteria (as applicable for the project proposed).
- **Core Review Criteria.** Reviewers will consider each of the five review criteria below in the determination of scientific and technical merit, and give a separate score for each. An application does not need to be strong in all categories to be judged likely to have major scientific impact. For example, a project that by its nature is not innovative may be essential to advance a field.
 - **Significance.** Does the project address an important problem or a critical barrier to progress in the field? If the aims of the project are achieved, how will scientific knowledge, technical capability, and/or clinical practice be improved? How will successful completion of the aims change the concepts, methods, technologies, treatments, services, or preventative interventions that drive this field?
 - **Investigator(s).** Are the PD/PIs, collaborators, and other researchers well suited to the project? If Early Stage Investigators or New Investigators, do they have appropriate experience and training? If established, have they demonstrated an ongoing record of accomplishments that have advanced their field(s)? If the project is collaborative or multi-PD/PI, do the investigators have complementary and integrated expertise; are their leadership approach, governance and organizational structure appropriate for the project?
 - **Innovation.** Does the application challenge and seek to shift current research or clinical practice paradigms by utilizing novel theoretical concepts, approaches or methodologies, instrumentation, or interventions? Are the concepts, approaches or methodologies, instrumentation, or interventions novel to one field of research or novel in a broad sense? Is a refinement, improvement, or new application of theoretical concepts, approaches or methodologies, instrumentation, or interventions proposed?
 - **Approach.** Are the overall strategy, methodology, and analyses well-reasoned and appropriate to accomplish the specific aims of the project? Are potential problems, alternative strategies, and benchmarks for success presented? If the project is in the early stages of development, will the strategy establish feasibility and will particularly risky aspects be managed?
If the project involves clinical research, are the plans for 1) protection of human subjects from research

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risks, and 2) inclusion of minorities and members of both sexes/genders, as well as the inclusion of children, justified in terms of the scientific goals and research strategy proposed?

- **Environment.** Will the scientific environment in which the work will be done contribute to the probability of success? Are the institutional support, equipment and other physical resources available to the investigators adequate for the project proposed? Will the project benefit from unique features of the scientific environment, subject populations, or collaborative arrangements?
- o **Additional Review Criteria.** As applicable for the project proposed, reviewers will consider the following additional items in the determination of scientific and technical merit, but will not give separate scores for these items.
- **Protections for Human Subjects.** For research that involves human subjects but does not involve one of the six categories of research that are exempt under 45 CFR Part 46, the committee will evaluate the justification for involvement of human subjects and the proposed protections from research risk relating to their participation according to the following five review criteria: 1) risk to subjects, 2) adequacy of protection against risks, 3) potential benefits to the subjects and others, 4) importance of the knowledge to be gained, and 5) data and safety monitoring for clinical trials.
 - **Inclusion of Women, Minorities, and Children.** When the proposed project involves clinical research, the committee will evaluate the proposed plans for inclusion of minorities and members of both genders, as well as the inclusion of children.
 - **Vertebrate Animals.** The committee will evaluate the involvement of live vertebrate animals as part of the scientific assessment according to the following five points: 1) proposed use of the animals, and species, strains, ages, sex, and numbers to be used; 2) justifications for the use of animals and for the appropriateness of the species and numbers proposed; 3) adequacy of veterinary care; 4) procedures for limiting discomfort, distress, pain and injury to that which is unavoidable in the conduct of scientifically sound research including the use of analgesic, anesthetic, and tranquilizing drugs and/or comfortable restraining devices; and 5) methods of euthanasia and reason for selection if not consistent with the AVMA Guidelines on Euthanasia.
 - **Resubmission Applications.** When reviewing a Resubmission application (formerly called an amended application), the committee will evaluate the application as now presented, taking into consideration the responses to comments from the previous scientific review group and changes made to the project.

Great Websites to Search for Funding, Other Info, etc.

Grants.gov

http://www.grants.gov/applicants/find_grant_opportunities.jsp

Indian Health Service (grants page)

http://www.ihs.gov/NonMedicalPrograms/gogp/index.cfm?module=gogp_funding

Rural Assistance Center

<http://www.raconline.org/>

Philanthropy Resource Directory

http://www.topfoundationgrants.com/lma_topgrants/directory/

Federal Register

<http://www.gpoaccess.gov/fr/index.html>

National Council of University Research Administrators (NCURA)

<http://www.ncura.edu/resources/agencies.htm>