
Application Due Date(s) February 1, May 1, August 1, and November 1 annually, beginning November 1, 2015, by 5:00 PM local time of applicant organization. Applicants are encouraged to apply early to allow adequate time to make any corrections to errors found in the application during the submission process by the due date. Applications for dissertation research grants must be responsive to AHRQ’s mission, which is to produce evidence to make health care safer, higher quality, more accessible, equitable and affordable, and to work within HHS and with other partners to make sure that the evidence is understood and used. Within the mission, AHRQ’s specific priority areas of focus are:

- Improve health care quality by accelerating implementation of Patient Centered Outcomes Research (PCOR)
- Make health care safer
- Increase accessibility by evaluating expansions of insurance coverage
- Improve health care affordability, efficiency and cost transparency

The research sponsored and conducted by the Agency develops and presents scientific evidence regarding all aspects of health care in the United States. It addresses issues of organization, delivery, financing, utilization, patient and provider behavior, outcomes, effectiveness and cost. It evaluates both clinical services and the system in which these services are provided. These scientific results improve the evidence base to enable better decisions about health care, including such areas as disease prevention, appropriate use of medical technologies, improving diagnosis and treatment in cost-effective ways, long-term care, and reducing disparities based on race, ethnicity, gender, or socioeconomic status. AHRQ welcomes any area of health services research relevant to AHRQ's priority areas as a dissertation project topic. AHRQ research priority areas are described at [http://www.ahrq.gov/funding/policies/foaguidance/index.html](http://www.ahrq.gov/funding/policies/foaguidance/index.html).

The direct costs awarded to a grant under this FOA will not exceed $40,000 for the entire project period, which must be a minimum of nine months and may not to exceed 17 months from the time of award. Facilities and Administrative (F&A) costs (i.e., overhead or indirect costs) are limited to 8% of modified total direct costs. [AHRQ Health Services Research Projects: Making Health Care Safer in Ambulatory Care Settings and Long Term Care Facilities (R01)](http://www.ahrq.gov/funding/policies/foaguidance/index.html).

**Project Scope**

This FOA highlights two research areas of interest -- ambulatory care settings and long term care facilities -- with a specific research focus on understanding and eliminating disparities in patient and resident safety. For the purpose of this announcement, ambulatory care settings include all non-hospital settings except for ambulatory surgery and dialysis centers as these settings typically provide highly specialized acute care rather than a broad array of services that are comprehensive in scope and require a high degree of continuity and coordination among practitioners. Emergency room settings are also not considered ambulatory care settings. Long term care facilities include nursing homes, assisted living and residential care homes, and home care. Researchers focused on patient safety in other health care settings are encouraged to review and consider submitting an application to the AHRQ Agency-wide R01, R18 or R03 program announcement FOA's (PA-14-291, PA-14-290 or PAR-15-147, available at [http://www.ahrq.gov/funding/fund-opps/index.html](http://www.ahrq.gov/funding/fund-opps/index.html)). The intent of the current FOA is to support projects focused on ambulatory care settings and long term care facilities.

**Specific areas of interest for this FOA include:**

- Epidemiologic studies of patient safety such as incidence studies of the various domains of medical errors and subsequent adverse events that occur in different types of ambulatory care settings;
- Factors (human, system, and other) that contribute to medical errors;
- Evidence-based studies of intervention strategies that can improve patient safety at different levels of the health care system:
  - The role of patient and caregiver behaviors in improving patient safety;
  - The role of provider-patient interactions in improving patient safety;
  - The role of the community and health care system in improving patient safety;
Approaches for improving coordination, continuity of care and patient safety;
Creation of evidence-based tools to facilitate implementation of these strategies;
Studies to better understand the extent of disparities in patient safety in ambulatory care settings;
Factors that may contribute to these disparities and strategies and tools needed to eliminate disparities;
Studies examining transitions between settings of care and strategies for ensuring patient safety;
Projects that contribute to the improvement of systems of care in nursing homes and other long term care facilities that help prevent adverse events. Studies may focus on systems that affect prevention across multiple adverse events as well as studies that target a specific adverse event type such as falls, pressure ulcers, infections, or medication errors. In addition, the studies may involve new or existing technologies that are designed or adapted to improve the ability of staff and caregivers to prevent adverse events, for example using electronic health records to improve preventive practices. Studies may also use current low technology approaches that provide new tools for staff and caregivers to improve prevention;
Studies that take new evidence based strategies and demonstrate or study alternative approaches to integrating or adapting these new processes and structures into day-to-day service delivery;
Studies that demonstrate the ability to spread new evidence-based systems that prevent adverse events are also encouraged;
Studies that develop systems to improve coordination of care when long term care residents transition temporarily outside the facility;
Studies to better understand the extent of disparities in resident safety in long term care settings, factors that may contribute to these disparities and strategies and tools needed to eliminate disparities;
Studies examining transitions between long term care facilities and inpatient and outpatient settings.

Funding mechanism is grant with $500,000 annual budget inclusive of direct and indirect for five years, total budget may not exceed $1,500,000.

**Agency for Healthcare Research & Quality (AHRQ)**

CFDA No.:93.226 GRC No.:2813 Contact: James Cleeman Program Director at 301/427-1330
Description: Supports large Health Services Research Demonstration and Dissemination Projects (R18) and research (R01) focused on prevention, reduction, and effective management of healthcare-associated infections (HAIs)-infections acquired during the course of receiving treatment for other conditions within a healthcare setting. R18 awards support determination of clinical efficacy and effectiveness of preventive interventions, and assessment of relevant epidemiological aspects of HAIs. Annual deadlines: 1/25, 5/25, 9/25. Expires 9/26/16. See [http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-12-240.html](http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-12-240.html) for R18 details. Email: james.cleeman@ahrq.hhs.gov

**Allen Foundation** Dec 31st annually
The connections between diet and health remain a basic and primary priority, and consideration has always been given to projects that benefit nutritional programs in the areas of education, training, and research.
[https://www.allenfoundation.org/default.asp](https://www.allenfoundation.org/default.asp)
American Orthopaedic Society for Sports Medicine Accepting Applications for Osteoarthritis Studies

Applications must be received no later than 1/1/16. The award notice will be made on or after 4/15/16, with a start date of 6/1/16.

Through the AOSSM/Sanofi Biosurgery Osteoarthritis grant program, AOSSM will award one grant of $50,000 to support either a clinical research study or a lab/basic science project. To be eligible, the project team must include at least one AOSSM member in good standing. The American Orthopaedic Society for Sports Medicine, in partnership with Sanofi Biosurgery, is accepting applications from research projects related to early osteoarthritis and/or the prevention of OA progression. Preference will be given to studies that evaluate potential chondroprotective interventions in animal models of osteoarthritis. Projects need not relate specifically to sports injuries and should also have broad applicability to OA in the general population. Projects involving viscosupplementation will not be considered. Contact: Sue Serpico, email: sue@aossms.org. For more information see http://www.sportsmed.org/Research/Research_Grants/Grants/AOSSM-Sanofi_Biosurgery_Osteoarthritis_Grants/

American College Health Foundation Invites Applications for Aetna Student Health Award

DEADLINE: 1/31/16.

$ AVAILABLE: One or more grants of $5,000.
ELIGIBILITY: Only campus health professionals who are ACHA individual members or employed at an ACHA member institution are eligible to apply. If an applicant is not an individual member but is employed at a member institution, the institution’s ACHA representative must also sign the application.
PURPOSE: The American College Health Foundation, the charitable arm of the American College Health Association, is accepting applications for its 2016 Aetna Student Health Award. Through the annual program, one or more grants will be awarded to support the creation of novel wellness solutions and programs that address issues specifically related to the retention and overall well-being of college students. Using dimensions of wellness, the project must demonstrate a creative evidence-based approach to facilitate student retention and well-being. The project should be creative in its scope, formulated on the basis of published research, measurable in its effects, and applicable to the health enhancement of college students who participate in it. Award recipients will be announced at the 2016 ACHA annual meeting, May 31 - June 4, 2016, in San Francisco. CONTACT: Marthea J. Proudfoot, (410) 914-5575, email: mproudfoot@acha.org. For more information see http://www.acha.org/ACHA/Foundation/Aetna_Award.aspx

Texas State University is an American College Health Foundation member.
American College Health Foundation Seeks Applications for Campus Health Initiatives

DEADLINE: 1/31/16.

$ AVAILABLE: Up to two recipients will be awarded grants of $3,000, which will be announced at the 2016 ACHA annual meeting, May 31 - June 4, 2016, in San Francisco.

ELIGIBILITY: Only campus health professionals who are American College Health Association individual members or employed at an ACHA member institution are eligible to apply. If an applicant is not an individual member but is employed at a member institution, the institution’s ACHA representative must also sign the application.

PURPOSE: The American College Health Foundation, the charitable arm of the American College Health Association, is accepting applications from initiatives that foster positive Health Campus 2020 outcomes for the campus community.

ACHA’s Healthy Campus 2020 serves as a framework for improving the health of all students, faculty, and staff on campuses across the country. Strategies recommended in Healthy Campus 2020 guidelines extend beyond traditional interventions. Healthy Campus 2020 resources includes ten-year national objectives for students and faculty/staff, an action model that incorporates an ecological approach, and a toolkit for implementation based on the MAP-IT (mobilize, assess, plan, implement, and track) framework. Priority consideration will be given to proposals that result in sustained mobilization and engagement of campus partners to achieve the goals of Healthy Campus 2020.

CONTACT: Marthea J. Proudfoot, (410) 914-5575, email: mproudfoot@acha.org. For more information see http://www.acha.org/ACHF/HC2020_award.cfm

Texas State University is an American College Health Foundation member.

American Respiratory Care Foundation: September 1st – December 31st annually

The ARCF provides research grants through three different programs as outlined below:

http://www.arcfoundation.org/awards/

**NBRC/AMP H. Frederic Helmholz, Jr., MD Educational Research Fund** $5,000 annually, grant is directed towards processes and methodologies related to education and credentialing of respiratory care practitioners.

**Parker B. Francis Respiratory Research Grant** $10,000 annually, funds are available to provide financial assistance for research programs dealing with respiratory care and related topics.

**Jerome M. Sullivan Research Fund** $10,000 annually, fund was established to stimulate original research contributions by respiratory care practitioners to the body of knowledge comprising respiratory care.

**Autism Speaks**: Trailblazer Award Program up to $100,000, no deadline

The Trailblazer Award mechanism supports highly novel “out of the box” autism-relevant research that open new avenues to understanding the causes, diagnosis, subtyping, prevention, treatments, and cure of autism spectrum disorders. The Trailblazer Award mechanism is designed to fund small investigator-initiated high risk/high impact projects that are potentially transformative, paradigm shifting, and/or will overcome significant roadblocks in autism research within a 12 month period.

Commonwealth Fund: rolling deadline applications accepted year-round
The Fund supports independent research on health and social issues and makes grants to improve health care practice and policy. We are dedicated to helping people become more informed about their health care and improving care for vulnerable populations such as children, the elderly, low-income families, minorities, and the uninsured. http://www.commonwealthfund.org/

**Board Grants** - greater than $50,000 average award $200,000
**Small Grants** - less than $50,000 average award $34,000

Department of Defense: FY16 Broad Agency Announcement for Extramural Medical Research: W81XWH-16-R-BAA1 DEADLINE: 9/30/16. CFDA: 12.420; LOI Required

$ AVAILABLE: Please see URL for funding information. Up to $500,000 which is inclusive of direct and indirect costs.

ELIGIBILITY: Unrestricted -- open to any type of entity.

PURPOSE: The U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command’s (USAMRMC) mission is to provide solutions to medical problems of importance to the American Service member at home and abroad, as well as to the general public at large. The scope of this effort and the priorities attached to specific projects are influenced by changes in military and civilian medical science and technology, operational requirements, military threat assessments, and national defense strategies. The extramural research and development programs play a vital role in the fulfillment of the objectives established by the USAMRMC. General information on USAMRMC can be obtained at https://mrmc.detrick.army.mil/. This Fiscal Year 2016 (FY16) Broad Agency Announcement (BAA) is intended to solicit extramural research and development ideas and is issued under the provisions of the Competition in Contracting Act of 1984 (Public Law 98-369), as implemented in Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 6.102(d)(2) and 35.016. In accordance with FAR 35.016, projects funded under this BAA must be for basic and applied research and that part of development not related to the development of a specific system or hardware procurement.

Projects must be for scientific study and experimentation directed toward advancing the state-of-the-art or increasing knowledge or understanding rather than focusing on a specific system or hardware solution. Research and development funded through this BAA is intended and expected to benefit and inform both military and civilian medical practice and knowledge. Research Areas of interest include: 1. Military Infectious Diseases; 2. Combat Casualty Care; 3. Military Operational Medicine; 4. Clinical and Rehabilitative Medicine; 5. Medical Biological Defense; 6. Medical Chemical Defense; 7. Medical Simulation and Information Sciences; 8. Radiation Health Effects; 9. Applied Innovation in Military Medicine (AiMM) and 10. Research and Development of Devices or Technologies. CONTACT: CDMRP Help Desk, (301) 682-5507, email: help@eBRAP.org. For more information see http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-grants.html?keywords=W81XWH-16-R-BAA1

Department of Defense: Peer Reviewed Orthopaedic Program, Deadline: 12/8/2015 Deadline refers to required pre-application 11/5/15. Contact: Program Staff 301/619-7079

Description: Program addresses the leading burden of injury and loss of fitness for military duty by funding innovative, high-impact, clinically relevant research to advance optimal treatment and rehabilitation from musculoskeletal injuries sustained during combat or combat-related activities. Current award mechanism includes: Orthopaedic Care and Rehabilitation Consortium Award (11/5/15). See http://cdmrp.army.mil/funding/prorp.shtml for details. Email: help@eBRAP.org.

Episcopal Health Foundation: average $100,000 no deadline
The Episcopal Health Foundation works to spread the benefits of transformative practices throughout the Diocese by investing in innovative strategies that help communities and organizations address the variety of factors that contribute to healthy societies. Funding is limited to 57 counties served by Episcopal Diocese of Texas which includes Williamson, Travis and Bastrop counties. Priorities are to support comprehensive community-based primary care, increase access to health services, support mental health and wellness, enhance early childhood development, support capacity building, facilitate healthy planning, and strengthen collective impact. http://www.episcopalhealth.org/en/grant-making/how-apply-grant/
Ford Foundation Fellowships Program for 2016

The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine is accepting applications for the 2016 Ford Foundation Fellowships Programs for Achieving Excellence in College and University Teaching. Full eligibility information and online applications are available on our website at: http://nationalacademies.org/ford

Eligibility Requirements:

- U.S. citizens, nationals, permanent residents, or individuals granted deferred action status under the DACA program
- Planning a career in teaching and research at the college or university level in a research-based field of science, social science or humanities

Stipends and Allowances and Application Deadline Dates:

- Predoctoral--$24,000 per year for three years; due November 20, 2015
- Dissertation--$25,000 for one year; due November 13, 2015
- Postdoctoral--$45,000 for one year; due November 13, 2015

Awardees have expenses paid to attend one Conference of Ford Fellows. Approximately 60 predoctoral, 30 dissertation, and 20 postdoctoral fellowships sponsored by the Ford Foundation and administered by the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering and Medicine.

For Further information please contact:
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Washington, DC 20001
Phone: 202.334.2872
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Nursing Workforce Diversity (NWD) Program: HRSA-16-064 DEADLINE: 11/16/15. CFDA: 93.178

$ AVAILABLE: $4 million for 12 awards.

ELIGIBILITY: Eligible applicants include accredited schools of nursing, nursing centers, academic health centers, state or local governments, and other private or public entities determined appropriate by the Secretary. Faith-based organizations, community-based organizations, and tribes and tribal organizations that are otherwise eligible can apply for these funds. Individuals are not eligible to apply.

PURPOSE: This announcement solicits applications for the Nursing Workforce Diversity (NWD) program. Program Purpose: The NWD program increases nursing education opportunities for individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds, including racial and ethnic minorities that are underrepresented among registered nurses by using social determinants to guide the selection of evidence-based approaches that have been successful in retaining students from disadvantaged backgrounds in schools of nursing.

CONTACT: Jose Santiago-Velez, (301) 443-0533, email: jsantiago-velez@hrsa.gov. For more information see http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=279044

Josiah Macy Jr. Foundation

Mission is improving public health through the advancement of education and training of health professionals. Please note that they have both a grants program and a faculty scholars program. http://www.macyfoundation.org

Board grants $12,000 to over $300,000 with 95% being $100,000 or above.
Discretionary Presidential grants $5,000 to $35,000 with 85% being $20,000 or above.
College of Health Professions Grant Digest  
Fall-Winter 2015 Funding Opportunities


Goal is to help speed the adoption of programs, practices and policies across health and supportive sectors that address the conditions that promote the health of communities. We accept and review these proposals on an ongoing basis. There is no deadline.

*Developing Healthy Places*  [http://kresge.org/programs/health/developing-healthy-places](http://kresge.org/programs/health/developing-healthy-places)

Funding opportunities are available in "healthy housing and neighborhoods" area for organizations working to address:

- Policies, systems change and communication to connect health and housing.
- Policies that promote healthy housing and mitigate the impacts of substandard housing.
- Innovative investments that connect community development, health and housing.


Funding opportunities are available in “Innovative population health programs and policies” area for organizations that:

- Take advantage of the opportunities within health reform to employ new models of shared resources and accountability for improving population health.
- Systematically incentivize and reward primary prevention – for example, by reinvesting downstream health care savings in effective community prevention.
- Share and use data from multiple sectors to inform strategies, measure progress and refine interventions.
- Have the potential to inform practice and policy more broadly.

NCAA Foundation

The NCAA will award $100,000 in grants for the 2016 calendar year to support research and data-driven pilot programs designed to enhance student-athlete psychosocial well-being and mental health. **Topics funded by the NCAA Innovations in Research and Practice Grant Program may include, but are not limited to, managing transitions, identity development, stress management, substance use, bystander intervention, cultivating healthy relationships, career exploration and sport exit strategies.**

Grant recipients will present their work to hundreds of key stakeholders in intercollegiate athletics in January 2017 at the NCAA Convention in Nashville, TN. Proposals will be judged in part on their potential to result in campus-level programming that can positively impact the well-being of NCAA student-athletes. Attached you will find the full CFP and an FAQ for applicants. Examples of previously funded proposals and the proposal evaluation rubric can be found at: [http://www.ncaa.org/about/resources/research/ncaa-innovations-research-and-practice-grant-program](http://www.ncaa.org/about/resources/research/ncaa-innovations-research-and-practice-grant-program).


The National Institutes of Health (NIH) Investigator-Initiated Small Research Grant (R03) funding opportunity supports small research projects that can be carried out in a short period of time with limited resources. The R03 activity code 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.  [http://grants.nih.gov/grants/funding/r03.htm](http://grants.nih.gov/grants/funding/r03.htm)
National Human Genome Research Institute (NHGRI)
National Institute on Aging (NIA)
National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA)
National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID)
National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering (NIBIB)
Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD)
National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA)
National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS)
National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH)
National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS)

National Institute of Health (NIH) Testing Interventions for Health-Enhancing Physical Activity (R01) PAR-14-315
Deadlines: February 5, 2016; October 5, 2016; June 5, 2017
The purpose of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to fund highly innovative and promising research that tests multi-level intervention programs of 1 to 2 years in length that are designed to increase health-enhancing physical activity: 1) in persons or groups that can benefit from such activity; and 2) that could be made scalable and sustainable for broad use across the nation. This FOA provides support for up to 5 years for research planning, intervention delivery, and follow-up activities.

Radiological Society of North America: Research and Education Program Grants and Awards
Deadline: 1/11/2016
Contact: Scott Walter, Assistant Director, Grants Administration 630/571-7816
Description: Supports 18 different research, training, and education programs (predoc. & postdoc.) to ensure that radiology stays at the cutting edge of imaging, diagnosis and treatment. Emphasis of current programs is to stimulate promising young researchers to pursue careers in radiologic research. Awards are grouped into three major categories: Research Grants (1/15/16); Education Grants (1/11/16); and Research Medical Student Grants (2/1/16). All grant applicants must be RSNA members. See http://rsna.org/Grants-and-Awards/ for details. Email: swalter@rsna.org

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation
Evidence for Action: Investigator-Initiated Research to Build a Culture of Health, Open Call for Proposals June 1, 2015 through May 30 2018, no deadline
A national program of RWJF that supports the Foundation’s commitment to building a Culture of Health in the United States. The program aims to provide individuals, organizations, communities, policymakers, and researchers with the empirical evidence needed to address the key determinants of health encompassed in the Culture of Health Action Framework. In addition, Evidence for Action will also support efforts to assess outcomes and set priorities for action. It will do this by encouraging and supporting creative, rigorous research on the impact of innovative programs, policies and partnerships on health and well-being, and on novel approaches to measuring health determinants and outcomes. http://www.rwjf.org/en/library/funding-opportunities/2015/evidence-for-action-investigator-initiated-research-to-build-a-culture-of-health.html

Spencer Foundation
The Foundation believes that cultivating knowledge and new ideas about education will ultimately improve students’ lives and enrich society. The Foundation pursues its mission by awarding research grants and fellowships and by strengthening the connections among education research, policy and practice through its communications and networking activities. http://www.spencer.org/
Small grants program is organized under four areas of inquiry that identify broad topics we believe have fundamental and abiding importance for educational improvement. $50,000 or less, due Nov 3rd

- Organizational Learning in Schools, School Systems, and Higher Education Systems
- Purposes and Values of Education
- Teaching, Learning & Instructional Resources
- The Relation Between Education & Social Opportunity

Lyle Spencer Research Awards: Advancing Understanding of Education Practice and Its Improvement up to $1,000,000 Letter of Intent due expected announcement Spring 2016

Research Practice Partnerships: RPPs are a novel model for conducting relevant and useful research and facilitating the long-term accumulation of knowledge about education policy and practice. They enable researchers and practitioners to jointly study problems in specific settings over time. Grants of up to $400,000 total over a maximum of three years to support each funded partnership. Expected announcement Winter 2015.

Texas Speech and Hearing Foundation Research Award Applications Due December 18th
Each year, TSHF funds grants in amounts of $1,000-$2,000 for a one-year period.
http://tshfoundation.org/awards/research

Lear Ashmore Research Fund – A general foundation fund that supports research in speech and hearing sciences, speech-language pathology, and audiology.

Presidents' Research Fund -- Established by past presidents of TSHA to encourage research.

Tina E. Bangs Research Fund -- Supports research in an educational setting.

Elisabeth Wiig Research Fund – Supports doctoral student research for the advancement of research in speech-language pathology related to (1) teenagers, adolescents, or adults, or (2) childhood language disorders.

The Sandy Friel-Patti Research in Language International Travel Fund which supports travel to present doctoral research in language in an international venue, has a separate application.)

Texas State University – 2016 MIRG (Not yet released)
Up to $25,000 for one year of support
Pre-Proposal usually due mid-Dec (prior to winter break)
Invitation to submit usually January
Full proposal usually due early March (prior to spring break)
http://www.txstate.edu/research/ord/funding/internal-grants/MIRG-News-Announcement.html

Want to know more about funded research at Texas State University, but don’t know where to begin? Have an idea, but don’t know (fill in the blank)?

Contact me, Michele Dziadik-Willingham, MPA Research Coordinator in the College of Health Professions before beginning the grant process on these or any other grant opportunities. I am happy to walk you through internal University policies and procedures, as well as external funder requirements.

Thank you,
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