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Dear Social Work Research Faculty,

Welcome to the monthly funding digest and newsletter service brought to you by the Center for Applied Interdisciplinary Research (CAIR). Please Contact Social Work Research Coordinator [Linda Sterling](#) if you wish to pursue any of the following funding opportunities. If you are aware of other funders/sources of information that you would like us to monitor, please send their name(s) to Linda.

I apologize for the lateness of October's digest but our Canadian vacation and the SRA Int'l conference got me behind. We are already working on the November digest and looking forward to bringing you more opportunities!

** Your suggestions on how to make this service more useful or relative are greatly appreciated!

Title: *Child Welfare Training: The National Child Welfare Workforce Institute*

Keywords: Child welfare, safety, permanency, well-being, workforce development, worker/child outcomes

Sponsor: HHS

Funding: \$4,800,000

IDC: Federally negotiated rate

Duration: Not specified

Sponsor Deadline: 16 Mar 2018

Description: The purpose of this FOA would be to establish, by awarding one cooperative agreement, a National Child Welfare Workforce Institute (NCWWI) to advance federal priorities to improve safety, permanency, and well-being by building the capacity of child welfare professionals and improving the

organizations that recruit, train, supervise, manage, and retain them. The Workforce Institute will play a national leadership role in the field of child welfare in the following broad areas:

(1) Demonstrating how university partnerships support workforce development; (2) Implementing organizational interventions to improve workforce recruitment and retention; (3) Providing leadership training across the child welfare career spectrum; (4) Developing cross system approaches to improve worker and child outcomes; and (5) Building evidence of best practices in workforce development. A broad range of activities will be undertaken by the Workforce Institute to promote effective child welfare practice, enhance agency efforts to create supportive work environments, and improve worker recruitment and retention outcomes by: Implementing an innovative, comprehensive and integrated organizational, educational, and professional development approach to effective child welfare workforce development building on the last two iterations of NCWWI work; Implementing effective workforce organizational interventions that result in improved agency climate, worker preparation, recruitment, and retention outcomes for agencies; such as reduction in emotional stress and worker burnout, increased length of stay for workers, changes in worker attitude and satisfaction, increased recruitment, etc.; Demonstrating expertise in collecting and disseminating information about effective and promising workforce practices in innovative ways; Implementing an intensive, structured research design that rigorously evaluates and measures the impact of each major component of the project and a cross-site evaluation that will build a body of knowledge regarding the appropriate elements to consider and address when implementing a comprehensive model of effective workforce development; and Demonstrating improved safety, well-being, permanency and placement stability outcomes for children and youth in agency care. This will be a 60-month project period with five 12-month budget periods.

Link: <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-grants.html?keywords=HHS-2018-ACF-ACYF-CT-1350>

Title: *Addressing Health Disparities through Effective Interventions among Immigrant Populations*

Keywords: health disparities, immigrants, interventions, health

equity

Sponsor: NIH

Funding: Actual needs

IDC: Federally negotiated rate

Duration: 5 years

Sponsor Deadline: 05 Feb 2018 and 05 Jun 2018

Description: Given the scientific literature documenting health inequities among immigrant populations, this announcement calls for research focusing on the design and implementation of effective interventions that will address immigrant-specific factors to reduce health disparities among immigrants, particularly among migrant workers, recent and 1st generation immigrants.

The intervention research under this FOA should be aimed at improving the health outcome among immigrant groups by targeting the causes or consequences of health disparities. Multi-level interventions that include a combination of individual, group (such as peers, family members, etc.), and/or community-level intervention components have been shown to be effective in improving health outcomes. Therefore, this FOA strongly encourages multi-level interventions (i.e., ranging from individuals to societies) in addressing immigrant health disparities.

Link: <https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-18-284.html>

Title: Strengthening the HIV Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP) Care Continuum through Behavioral, Social, and Implementation Science (R21)

Keywords: behavioral, social, implementation science research, PrEP, racial/ethnic disparities

Sponsor: NIH, NIMH

Funding: The combined budget for direct costs for the two-year project period may not exceed \$275,000. No more than \$200,000 may be requested in any single year.

IDC: Federally negotiated rate

Duration: 2 years

Sponsor Deadline: 07 Jan 2018, 07 May, 2018, and 07 Sep 2018

Description: This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA)

encourages behavioral, social, and implementation science research designed to (a) identify gaps in the HIV pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) care continuum and associated determinants; (b) develop and test interventions to strengthen PrEP delivery, use, and outcomes; and (c) reduce racial/ethnic and age-related disparities in PrEP uptake and use.

High risk/high payoff projects that lack preliminary data are appropriate for this FOA, while applicants with preliminary data who propose longitudinal analyses and/or large scale projects may consider the companion [PA-17-104](#).

Link: <https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-17-103.html>

Title: *DoD Psychological Health and Traumatic Brain Injury Peer Support Program Translational Research Award*

Keywords: **peer-to-peer support, psychological health, behavioral health issues, military**

Sponsor: **Dept. of the Army - USAMRAA**

Funding: \$2-3 million

IDC: Federally negotiated rate

Duration: 3 years

Sponsor Deadline: **05 Jan 2018 (Pre-Application Submission); 19 Jan 2018 – Application Submission**

Description: This funding opportunity seeks applications to support examinations of efficacy and effectiveness of peer-to-peer support interventions to translate and integrate content into the everyday routines of SMs to enhance psychological health readiness and mitigate negative behavioral health issues including suicide behaviors. Applications should focus on research to evaluate the efficacy and effectiveness of peer support programs that could be implemented in the military. Such interventions should leverage public health paradigms such as the social-ecological model, behavior change theory, and adult learning theory. Considerations such as how peer-to-peer support would accommodate military culture, including varied ranks and structure, gender, and occupation requirements should be taken into account. Interventions should be sensitive to the time and contextual constraints associated with occupation and lifestyle. Interventions that include an electronic or virtual component will be considered, but applicants should demonstrate that such

components will ensure the interventions are interactive and engaging. Studies should consider ways to integrate content into the everyday routines of SMs to decrease burden and increase buy-in.

Link: <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-grants.html?keywords=Traumatic%20Brain%20Injury%20Research%20Program>

Title: *Surgical Disparities Research (R01)*

Keywords: Emergency Medical Care, Health Services Delivery, Rehabilitation or Therapy, Thoracic Surgery, Critical Care, Women's Health, Surgery, Trauma, Skin Diseases, Trauma and Emergency Surgery, Minority Health, Orthopedics, Health of Underserved Populations, Minority Health Services

Sponsor: HHS, NIH

Funding: Actual Needs

IDC: Federally Negotiated Rate

Duration: 5 years.

Sponsor Deadline: **07 Jun 2018**

Description: The purpose of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to support investigative and collaborative research focused on understanding and addressing disparities in surgical care and outcomes, in minority and health disparity populations. While the goal is to better understand and explore effectiveness of clinical intervention approaches for addressing surgical disparities, this initiative will also seek to identify multi-level strategies at the institutional and systems level.

Link: <https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-16-391.html>

Title: *Healthy Eating Research: Building Evidence to Prevent Childhood Obesity*

Keywords: Poverty and the Poor, Health Promotion, Food Marketing, Nutrition Education, Food Management, Child or Maternal Health, Public Policy, Health Care Planning or Policy, Health Behavior, Obesity, Consumer Behavior, Minority Health

Sponsor: RWJF

Funding: \$100,000

IDC: Not Specified

Duration: 12- to 18-month s

Sponsor Deadline: 11 May 2018

Description: Healthy Eating Research: Building Evidence to Prevent Childhood Obesity is a (RWJF) national program. The program supports research on environmental and policy strategies with strong potential to promote healthy eating among children to prevent childhood obesity, especially among groups at highest risk for obesity: black, Latino, American Indian, Asian/Pacific Islander, and children who live in lower-income communities (urban, suburban, and/or rural). Findings are expected to advance RWJF's efforts to help all children achieve a healthy weight, promote health equity, and build a Culture of Health.

Link: <https://www.rwjf.org/en/library/funding-opportunities/2016/healthy-eating-research--building-evidence-to-prevent-childhood-.html>

Title: *Healthy Habits: Timing for Developing Sustainable Healthy Behaviors in Children and Adolescents (R01)*

Keywords: Children's health, Healthy behaviors, social sciences, Youth development, Youth,

Sponsor: NIH

Funding: Actual needs

IDC: Federally negotiated rate

Duration: 5 years

Sponsor Deadline: 07 Jan 2018

Description: This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) seeks to encourage applications that employ innovative research to identify mechanisms of influence and/or promote positive sustainable health behavior(s) in children and youth (birth to age 21). Applications to promote positive health behavior(s) should target social and cultural factors, including, but not limited to: schools, families, communities, population, food industry, age-appropriate learning tools and games, social media, social networking, technology and mass media. Topics to be addressed in this announcement include: effective, sustainable processes for influencing young people to make healthy behavior choices; identification of the appropriate stage of influence for learning sustainable lifelong health behaviors; the role of technology and

new media in promoting healthy behavior; identification of factors that support healthy behavior development in vulnerable populations, identification of barriers to healthy behaviors; and, identification of mechanisms and mediators that are common to the development of a range of habitual health behaviors.

Link: <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=254033>

Title: *Initiation of a Mental Health Family Navigator Model to Promote Early Access, Engagement and Coordination of Needed Mental Health Services for Children and Adolescents (R01)*

Keywords: Mental Health

Sponsor: NIH, HHS

Funding: \$500,000

IDC: Federally negotiated rate

Duration: The maximum project period is 5 years; however, applicants are encouraged to limit the proposed project period to 4 years.

Sponsor Deadline: 07 Jan 2018

Description: The purpose of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to encourage research applications to develop and test the effectiveness and implementation of family navigator models designed to promote early access, engagement and coordination of mental health treatment and services for children and adolescents who are experiencing early symptoms of mental health problems. For the purposes of this FOA, NIMH defines a family navigator model as a health care professional or paraprofessional whose role is to deploy a set of strategies designed to rapidly engage youth and families in needed treatment and services, work closely with the family and other involved treatment and service providers to optimize care and monitor the trajectory of mental health symptoms and outcomes over time.

Link: <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=293563>

Title: *Evidence for Action: Investigator-Initiated Research to Build a Culture of Health*

Keywords: Health Policy, Policy Interventions, Population Health,

Health Care

Sponsor: Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

Funding: As needed

IDC: not specified

Duration: 3 years

Sponsor Deadline: None (rolling basis)

Description: Evidence for Action (E4A), a national program of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, funds research that expands the evidence base needed to build a Culture of Health. Our mission is to support rigorously designed quantitative, qualitative, and mixed methods research that yields convincing findings regarding the population health, well-being, and equity impacts of specific policies, programs and partnerships. We are especially interested in research examining the health impacts of programmatic or policy interventions that address factors outside the domain of health care services or public health practice.

Link: https://www.rwjf.org/en/library/funding-opportunities/2015/evidence-for-action-investigator-initiated-research-to-build-a-culture-of-health.html?rid=0034400001rml4sAAE&et_cid=1021200

Title: *Call for Concept Applications 2017*

Keywords: Social Justice, Public Policy, Linguistics or Philology, Social Change

Sponsor: Sociological Initiatives Foundation (SIF)

Funding: Upper \$20,000USD

IDC: Not Specified

Duration: SIF's analysis of past grant recipients has shown that projects typically take two years, so applicants should think in terms of such a timeline.

Sponsor Deadline: **15 Aug 2018**

Description: SIF is dedicated to the belief that research and action are intrinsically inseparable. SIF invites concept proposals for projects that link an explicit research design to a concrete social action strategy. Projects should also have clear social change goals. SIF has funded projects in the areas of civic participation, community organizing, crime and law, education, health, housing, immigration, labor organizing, and language/literacy.

The Foundation specifically supports research that focuses on impacting:

- Social policy
- Institutional and educational practices
- Linguistic issues (e.g. literacy, language loss and maintenance, language policy, language and national security, bilingualism, language and gender, language and law, language disabilities, language and health, language and education, different language cultures).
- Community capacity and the organization of previously unorganized groups

The Foundation supports projects that address institutional rather than individual or behavioral change. It seeks to fund research and initiatives that provide insight into sociological and linguistic issues that can be useful to specific groups and or communities.

Link: <http://www.sifoundation.org/how-to-apply-on-line/>

Title: *William T. Grant Scholars Program*

Keywords: Poverty and the Poor, Equal Educational Opportunity, Equal Opportunity, Child Psychiatry, Behavioral or Social Studies, Child Welfare, Children (Patients), Child or Maternal Health, Youth Development or Leadership, Social Sciences, Social Measurement and Indicators, Social Justice, Adolescents, Youth Policy, Educational Planning or Policy, Minorities and Disadvantaged, Ethnic Studies, Immigrants, Academic Achievement, Science Planning or Policy, Racism or Race Relation, Child or Adolescent Mental Health, Educational Research, Children & Youth, At-Risk Children or Youth, Social Welfare, Juvenile Law, Social Development, Social Stratification or Mobility, Health and Medicine, Child Development

Sponsor: William T. Grant Foundation

Funding: \$350,000

IDC: Not specified

Duration: 5 years.

Sponsor Deadline: 06 Jul 2018

Description: The program supports career development for promising early-career researchers. The program funds five-year research and mentoring plans that significantly expand junior

researchers' expertise in new disciplines, methods, and content areas. The Foundation recognizes that early-career researchers are rarely given incentives or support to take such risks, so this award includes a mentoring component, as well as an emphasis on community and collaboration.

The Foundation is focused on youth ages 5 to 25 in the United States. They fund research that increases our understanding of:

- programs, policies, and practices that reduce inequality in youth outcomes, and
- strategies to improve the use of research evidence in ways that benefit youth.

The Foundation seeks research that builds stronger theory and empirical evidence in these two areas. They intend for the research they support to inform change. While the Foundation does not expect that any one study will create that change, the research should contribute to a body of useful knowledge to improve the lives of young people.

Link: <http://wtgrantfoundation.org/grants/william-t-grant-scholars-program>

Title: *Social Inequality*

Keywords: Poverty and the Poor, Labor Economics, Equal Educational Opportunity, People with Disabilities, Sociology of the Family, Equal Opportunity, Sociology of Sex and Gender, Economics, Political Science, Immigrants, Ethnic Studies, Sociology, Psychology, Racism or Race Relation, Social Stratification or Mobility, Education, Child Development, Community Ecology

Sponsor: Russell Sage Foundation (RSF)

Funding: \$150,000

IDC: Not specified

Duration: 2 years.

Sponsor Deadline: 30 Nov 2017

Description: The Russell Sage Foundation's program on Social Inequality supports innovative research on whether rising economic inequality has affected social, political, and economic institutions, and the extent to which increased inequality has affected equality of opportunity, social mobility, and the

intergenerational transmission of advantage. We seek investigator-initiated research projects that will broaden our understanding of the causes and consequences of rising economic inequalities in the United States.

Link: <http://www.russellsage.org/research/funding/social-inequality>

Title: *Research Grants*

Keywords: Violence, Drugs or Drug Abuse, Domestic Violence, Aggression, Child Abuse & Neglect, Family, Violent Behavior

Sponsor: Harry Frank Guggenheim Foundation

Funding: \$80,000

IDC: Not Specified

Duration: 2 years.

Sponsor Deadline: 01 Aug 2018

Description: The foundation welcomes proposals from any of the natural and social sciences and the humanities that promise to increase understanding of the causes, manifestations, and control of violence and aggression. Highest priority is given to research that can increase understanding and amelioration of urgent problems of violence and aggression in the modern world.

Link: <http://www.hfg.org/rg/guidelines.htm>

Title: *Reducing Stigma to Improve HIV/AIDS Prevention, Treatment and Care in Low and Middle- Income Countries (R21)*

Keywords: Comorbidity, Human Immunodeficiency Virus—HIV, AIDS (Mental Health), Social Medicine, Health and Medicine, AIDS

Sponsor: HHS, NIH

Funding: \$125,000

IDC: Federally Negotiated Rate

Duration: 2 years.

Sponsor Deadline: 11 Dec 2017

Description: The purpose of this FOA is to stimulate research on interventions to reduce HIV/AIDS-associated stigma and its impact on the prevention and treatment of HIV/AIDS and on the quality of life of People Living with HIV/AIDS (PLWH). Specifically, this initiative will support research on a) novel stigma reduction interventions that link to increase in care-seeking behavior and/or

decrease in transmission; b) reducing the impact of stigma on adolescent and/or youth health; c) strategies to cope with the complex burden of stigmatization due to HIV and one or more comorbidities/coinfections; d) reducing effects of stigma on and/or by family members or caregivers of PLWH; and e) innovative and improved stigma measurement in the context of implementation of an intervention. The overall goals are to understand how to reduce stigma as a factor in HIV transmission, to eliminate or mitigate the aspects of stigma that limit beneficial health outcomes for the infected and at-risk individuals and communities, and to initiate exploratory studies to determine the feasibility of stigma interventions related to HIV prevention, treatment and/or care in Low and Middle-Income Countries (LMICs).

Link: <https://www.grants.gov/custom/viewOppDetails.jsp?oppId=296999>

Title: *Fellows Award*

Keywords: Arthritis, Mental Disorders, Mental Health, Autism, Chronic Pain, Clinical Research or Studies, Musculoskeletal Diseases, Neuropsychiatry, Medical Genetics, Geriatric Mental Health

Sponsor: MQ: Transforming Mental Health

Funding: All MQ Fellows Awards and co-funded Awards will provide up to £75,000 (\$95,000) per year for three years, or up to £225,000 (\$285,000) in total funding.

IDC: Not Permitted

Duration: 3 years

Sponsor Deadline: 25 April 2018

Description: The Fellows Award supports the best and brightest early career scientists and clinicians as they establish their independence.

MQ supports researchers from all disciplines, around the world, who are asking challenging questions that will contribute to transformative advances in mental health research. Research can be based in the laboratory, clinic or field, and may involve experimental, clinical, theoretical, social science or medical humanities approaches. It must be relevant to the cause, treatment or prevention of mental illness.

In their 2017 funding call, MQ has announced that in addition to their existing MQ Fellows Award, they are offering 3 co-funded Fellows Awards.

Link: <https://www.mqmentalhealth.org/research/apply-fellows>

Title: *Science of Organizations (SoO)*

Keywords: Organizational Theory and Behavior

Sponsor: NSF, SBE, SES

Funding: As Needed

IDC: Federally Negotiated Rate

Duration: As Needed

Sponsor Deadline: 02 Feb 2018

Description: Organizations - private and public, established and entrepreneurial, designed and emergent, formal and informal, profit and nonprofit - are critical to the well-being of nations and their citizens. They are of crucial importance for producing goods and services, creating value, providing jobs, and achieving social goals. The SoO program funds basic research that yields a scientific evidence base for improving the design and emergence, development and deployment, and management and ultimate effectiveness of organizations of all kinds.

Link: https://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=504696

Title: *Developmental Sciences (DS)*

Keywords: Perinatology, Developmental Psychology, Human Learning and Memory, Social Psychology, Adolescent Psychology, Developmental Biology, Developmental Neurobiology, Infant Psychology, Cognitive Development or Processes, Ethnography, Child Psychology, Demography, Family, Language Acquisition, Children & Youth, Social Development, Early Childhood Development, Cognitive Science, Child Development, Molecular Genetics, Human Development

Sponsor: NSE, SBE, BCS

Funding: Typically, 3 years

IDC: Federally Negotiated Rate

Duration: While there are no specific rules about budget

limitations, a typical project funded through the DLS program is approximately 3 years in duration with a total cost budget, including both direct and indirect costs, between \$100,000 and \$200,000 per year.

Sponsor Deadline: 16 Jan 2018

Description: DLS supports fundamental research that increases our understanding of cognitive, linguistic, social, cultural, and biological processes related to children's and adolescents' development and learning. Research supported by this program will add to our basic knowledge of how people learn and the underlying developmental processes that support learning, social functioning, and productive lives as members of society.

Link: https://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=8671

Title: *Grants*

Keywords: Quality of Life Program, Developmental Psychology, Early Childhood Education, Early Childhood Development, Child Welfare, Play, Parent Education, Educational Research

Sponsor: Caplan Foundation for Early Childhood

Funding: Not specified

IDC: The Foundation will not fund the general allocation of indirect expenditures to a project. The Board will only approve up to 15% of the project's direct expenditures for general and administrative expenses that are required for the successful completion of the project.

Duration: 1 year

Sponsor Deadline: 31 Jan 2018

Description: The Foundation is intended to be an incubator of promising research and development projects that may ultimately enhance the development, health, safety, education or quality of life of children from infancy through seven years of age across the country.

Each of its grants is made with the expectation that a successful project outcome will be of significant interest to other investigators or developers, within the grantee's field of endeavor, and will be amenable to beneficial application or adaptation elsewhere. In essence, the foundation's goal is to provide seed money for those imaginative endeavors, addressed to the needs of young children,

which appear most likely to bear fruit on a national scale.

Link: <http://earlychildhoodfoundation.org/>

Title: *Research Grants*

Keywords: Equal Educational Opportunity, Equal Opportunity, Educational Administration and Policy, Child Welfare, Public Policy, Family, Children & Youth, Social Sciences, At-Risk Children or Youth, Adolescents, Criminal Justice

Sponsor: William T. Grant Foundation

Funding: Research grants about reducing inequality typically range between \$100,000 and \$600,000 and cover two to three years of support. Research grants about improving the use of research initiative will range between \$100,000 and \$1,000,000 and cover two to four years of support.

IDC: Not specified

Duration: 2-4 years

Sponsor Deadline: 11 Jan 2018

Description: Since its founding in 1936, the William T. Grant Foundation has worked to further the understanding of human behavior through research. Today, the Foundation supports high-quality research that is relevant to policies and practices that affect the lives of young people ages 5 to 25 in the United States.

The Foundation is focused on youth ages 5 to 25 in the United States. The Foundation funds research that increases the Foundation's understanding of:

- programs, policies, and practices that reduce inequality in youth outcomes, and
- strategies to improve the use of research evidence in ways that benefit youth.

The Foundation seeks research that builds stronger theory and empirical evidence in these two areas. The Foundation intends for the research it supports to inform change. While the Foundation does not expect that any one study will create that change, the research should contribute to a body of useful knowledge to improve the lives of young people.

Link: <http://wtgrantfoundation.org/grants/research-grants>

Title: *Research on Bias Crimes*

Keywords: Crime Causation, Criminology, Violent Crime, Victimization or Compensation, Criminal Justice, Criminal Psychology, Discrimination, Criminology

Sponsor: DOJ, OJP, NIJ

Funding: \$500,000 up to \$1,000,000 for multiple projects.

IDC: Federally Negotiated Rate

Duration: 3 years

Sponsor Deadline: 03 Apr 2018

Description: NIJ is seeking research and evaluation related to bias crime perpetration and victimization. For this solicitation, NIJ is interested in a broad range of research that will address gaps in our ability to identify, assess, and understand the behavior of bias crime offenders or experiences of bias crime victims.

The goal of the bias crime victimization program of research is to improve knowledge and understanding of bias crime victimization through science. NIJ strives to provide objective and independent knowledge and validated tools to reduce violence against victims of hate crime. The objectives of this solicitation are to fund high-quality research projects in the area of bias motivated crime. All grantees funded under this solicitation are expected to publish one or more peer-reviewed scientific journal articles, but may include law review journals, academic press books or book chapters.

Link: <http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=291014>

Title: *Ground Truth (GT)*

Keywords: Social Psychology, Behavioral or Social Studies, Community Studies, Social Sciences

Sponsor: DOD, DARPA

Funding: The level of funding for individual awards made under this BAA will depend on the quality of the proposals received and the availability of funds.

IDC: Federally Negotiated Rate

Duration: Not Specified

Sponsor Deadline: 15 May 2018

Description: The Ground Truth (GT) program is designed to test this hypothesis by creating and using artificial but socially plausible

simulations with causal ground truth to quantify the explanatory and predictive performance of a range of social science modeling methods. Because causality is encoded into the simulations, DARPA and the teams creating simulations will have known causal ground truth. Modeling teams will then attempt to discover and predict causality in the simulations using their various methods. Based on the modeling teams' success in meeting various metrics over a series of increasingly complex challenges, GT will afford unprecedented validation of quantitative, qualitative, and mixed research methods' abilities to draw strong inference about causal mechanisms of different kinds of social behaviors under different conditions of complexity.

Link: <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=293519>

Title: *Grants* (Requests for Proposals)

Keywords: Poverty and the Poor, Social Psychology, Political History, Government Studies, Technology, Economics, Penology, Business Ethics, Social Measurement and Indicators, Social Sciences, National Security, International Planning or Policy, Political Behavior, Civil or Human Rights, Sociology, Law Enforcement, Social Order, Science - Humanistic Emphasis, Capitalism, Legal Reform, Social Change, Political Philosophy, Ethics, Social Welfare, Science and Society

Sponsor: Charles Koch Foundation

Funding: \$50,000USD Funding levels are commensurate with the requirements of the research and the potential for the research to advance an understanding of critical issues. Accepted proposals may also receive support to disseminate the research findings.

IDC: Not Specified

Duration: Not Specified

Sponsor Deadline: Continuous

Description: The Charles Koch Foundation invites proposals for research support on select topics relating to well-being and free societies.

The Foundation is interested in all papers and larger projects related to the topics listed below, but has highlighted those topics in which the Foundation is particularly interested.

Topics:

1. Foundations of Well-Being - Well-being is a critical topic with broad implications for how individuals and societies organize to maximize human fulfillment and welfare. The Foundation is interested in supporting research that furthers an understanding of the origins and drivers of individual and societal well-being.

2. Criminal Justice and Policing Reform - The criminal justice system affects everything from individual opportunity and family cohesion to public safety and the ability for communities to thrive. A better understanding of the criminal justice system and its effects on society will help identify opportunities to create better long-term outcomes for all involved. The Foundation is interested in supporting research that furthers an understanding of the effects of the criminal justice system on individual and societal well-being.

3. Tolerance is a foundational tenet of free and flourishing societies and provides a basis for peaceful coexistence among people with different views. The Foundation is interested in supporting research that advances an understanding of the role that tolerance plays in facilitating well-being and progress.

4. Innovation is key to improving the well-being of individuals and societies. The introduction of new ideas, products, or methods enables individuals to use resources more efficiently, which in turn raises standards of living - particularly for the least fortunate. The Foundation is interested in supporting research that furthers an understanding of the potential for innovation to help improve people's lives and the conditions necessary for innovation to advance.

5. Cronyism - Government-granted privilege to private individuals or business, commonly understood as "cronyism" undermines long-term well-being because it creates systems that reward individuals based on political discretion rather than the value they create for society. The Foundation is interested in supporting research on cronyism.

6. Foreign Policy - Foreign policy includes, but is not limited to, matters of national defense. The United States' approach to grand strategy, trade, diplomacy, defense policy, civil-military relations, intelligence, homeland security, and other areas related to foreign policy influence individual and societal well-being on a daily basis. Better understanding the connection between U.S. foreign policy,

freedom, and well-being will allow for a more productive discussion about potential solutions to pressing problems. The Foundation is interested in supporting research that furthers an understanding of the benefits and costs of certain approaches to foreign policy.

Link: <http://www.charleskochfoundation.org/requests-for-proposals/>

Title: *Simulation Modeling and Systems Science to Address Health Disparities* (R01Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

Keywords: Deafness, Drugs or Drug Abuse, Mathematical Modeling (Medical), Mental Disorders, Cancer or Carcinogenesis, Behavioral Medicine, Pulmonary Diseases, Behavioral Problems or Disorders, Aging, Heart Diseases, Minority Health, Disease Prevention

Sponsor: HHS, NIH

Funding: \$1,000,000 USD

IDC: Federally Negotiated Rate

Duration: 4 years.

Sponsor Deadline: 07 Jan 2018

Description: The purpose of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to support investigative and collaborative research focused on developing and evaluating simulation modeling and systems science to understand and address minority health and health disparities. Clinical trials are not allowed for this FOA.

Although scientific and technological advances have improved the health and wellbeing of the U.S. population overall, racial and ethnic minorities, socioeconomically disadvantaged, underserved rural and sexual and gender minority populations continue to experience a disproportionate share of many acute or chronic diseases and adverse health outcomes. It is critical to address health disparities and improve health for all Americans. Several characteristics make addressing health disparities an especially challenging problem. The challenges lie in the interactions of influences at various levels (e.g., individual, interpersonal, family, community, societal), the diversity of the relevant mediators (e.g., exposures, resilience factors), and the multiple interacting mechanisms involved (e.g., biological,

behavioral, environmental, sociocultural, and healthcare system). The array of determinants of health across levels and domains are depicted in the NIMHD Research Framework (<https://www.nimhd.nih.gov/about/overview/research-framework.html>). Systems science considers different components within complex systems across multiple levels to help understand their interactions and influences. The focus on single, independent risk factors often fails to capture the complexity of interactions between diverse factors in subtle, bidirectional, or non-linear ways to strongly influence overall behaviors and health outcomes. The dynamic relationship that unfolds when considering contextual factors that contribute to health inequities, such as neighborhood segregation, housing insecurity, food insecurity, neighborhood safety, social networks, and community disempowerment, cannot be fully captured with currently available data and analytic methods. Simulation Modeling and Systems Science (SMSS) provides avenues for modeling relevant multiple processes, testing plausible scenarios, understanding the magnitude of intended and unintended consequences of specific interventions, and having the option to adjust and refine simulated intervention designs prior to actual implementation testing in the real world. SMSS approaches have been used to guide interventions in clinical preventive care, disaster planning, and for analyzing national health reform strategies. They have also been used to model potential public health outcomes in cases where it is not feasible to test various intervention strategies on real populations, particularly where interventions may involve factors far upstream from health outcomes, such as societal causes embedded in political, legal, economic and cultural factors.

Link: <https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-18-331.html>

Title: *Toyota Foundation Research Grant Program - Exploring New Values for Society*

Keywords: Poverty and the Poor, Social Structure, Equal Opportunity, Natural Resources Management, Emergency or Disaster Planning or Policy, Environmental Science, Cultural Heritage, Disaster Studies, Cultural History, Human Resources, Social Order, Science - Humanistic Emphasis, Social Change,

Environmental Conservation, Science and Society, Environmental Sustainability, Community Development or Revitalization, Cultural Diversity

Sponsor: Toyota Foundation - Japan

Funding: Upper ¥4,000,000JPY Joint Research Grants provide up to around 4 million yen per year. Individual Research Grants provide up to around 1 million yen per year. The grant period is one year or two years, beginning May 1, 2018.

IDC: Not Specified

Duration: 1 or 2 years

Sponsor Deadline: 08 Sep 2018

Description: The Toyota Foundation is a grant-making foundation whose goal is to contribute toward the realization of a more people-oriented society and a resulting increase in human happiness. They provide grants in support of research and operations in order to respond to a diverse array of social issues, with a focus on areas of human and natural environment, social welfare, and education and culture. From the outset, the Toyota Foundation has provided grants with an eye to supporting projects based on foresight, a participatory orientation, and an international perspective.

The Toyota Foundation Research Grant Program supports research projects in accordance with its program title, "Exploring New Values for Society". The objective of the program is to encourage ambitious projects that seek new values for society by fundamentally exploring basic ways of thinking and methodologies on what approach we should take to address difficult issues to be faced in the future.

Link: <http://www.toyotafound.or.jp/english/research/2017/>

Title: *Mind & Life 1440 Grants for Contemplative Education Research*

Keywords: Anthropology, Sociology, Elementary or Secondary Education, Buddhism, Philosophy of Science, Arts and Humanities, Clinical Research or Studies, General Humanities Topics, Neuroscience

Sponsor: Mind & Life Institute

Funding: \$25,000

IDC: Not permitted.

Duration: 2 years

Sponsor Deadline: 09 Feb 2018

Description: Through a partnership with the 1440 Foundation, the Mind & Life Institute is pleased to offer the Mind & Life 1440 Grants, specifically geared towards the investigation of social, relational, and academic outcomes of contemplative practice in K-12 educational settings. These grants are intended to promote research that evaluates the effectiveness of mindfulness, compassion, or other contemplative interventions in K-12 classrooms, with a focus on evaluating inner well-being and healthy relationships for students and teachers. Strong proposals will use rigorous study designs and also evaluate academic performance and standard school outcomes. In line with Mind & Life's interdisciplinary approach, this grant program encourages the active collaboration of scientists with contemplative scholars/practitioners in all phases of research.

Link: <https://www.mindandlife.org/1440-grants/>

Title: *Pilot Studies to Detect and Prevent Suicide Behavior, Ideation and Self-Harm in Youth in Contact with the Juvenile Justice System (R34)*

Keywords: Adolescent Psychology, Child or Adolescent Mental Health, Suicides & Suicide Attempts, At-Risk Children or Youth, Family Law, Juvenile Law, Criminal Justice, Health and Medicine, Juvenile Delinquency

Sponsor: HHS, NIH, NIMH

Funding: \$450,000

IDC: Not Funded

Duration: 3 Years

Sponsor Deadline: 16 Feb 2018

Description: This initiative supports research to test the effectiveness of combined strategies to both detect and intervene to reduce the risk of suicide behavior, suicide ideation, and non-suicidal self-harm (NSSI) by youth in contact with the juvenile justice system. Opportunities for detection and prevention start at early points of contact (e.g., police interaction, the intake interview) and continue through many juvenile justice settings (e.g., pre-trial detention, juvenile or family court activities, court

disposition, placement and on-going care in either residential or multiple community settings.) This FOA invites intervention strategies that are designed to be delivered in typical service settings using typically available personnel and resources, to enhance the implementation of interventions that prove effective, enhance their future uptake in diverse settings, and thereby reduce risk of suicide and self-harm in this population.

Link: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-16-298.html>

Title: *MSRC Research Program*

Keywords: Suicides & Suicide Attempts, Injury Prevention, Clinical Trials, Mental Health, Mental Disorders

Sponsor: Military Suicide Research Consortium

Funding: \$1.5 Million

IDC: Must be included in the total direct costs of the primary award.

Duration: 3 years

Sponsor Deadline: 17 Feb 2018

Description: The MSRC is part of an ongoing strategy to integrate and synchronize U.S. Department of Defense and civilian efforts to implement a multidisciplinary research approach to suicide prevention. Funded through the Defense Health Program and managed by the Military Operational Medicine Research Program (MOMRP), this program aims to enhance the military's ability to quickly identify those at risk for suicide and provide effective evidence-based prevention and treatment strategies.

Link: <https://msrc.fsu.edu/loi>

Title: *PEACE Grants*

Keywords: Quality of Life Program, Anthropology, Sociology, Interpersonal Communication, Behavioral or Social Studies, Buddhism, Ethics, Neuroscience, Philosophy

Sponsor: Mind & Life Institute

Funding: \$100,000

IDC: Grant funds may be used to cover any research-related costs; salary and/or time buy-out is permissible.

Duration: 2 Years

Sponsor Deadline: 14 Apr 2018

Description: The Mind & Life Institute is a non-profit organization committed to building a scientific understanding of the mind and human behavior as a way to reduce suffering and promote flourishing. In particular, we promote the integration of rigorous scientific inquiry with contemplative practices and wisdom traditions by supporting the emerging field of contemplative sciences. As part of this mission, we are offering a new grants program to fund research on novel interdisciplinary approaches for investigating and nurturing wholesome mental qualities related to Prosociality, Empathy, Altruism, Compassion, and Ethics (PEACE). Programs delivering contemplative training in various settings have expanded rapidly over the past decade. Our knowledge of cognitive, physiological and clinical effects of these practices (particularly mindfulness) has grown steadily, in large part due to the ongoing efforts of the Mind & Life Institute. Expanding from a focus on awareness-based practices to include the cultivation of virtuous, prosocial qualities and actions is clearly warranted as we look to foster positive change in the world. To this end, the Mind & Life Institute is pleased to lead the way in supporting the development of this critical field through our new funding program, the PEACE Grants- supporting projects that advance our understanding of the mechanisms, implementation and outcomes of contemplative strategies to promote wholesome mental qualities and positive interpersonal and social action. In addition, we encourage the development of measures to rigorously assess these qualities in various real-world contexts.

Link: <https://www.mindandlife.org/peace-grants/rfl-peace-grants/>

Title: *Developing Solutions for Social Isolation in the United States: Learning From the World*

Keywords: Health, Well-being, Communities, Social Isolation, Social Connections, Society

Sponsor: Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

Funding: \$750,000

IDC: Not Specified

Duration: 3 Years

Sponsor Deadline: 21 Dec 2017

Description: At the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF), we believe that everyone in America—no matter who that person is,

how much money they have, or where they live—should have as much opportunity as possible to pursue a healthier life. We call that vision a Culture of Health and we work with people across the country to build a Culture of Health. Across the globe, countries are taking steps to improve health and well-being in their communities. RWJF is eager to learn from those countries. We are collaborating with people and organizations around the world to uncover insights that can inspire us all to imagine new possibilities and to surface practical solutions that can be adapted here in the United States.

With this call for proposals (CFP), RWJF is looking for the best ideas from around the world that address social isolation and promote positive, healthy social connections and well-being. Social relationships are important for mental and physical well-being over the life course. Research has shown that social relationships influence many interrelated health outcomes, such as health behaviors, mental and physical health, development, disability and mortality risk. Characteristics of social networks impact the health of entire communities as well as the health of individuals.¹ Programs and policies that address social isolation and promote positive social connections in the United States can have a cumulative effect over time and move us closer to a Culture of Health.

RWJF will support projects that promote approaches developed outside the United States that address social isolation, across all stages and ages of life, in U.S. individuals, groups, and communities. We encourage proposals from both U.S.-based applicants to adapt an overseas idea, and from international applicants with ideas that could work in the United States. Populations of interest include children, adolescents, young adults, mothers, and families at risk or isolated because of issues including religion, gender identity, race or ethnicity, health issues, disabilities, and/or trauma; those living in rural communities and/or communities with insufficient basic community infrastructure or who may otherwise be politically or structurally disempowered; and others who may be now or who are at risk to become socially isolated. There is a large body of work on social isolation among older people in the United States. Several U.S. cities are already testing and adapting promising interventions.

While we are open to proposals that address social isolation in older populations, preference will be given to projects focused on children, adolescents, adults, mothers and families at risk.

Link: <https://www.rwjf.org/en/library/funding-opportunities/2017/developing-solutions-for-social-isolation-in-the-us--learning-from-the-world.html>

Title: *Research on Transgender Health (R21)*

Keywords: Gender Issues, Sexuality and Sex Roles, Sociology of Sex and Gender, Sex Roles, Gender Differences

Sponsor: HHS, NIH

Funding: \$275,000

IDC: Federally Negotiated Rate

Duration: 2 years

Sponsor Deadline: 16 Feb 2018

Description: This funding opportunity announcement (FOA) calls for research on the health of transgender and gender nonconforming people of all ages, including both youth and adults who are questioning their gender identity and those individuals who are making or who have made a transition from being identified as one gender to the other. This group encompasses individuals whose gender identity differs from the sex on their original birth certificate or whose gender expression varies significantly from what is traditionally associated with or typical for that sex.

Link: <https://www.grants.gov/custom/viewOppDetails.jsp?oppId=297232>

Funding Opportunities from SWRNet

Opioid Use Disorder in Pregnancy (NIH)

Deadline: December 13, 2017

In this funding opportunity announcement (FOA), we invite prospective applicants to propose research addressing treatment of pregnant women with opioid use disorder and pharmacokinetic and pharmacodynamic studies of medications used for maternal treatment. Click [here](#) for more information.

Ethical Issues in Research on HIV/AIDS and its Co-

Morbidities (NIH)

Deadline: January 8, 2018

This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) invites applications addressing ethical issues relevant to research on HIV and associated co-morbidities, including research with populations living with or at high risk of HIV acquisition. The bioethics projects supported through this FOA should focus on at least one of the following three goals: 1) Development of the empirical knowledge base for human subjects protection and ethical standards in HIV/AIDS research; 2) Development of conceptual bioethics approaches to advance scholarship on difficult ethical challenges in HIV/AIDS research; 3) Supporting the integration of bioethics work with ongoing research in HIV/AIDS. Click [here](#) for more information.

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Health Policy Fellows

Deadline: November 15, 2017

The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Health Policy Fellows program provides the nation's most comprehensive learning experience at the nexus of health, science, and policy in Washington, D.C. It is an outstanding opportunity for exceptional midcareer health professionals and behavioral and social scientists with an interest in health and health care policy. Fellows participate in the policy process at the federal level and use that leadership experience to improve health, health care, and health policy. Click [here](#) for more information.

Society for Research in Child Development Policy Fellowship

Deadline: December 15, 2017

The goals of the fellowships are: (1) to contribute to the effective use of scientific knowledge about child development in the formation of public policy; (2) to educate the scientific community about the development of public policy; and (3) to establish a more effective liaison between developmental scientists and the federal policy-making mechanisms. Click [here](#) for more information.

[Child Welfare Training: The National Child Welfare Workforce Institute \(ACF\)](#)

Deadline: March 16, 2018

The purpose of this FOA would be to establish, by awarding one cooperative agreement, a National Child Welfare Workforce

Institute (NCWWI) to advance federal priorities to improve safety, permanency, and well-being by building the capacity of child welfare professionals and improving the organizations that recruit, train, supervise, manage, and retain them.

Simons Foundation Autism Research Initiative (SFARI): [2018 Pilot and Research Awards](#)

December 1, 2017

Provides funding for investigators conducting research into the underlying biology, causes and treatment of autism spectrum disorders.

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation - [Developing Solutions for Social Isolation in the United States: Learning From the World](#)

Deadline: December 21, 2017

Social connections can help us thrive. But too many people feel disconnected from society and from life, and that contributes to a host of physical, mental and emotional health problems. With this call for proposals (CFP), RWJF is looking for the best ideas from around the world that address social isolation and promote positive, healthy social connections, and well-being.

[Center for Retirement Research Steven H. Sandell Grant Program](#)

Deadline: January 31, 2018

The Center for Retirement Research sponsors the annual Steven H. Sandell Grant Program for scholars in the field of retirement research and policy. The program is funded by the U.S. Social Security Administration to provide opportunities for junior scholars or senior scholars in a new area from all academic disciplines to pursue cutting-edge projects on retirement income issues.

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NEWS, CALLS, CONFERENCES, PUBS AND DATA

Call for Proposals

[2018 NASW National Conference - Shaping Tomorrow Together](#)

Deadline: November 30, 2017

Social workers are leaders of change who help define and strengthen the safety net of society. NASW welcomes compelling proposals that address a wide range of topics related, but not limited to, helping shape our future. Be a part of this valuable professional development experience in the nation's capital by networking and sharing your knowledge, innovative solutions and strategies with thousands of social workers and allied professionals from all over the country at NASW's meeting of the profession-the 2018 NASW National Conference.

DOCTORAL STUDENT OPPORTUNITY

Call for Student Submissions

[11th Annual National Conference on Health Disparities - Reducing Health Disparities Through Sustaining and Strengthening Healthy Communities](#)

Deadline: December 22, 2017

The mission of the conference is to focus on policies, research interventions, and programs that address prevention, social determinants, and personal responsibility in reducing health disparities and promoting health equity.

The Conference invites student submissions for a poster session. The session will be included in a Student Research Forum that will also include oral presentations by students, a keynote address, and roundtable discussions. Preferred abstracts will relate to the full range of health disparities and

environmental health in the basic sciences, clinical sciences, population/behavioral/social sciences and environmental sciences. Students are strongly encouraged to focus on one or more of the following areas: cancer; cardiovascular disease; diabetes; environmental health; human trafficking/human enslavement; and infectious diseases. Additionally, research focusing on gun violence as a public health issue in the United States, police/community relations, and the opioid epidemic will be especially welcomed.

Call for Proposals

The Network for Social Work Management (NSWM) 29th Annual Management Conference - [Disruptive Leadership: Maximizing Inclusion, Invention & Innovation in Human Services](#)

Deadline: January 22, 2018

The 2018 NSWM international conference will gather social work, health and human service managers and leaders to facilitate learning and networking exchanges for personal, professional and organization opportunities to survive, thrive and grow. Proposals will be assessed based on the extent to which they can help ensure social workers and human service professionals drive greater impact, promote conscious efforts related to diversity and inclusion, and encourage innovations in products, markets, and values networks.

Call for Papers

Special Issue of *Social Work and Christianity* - Addictions: An Epidemic of Pain

Deadline: March 30, 2018

For this special issue, the editors welcome a broad range of manuscripts, research articles, evaluations and book reviews that address any aspect of addiction. The papers selected will be designed to benefit any social work professional or behavioral health provider that may be interested in the intersection of religion and spirituality and their work with addictions. Click [here](#) for more information.

Cornell University and ADDEP Webinar - [Finding and Analyzing Disability and Rehabilitation Data: Tools for Locating, Accessing, and Analyzing Survey and Administrative Data](#)

November 13, 2017 - 1:00-2:00 PM EST

Secondary datasets are valuable resources for testing hypotheses and generating meaningful statistics about issues related to disability and rehabilitation. This presentation will introduce two web-based resources designed to help researchers learn about: Datasets related to disability and rehabilitation; topics covered by different datasets; how to access the datasets; tools to explore and analyze the data; additional dataset resources and how you can share your own data.

Brandeis Webinar - [Working with Parents with Intellectual Disabilities and their Families: Strategies and Solutions for Social Workers](#)

November 14, 2017 - 3:00-4:00 PM EST

Learn about how to best work with parents with intellectual disabilities and their families, including the definition of intellectual disabilities, background information on parents with disabilities, the application of disability law in the child welfare system, strategies for supporting families, and how to conduct accessible and appropriate parenting assessments.

National Child Welfare Workforce Institute Webinar - Dismantling Racial Inequity Session #3: [A Data-Driven Approach to Improving Outcomes for Black Girls](#)

December 7, 2017 - 3:00-4:30 PM EST

This 3rd session of "Dismantling Racial Inequity Through Child Welfare Systems Change" webinar series will highlight how Allegheny County Department of Human Services uses data to inform child welfare practice and address the racial disproportionality that exists along the child welfare continuum.

38th Annual NASW-NM Conference - [Stress, Strengths](#)

[and The Social Environment](#)

March 26-29, 2018 - Albuquerque, NM

Research Publications & Data Resources

Institute for Research on Poverty *Fast Focus* - [Deep poverty in the United States](#)

Rising income inequality and concentration of wealth at the top of the U.S. income distribution receive substantial attention in public discourse, but concern is growing about those at the very bottom, the highly disadvantaged. This brief explores the literature on estimates and trends of severe economic disadvantage in the United States and the effectiveness of the safety net in alleviating it. It explores the prevalence and demographics of deep poverty and how they have changed over time; correlates of deep poverty, including earned income and family structure; and how well the safety net has prevented and alleviated severe disadvantage. The brief ends with outstanding research questions in the areas of measurement, work, and policy.

New Dataset Available - [Monitoring the Future: A Continuing Study of American Youth \(12th-Grade Survey\), 2016](#)

This survey of 12th-grade students is part of a series that explores changes in important values, behaviors, and lifestyle orientations of contemporary American youth. Students are randomly assigned to complete one of six questionnaires, each with a different subset of topical questions, but all containing a set of "core" questions on demographics and drug use.

News & Notices

HuffPost - [White Privilege Helps Explain The Opioid Epidemic](#)

Understanding white privilege is a critical part of moving toward effective and equitable drug policy.

RWJF Culture of Health Blog - [Why Discrimination Is a](#)

Health Issue

What does the pervasiveness of discrimination mean for health? Social scientist David Williams explains the physiological response to stress and why a good education or high-paying job doesn't necessarily protect from its effects.

DHS Calls for S&T Research Partners

by [Ali, Leila](#)

The Science and Technology Directorate (S&T), a division of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS), is looking for research partners to find scientific and technology solutions to solve DHS current challenges. S&T's research and development partnership goals include securing aviation, cyberspace, and borders, preventing terrorism and protecting from terrorist attacks, and emergency response and critical infrastructure security and resilience (i.e., managing incidents). Although this [call to action](#) is geared toward technology developers and industry partners, S&T's [industry guide](#) can also be used as an overview of ways colleges and universities could potentially collaborate with industry partners on DHS research.

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