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### Events

- **Chicago Asthma Consortium Educational meeting - Asthma and COPD (Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease) Co-hosted with Illinois COPD Coalition** - Dec 4, 8am-12pm. 525 S State. Details: [http://www.chicagoasthma.org/site/files/410/12588/50054/670124/Program_Information_and_Registration.pdf](http://www.chicagoasthma.org/site/files/410/12588/50054/670124/Program_Information_and_Registration.pdf)

- **Center for Community Health Session: Patient/Stakeholder Engagement for PCORI Submissions** – Dec 3, 3-4:30pm – Learn how to prepare and begin patient and stakeholder engagement for proposal design and submission to the Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Initiative (PCORI). RSVP: cch@northwestern.edu. Details: [http://planitpurple.northwestern.edu/event/449319/ToP3O0Sn](http://planitpurple.northwestern.edu/event/449319/ToP3O0Sn)

- **Center for Community Health Manuscript Writing Retreat** – Dec 4, 9am-4:30pm – 750 N Lake Shore Drive, Northwestern University Chicago Campus. Community and academic partners and partnerships are invited to participate in next year’s quarterly writing retreats hosted by the Center for Community Health (CCH). These are not educational workshops but dedicated space and time for attendees to focus on their own manuscripts. Faculty and staff (including CCH Associate Director, Darius Tandon), will be on hand to share publishing experience, answer questions, and provide guidance as needed. RSVP: cch@northwestern.edu. Details: [http://planitpurple.northwestern.edu/event/444666/ToP3O0Sn](http://planitpurple.northwestern.edu/event/444666/ToP3O0Sn)

- **Clergy & Lay Leadership Summit IX: The Indaba Project:** “Traditional gathering of the tribal leaders for sharing ideas.” Dec. 7; 9am-4:30pm – McCormick Theological Seminary, 5460 S University. Guest Preacher: Bishop Yvette Flunder, Panel Discussion: “Finding Common Truths: Addressing HIV and AIDS Beyond Theologies”. Details: [summit@mccormick.edu](mailto:summit@mccormick.edu)


- **"Enhancing Access to Cancer Clinical Trials: What Will it Take?" Webinar** – Dec 12, 1-2pm. Patient navigators are increasingly recognized for having a critical role to play in helping patients make their way through complex health care systems from screening to treatment adherence. This webinar will explore the integration of cancer clinical trials into patient navigators’ activities, considering potential best practices. Details: [http://www.enacct.org/node/325](http://www.enacct.org/node/325)

- **ARCC Workshop: Guidance on Policy & Priority Areas for Conducting Health & Wellness Research at Chicago Public Schools, Dec 12; 1:30-4 pm** – The session will cover: a) Policies and procedures for conducting research in CPS, including an overview of current Office Health & Wellness priorities, b) Guidance on “frequently asked questions” for researchers and practitioners and c) Opportunity for questions & answers. Hosted by CPS and ARCC. RSVP & submit questions to: ARCC@northwestern.edu. Details: [http://planitpurple.northwestern.edu/event/449579](http://planitpurple.northwestern.edu/event/449579)

- **Northwestern University Qualitative Research Interest Group Meeting** – Jan 17, 12-1pm – Interviews. Details: [trime@northwestern.edu](mailto:trime@northwestern.edu)

- **Health Disparities & Social Justice Conference 2014 – A Focus on Latino Health, Feb 7th @ DePaul Center, 1 E Jackson Blvd.** The Conference at DePaul University will provide a training opportunity to increase public health skills in identifying and addressing a wide variety of health disparities in diverse communities. It offers a valuable context for dialogue among a range of health and community experts who share DePaul’s mission to address social injustices and community health practices in marginalized groups. Special focus on ‘Latino Health’ central to this year’s conference. Free. Details: [http://las.depaul.edu/mph/](http://las.depaul.edu/mph/)

- **Northwestern University Qualitative Research Interest Group Meeting** – Feb 21, 12-1pm – Resources. Details: [trime@northwestern.edu](mailto:trime@northwestern.edu)

- **Center for Community Health Manuscript Writing Retreat:** Mar 20, 2014, 9am-4:30pm – 750 N Lake Shore Drive, Northwestern University Chicago Campus. Community and academic partners and partnerships
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- **Society for Public Health Education (SOPHE) 65th Annual Meeting: Discovery 2014: New Health Education, Strategies, Connections & Ideas – March 19-21, Baltimore, MD** - Share your research findings, program impacts, policy changes, perspectives, and expertise with the health education and health promotion professional community. Details: www.sophe.org/call_for_abstracts.cfm

- **Northwestern University Qualitative Research Interest Group Meeting – Mar 21, 12-1pm – Qualitative Grant Writing (Intro to Grants – Part I).** Details: trime@northwestern.edu

- **Translational Science Meeting, April 9-11, Washington, D.C.** The meeting offers a variety of ways for you to share your experiences, challenges and fresh approaches with professionals from around the country. Submit your research to be presented at the meeting. Details: http://translationalsciencemeeting2014.abstractcentral.com/

- **Northwestern University Qualitative Research Interest Group Meeting – Apr 18, 12-1pm – PCORI Grants/Skill-building (Grants – Part II).** Details: trime@northwestern.edu

- **3rd National Community Partner Forum, April 29-30 in Chicago!** This Forum, sponsored by the Community Network for Research Equity and Impact, will be held right before the CCPH conference (Apr 30-May 3, see below). Supported in part by funding from the NIH National Institute of Minority Health and Health Disparities, the forum will have tracks for community members who are new to research & those with more experience, with special interest groups for CTSA community partners & for those interested in community-based Institutional Review Boards (IRBs). Free to attend. Registration open now: https://ccph.memberclicks.net/registration. Details: https://ccph.memberclicks.net/community-network-for-research-equity---impact

- **Community-Campus Partnerships for Health (CCPH) Spring 2014 Conference in Chicago. April 30 – May 3, 2014.** Founded in 1996, CCPH is a non-profit membership organization that promotes health equity and social justice through partnerships between communities and academic institutions. Whether you are directly involved in community-based participatory research, service-learning or other community-campus partnerships - or are working to ensure the conditions are in place for such partnerships to thrive and have impact - CCPH conference are designed to challenge and inspire you! Regardless of the social justice issue you are passionate about - health equity, education, environmental justice, food security, sustainability, indigenous rights and so forth - together we will explore how to leverage partnerships to create change. Conference core partners include Northwestern Medicine, the University of Chicago Medicine, DePaul University, and supporting partner, the Adler School of Professional Psychology. Over 100 Chicago-area community organizations and academic institutions have already subscribed to a local planning listserv at http://bit.ly/OznkRb. Details and Registration is Now Open: http://ccph.info.

- **Northwestern University Qualitative Research Interest Group Meeting – May 16, 12-1pm – Feedback session.** Details: trime@northwestern.edu

- **Center for Community Health Manuscript Writing Retreat: May 20, 2014, 9am-4:30pm** – 750 N Lake Shore Drive, Northwestern University Chicago Campus. Community and academic partners and partnerships are invited to participate in next year’s quarterly writing retreats hosted by the Center for Community Health (CCH). These are not educational workshops but dedicated space and time for attendees to focus on their own manuscripts. Faculty and staff (including CCH Associate Director, Darius Tandon), will be on hand to share publishing experience, answer questions, and provide guidance as needed. RSVP: cch@northwestern.edu. Details: http://planitpurple.northwestern.edu/event/444668/ToP3O0Sn


- **Northwestern University Qualitative Research Interest Group Meeting – June 20, 12-1pm – Publishing.** Details: trime@northwestern.edu
Grant Opportunities

- **Call for Proposals: PCORI (Patient Centered Outcomes Research Initiative) Pipeline to Proposal Grants** - Individuals and small groups of patients, clinicians, researchers, and other healthcare stakeholders in 13 western states may begin submitting proposals for "Tier I" awards up to $15,000 each. Up to 25 awards through this pilot to provide seed money to encourage individuals and groups not usually involved in research to partner and develop research ideas based on their shared interests. **This round is only open to the Western region but similar call open nationally to this will be open soon.** Details: [http://www.pcori.org/blog/opening-a-pipeline-to-patient-centered-research-proposals/](http://www.pcori.org/blog/opening-a-pipeline-to-patient-centered-research-proposals/)

- **NIH: Translational Research to Improve Diabetes and Obesity Outcomes (R01).** This opportunity encourages proposals to test practical, sustainable, and cost efficient adaptations of efficacious strategies or approaches to prevent and treat diabetes and/or obesity. Research focused on the prevention or reversal of obesity, prevention of type 2 diabetes, improved care of type 1 and type 2 diabetes, or the prevention or delay of the complications of these conditions is encouraged. **Approaches tested should have the potential for wide dissemination and implementation outside of an academic setting such as in routine clinical practice or communities at risk. Deadlines:** Feb 5, Jun 5 **Details:** [http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-13-352.html](http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-13-352.html)

- **NIH: Research on the Health Determinants and Consequences of Violence and its Prevention, Particularly Firearm Violence (R01, R03, R21):** NIH developed this call for proposals in response to the Presidential memorandum ([www.whitehouse.gov/the-press-office/2013/01/16/presidential-memorandum-engaging-public-health-research-causes-and-preve](http://www.whitehouse.gov/the-press-office/2013/01/16/presidential-memorandum-engaging-public-health-research-causes-and-preve)). NIH plans to fund research projects over the next three years beginning in fiscal year 2014 into the causes and consequences of violence as it relates to the health of individuals and communities. The goal is to identify evidence-based strategies for preventing violence and incorporating them into clinical and community settings. Particular consideration will be given to applications that propose studies of the intersection that focus on the various types of violence (homicide, suicide, youth and gang-related, intimate partner) and firearms. **Priorities on research that includes meaningful partnerships between researchers and community-based professionals in law enforcement, criminal justice and public health for developing evidence-based interventions to reduce violence. Details:** [http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-13-363.html](http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-13-363.html). **Details:** Feb 5/16, Jun 5/16.

- **NIH: Research to Action: Assessing and Addressing Community Exposures to Environmental Contaminants (R01):** This opportunity encourages applications using community-engaged research methods to investigate potential health risks of environmental exposures of concern to the community and to implement an environmental public health action plan based on research findings. Overall goal is to support changes to prevent or reduce exposure to harmful environmental exposures and improve the health of a community. **Deadline:** Feb 5, Jun 5 **Details:** [http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-12-153.html](http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-12-153.html)

- **NIH: Behavioral and Social Science Research on Understanding and Reducing Health Disparities (R01 & R21)** - Seeking behavioral and social science research on the causes and solutions to health and disabilities disparities in the US population. Emphasis is placed on research in and among three broad areas of action: 1) public policy, 2) health care, and 3) disease/disability prevention. Particular attention is given to reducing “health gaps” among groups. Applications using interdisciplinary approach, investigate multiple levels of analysis, incorporate a life-course perspective, and/or employ innovative methods such as systems science or **community-based participatory research** are particularly encouraged. **Deadline:** Feb 5/16, Jun 5/16. **Details:** [http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-13-292.html](http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-13-292.html)

- **NIH: Implications of New Digital Media Use for Underage Drinking, Drinking-Related Behaviors, and Prevention Research (R01 and R21)** - Seeking investigations of whether, and how, heavy involvement in new digital media usage, particularly social media and social networking sites, may influence adolescent alcohol use and drinking patterns, as well as drinking-related problems. Also encourages applications proposing to explore the ways in which new digital media may be utilized as platforms for preventive interventions aimed at underage drinking and related problems. **Deadline:** Feb 5/16, Jun 5/16 **Details:** [http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-13-262.html](http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-13-262.html)

- **NIH: Research to Characterize and Reduce Stigma to Improve Health (R21, R03, R01)** - Encourages applications to characterize the role of stigma in health, life course development, and aging, both in the U.S. and globally, and to test interventions to prevent or reduce the impact of stigma at the individual, community, health care system, and policy levels. The goal is to promote research addressing the health-

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related aspects of stigma, including the etiology and perpetuation of stigma; its impact on physical and mental health, well-being, life course development, and aging; its influence on health behaviors and on use, access to, and quality of received healthcare services; its contribution to health disparities affecting vulnerable demographic groups; and intervention strategies to reduce health-related stigma and/or the negative health and life course developmental impacts of stigma. **Deadline:** Feb 5/16, Jun 5/16  

- **NIH: Addressing Health Disparities in NIDDK Diseases (R01):** National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK) seeks research to improve understanding of the causes of high priority diseases in the US and to develop and test more effective interventions for reducing/eliminating health disparities. Research is encouraged in following high priority diseases: diabetes, obesity, nutrition-related disorders, hepatitis C, gallbladder disease, *H. Pylori* infection, sickle cell disease, kidney diseases, urologic diseases, hematologic diseases, metabolic, gastrointestinal, hepatic, and renal complications from infection with HIV. **Deadlines:** Feb 5.  

- **NIH: Understanding and Promoting Health Literacy (R01/R03/R21):** To encourage methodological, intervention and dissemination research for understanding and promoting health literacy. Health literacy is defined as the degree to which individuals have the capacity to obtain, process, and understand basic health information and services needed to make appropriate health decisions. **Deadlines:** Feb 5/16.  

- **NIH Grant Announcement: Health Promotion Among Racial and Ethnic Minority Males (R01 and R21)** This initiative seeks applications from applicants that propose to stimulate and expand research in the health of minority men. Specifically to: 1) enhance our understanding of the numerous factors (e.g., sociodemographic, community, societal, personal) influencing the health promoting behaviors of racial and ethnic minority males and their subpopulations across the life cycle, and 2) encourage applications focusing on the development and testing of culturally and linguistically appropriate health-promoting interventions designed to reduce health disparities among racially and ethnically diverse males and their subpopulations age 21 and older. **Deadline:** Feb 5/16, Jun 5/16.  

- **NIH: Innovative Measurement Tools for Community Engaged Research Efforts (R01) (R21).** This announcement seeks to develop innovative measurement tools for community engaged research (CEnR) efforts. The use of CEnR methodologies, such as community-based participatory, community-based, and practice-based research are regarded as valid approaches to prevent disease and promote health. **Deadline:** Feb 5/16, Jun 5/16.  

- **AHRQ: Deliberative Approaches: Patient and Consumer Input for Implementing Evidence-Based Health Care (R21).** Deliberative methods offer means to gain insight into patient and public views that can inform and improve clinical, program, and policy decisions in health care. The purpose of this FOA is to use deliberative methods to understand and clarify important public or patient values and concerns that affect the implementation of specific interventions, programs or policies to improve health care or research. **Deadline:** Feb 7.  

- **NIH: Home and Family Based Approaches for the Prevention or Management of Overweight or Obesity in Early Childhood (R01/R21).** This grant is seeking applications that propose randomized clinical trials testing novel home- or family-based interventions for the prevention or management of overweight in infancy and early childhood. Tested interventions can use behavioral (including dietary and physical activity), environmental, or other relevant approaches. **Deadline:** Mar 5/16.  

- **Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI) Funding Opportunities:** Diverse opportunities for both academic researchers and patient/caregiver/stakeholder groups. Includes Assessment of Prevention, Diagnosis, and Treatment Options, Improving Healthcare Systems, Communication and Dissemination Research, Addressing Disparities, Improving Methods for Conducting Patient-Centered Outcomes Research. Also offered are Eugene Washington PCORI Engagement Awards focused on actively integrating parts in the research process. **Deadlines:** LOI/March 7 & Application/May 6.  
  **Details:** [http://www.pcori.org/funding-opportunities/funding-announcements/upcoming-opportunities/](http://www.pcori.org/funding-opportunities/funding-announcements/upcoming-opportunities/)

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Calls for Papers/Proposals/Other Opportunities

- **Pre-Submission Peer Review for NIH Proposals for Northwestern Researchers**: Now soliciting the second round for applications with deadlines in January and February. Reviewers will be NIH-funded Northwestern faculty who have significant experience with peer review. Aims page draft should be submitted 2.5 months before submission deadline. Full proposal draft should be submitted 1.5 months before the deadline. They will be individually customized to the scientific and/or career development activities being proposed. This new offering is intended to complement, not replace, other guidance on developing and writing successful research proposals, such as the Grant Writers Groups led by Dr. McGee, departmental/division mentoring and peer review activities, and general collegial support. **Details**: [http://www.feinberg.northwestern.edu/sites/cch/funding/Peer%20Review%20for%20NIH%20Proposals.html](http://www.feinberg.northwestern.edu/sites/cch/funding/Peer%20Review%20for%20NIH%20Proposals.html)

- **Kaiser Permanente Burch Minority Leadership Development Program Announcement** – Goal: to enhance the voices and leadership development of junior minority researchers committed to improving service to the underserved and reducing health and healthcare inequalities by strengthening support for public hospitals and other safety net providers, as well as addressing the social determinants of health. It is also a goal of this program to develop and sustain a more diverse pool of leaders and experts with access to the federal health policy community. **Details**: bkrimgold@altfutures.org


- **Call for Papers**: The *International Public Health Journal* intends to publish a special issue that addresses the theme: Contributions of interprofessional collaborations in improving community-based public health and/or health care issues. This theme is intended for academicians, community leaders, public health and health care practitioners, and researchers who work on public health and/or health care issues in diverse urban and/or rural communities across the globe so that evidence-based and practical solutions that have improved the health of their populations can be shared. This work may have come about as a result of interventions, policy development, unique collaborations, education and health literacy initiatives, research endeavors, systems change, etc. **Deadline**: Dec 15. **Details**: [http://www.icmje.org/index.html](http://www.icmje.org/index.html)

- **Call for Northwestern University Lurie Cancer Center Cancer Support-Team Awards**: The goals of these awards are to increase research in cancer prevention, control and survivorship, to foster the development of new interdisciplinary research teams that focus upon important problems and do so in a novel and effective manner, and to provide a pathway by which investigators can generate preliminary information that will serve to optimize their chances of successfully competing for national level peer reviewed funding. Two awards, up to $50K each are anticipated. Projects must focus on a single problem relevant to cancer prevention, control and/or survivorship. **Deadline**: Dec 19. **Details**: [http://cancer.northwestern.edu/research/research_programs/basic_sciences/programs_themes/funding.cfm](http://cancer.northwestern.edu/research/research_programs/basic_sciences/programs_themes/funding.cfm)

- **Call for Applications: Executive Leadership in Academic Medicine (ELAM)** - ELAM® program open for 2014-15 applications. ELAM, core unit of the Center for Executive Leadership in Academics, is dedicated to preparing senior women faculty, at associate professor or higher level, who want to assume higher levels of responsibility within their institution to advance to positions of leadership. **Deadline**: Jan 16, 2014. **Details**: [http://www.drexelmed.edu/Home/OtherPrograms/ExecutiveLeadershipinAcademicMedicine/ApplicationInformation.aspx](http://www.drexelmed.edu/Home/OtherPrograms/ExecutiveLeadershipinAcademicMedicine/ApplicationInformation.aspx)

- **Northwestern University Medical Spanish Spring 2014**. Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine Office of Diversity is offering Medical Spanish classes & workshops in partnership with Northwestern Memorial Hospital’s NM Academy and the Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Mexico (UNAM) Chicago extension. Classes are open to health professions graduate students at Feinberg (MD, MPH, MA, PhD, DPT), and FSM faculty and staff through the Office of Diversity/UNAM. Employees from all affiliated hospitals and clinics are also eligible to enroll. First-come-first-served. **Deadline**: Jan 16. **Details**: [http://www.feinberg.northwestern.edu/diversity/programs/spanish.html](http://www.feinberg.northwestern.edu/diversity/programs/spanish.html)
• **Call for Abstracts:** Translational Science Meeting 2014 - Posters may be submitted for the following categories:
  o **T0: Basic Scientific Discovery** - Preclinical or "bench" research directed at mechanisms and presentations of human disease
  o **T1: Translation to Humans** - Testing basic science discoveries for clinical effect and/or applicability
  o **T2: Translation to Patients** - Testing new interventions in human subjects under controlled environments to form the basis for clinical applications and evidence-based guidelines
  o **T3: Translation to Practice** - Research on the application of new interventions or therapies in general practice; research that yields knowledge on best ways to implement new medical interventions in the clinic
  o **T4: Translation to Population** - Investigations of factors and/or interventions that influence the health of populations

  **Deadline:** Jan, 29, 2014. **Details & submission:**

• **Call for Applications:** Paid Health Disparities Summer Research Opportunity for Students. Michigan Institute for Clinical and Health Research (MICHR) Health Disparities Summer Program for Students - Paid intensive summer research experience for graduate students in all health sciences fields from across U.S. Researchers from diverse specialties and backgrounds are needed to design and conduct relevant studies to address health disparities, and to translate findings into individual, community, and policy interventions. This 10-week immersion program runs early Jun – mid Aug and supports 8 students in a summer experience designed to engage them in health disparities research practice and inspire them to choose a career focused on eliminating health disparities. **Deadline:** Feb 4 **Details:**
  [http://www.michr.umich.edu/education/predoctoral/hdsummer](http://www.michr.umich.edu/education/predoctoral/hdsummer)

• **Call for Applications:** RWJF Clinical Scholars Releases Call for Applications. For more than 3 decades, the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Clinical Scholars program has fostered the development of physicians who are leading the transformation of U.S. health and health care through positions in academic medicine, public health, and other leadership roles. The goal of the program is to integrate scholars’ clinical expertise with training in program development and research methods to help them find solutions for the challenges posed by the U.S. health care system and the health of U.S. communities. The program offers master’s degree graduate-level study and research in a university-based, post-residency training program. The program generally involves two years of study with generous protected time for research. **Deadline:** Feb 24 **Details:**

• **Call for Papers:** CBPR: Focus on Children and Adolescents – Family & Community Health (FCH) is soliciting manuscripts for an issue on CBPR focused on children and adolescents. The purpose of this issue is to highlight family and community health-related CBPR projects focused specifically on youth as partners in the research process. Manuscripts submitted to this issue may highlight one, several, or all of the phases of CBPR. **Deadline:** April 1. **Details:**
  [http://journals.lww.com/familyandcommunityhealth/pages/default.aspx](http://journals.lww.com/familyandcommunityhealth/pages/default.aspx)

**Resources**

• **Video Highlights Residents and Chicago Area Health Inequities.** Available: [http://youtu.be/GYmtREA3Lkc](http://youtu.be/GYmtREA3Lkc) and [https://www.facebook.com/ccplacematters](https://www.facebook.com/ccplacematters). Provides background images and resident perspectives about the fact that "where you live affects how long you live". The ten minute video is an educational tool produced by the Cook County PLACE MATTERS team. The video reflects Cook County PLACE MATTERS emphasis on the need for collective action to address inequalities in the distribution of power, money and resources.

• **New Website: Community Campus Partnerships for Health** – CCPH is excited to announce launch of their new website: [https://ccph.memberclicks.net/](https://ccph.memberclicks.net/). **Provide feedback by taking this quick survey:**