Events

- **All of Us Research Program Launch Event, May 6.** Join Northwestern Medicine and partners for the official launch of the All of Us Research Program in Millennium Park. The All of Us Research Program wants to speed up health research and medical breakthroughs. Grab your family and friends for an afternoon of community, conversation, and more! Hear from community leaders and guests, watch special performances, and learn how you can transform the future of health. Free and open to the public. Details: [https://www.eventbrite.com/e/all-of-us-research-program-launch-event-tickets-45203540005](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/all-of-us-research-program-launch-event-tickets-45203540005).

- **Empowering Youth To Speak Up & Speak Out, May 17.** This session of the University of Chicago's Community Grand Rounds will be a youth-focused and youth-led World Cafe. World Cafe is a structured conversational process for knowledge sharing in which groups of people discuss a topic at several tables, with individuals switching tables periodically and getting introduced to the previous discussion at their new table by a "table host". Topics will include: Anxiety/Depression/Suicide, Lack of Resources in Schools, Obesity, Community Violence/Homicides. ARCC is a co-sponsor. Details: [https://bit.ly/2wcX50i](https://bit.ly/2wcX50i).

- **Latina Women in Academia: Challenges & Strategies for Academic Success, May 21.** Join Chicago-based members of the Latina Researcher Network for a presentation from Dr. Aida Giachello’s followed by dialogue and networking. Details: [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeHIHFV6osyECYNqQOllelxtg94e5KUi2zzM5naUYMLHPCjw/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeHIHFV6osyECYNqQOllelxtg94e5KUi2zzM5naUYMLHPCjw/viewform).

- **Strengthening Chicago’s Youth (SCY) Quarterly Meeting: Using Data to Prevent Violence, May 31.** This meeting will focus on the many ways that research and data can be used in violence prevention. A panel discussion and action-oriented breakout groups will examine how data can be used to describe the incidence of violence, the context in which violence occurs and explore the impact of violence. Join SCY and partners across Chicago to explore the role you and your organization can play in addressing these related issues, discuss asset-based solutions, and promote the health and healing of all Chicagoans. Details: [https://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/eventReg?oeidk=a07ef27mhr701660053&oseq=&c=&ch=](https://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/eventReg?oeidk=a07ef27mhr701660053&oseq=&c=&ch=).

- **Home & Community-Based Service Agency Academic Partnership: A Research Engagement Workshop, June 8.** HAPEER: Home Care Aides Patient Centered Education and Engagement with Research and Northwestern University are hosting this session to bring agencies and researchers together with home care aides, clients, and informal caregivers who have engaged in a Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI)-funded research project to discuss lessons learned. ARCC Director Jen Brown will be speaking. Details: [https://www.regonline.com/builder/site/Default.aspx?EventID=2206237&](https://www.regonline.com/builder/site/Default.aspx?EventID=2206237&).

- **8th International Conference on Patient- and Family-Centered Care: Promoting Health Equity and Reducing Disparities, June 11-13, 2018, Baltimore.** Will feature programs and strategies that address disparities in health and health care, as well as programs that are dedicated to collaboration among health care professionals, patients, and families to address the challenges in complex health care systems. Provides opportunities to share innovations at the direct care level as well as the organizational, community, regional, and national levels. Details: [http://ipfcc.org/events/conference.html](http://ipfcc.org/events/conference.html).

- **Connecting the Dots: Racism, Mental Health, & Maternal Mortality: Lake County, June 12.** EverThrive Illinois will facilitate a conversation on current research and trends in maternal mortality and discuss what is needed in Lake County to address this crisis. This conversation will inform statewide efforts to reduce maternal mortality and ensure that the lived experiences of Lake County women are included. Details: [http://www.everthriveil.org/eventconnecting-dots-racism-mental-health-maternal-mortality](http://www.everthriveil.org/eventconnecting-dots-racism-mental-health-maternal-mortality).

- **Building Racial Equity Training, July 17 & 19, 2018.** Race Forward’s interactive training is for those who wish to sharpen their skills and strategies to address structural racism and advance racial equity. Unlike
Grant Opportunities

- **Donaghue Foundation Greater Value Portfolio 2018 Grants.** The goal is to test approaches and tools that organizations can readily use to improve the value of the healthcare they provide to their patients and communities. For 2018, the program will place greater emphasis on research that is closely linked to ongoing improvement initiatives geared to achieving greater healthcare value in organizations that deliver healthcare services. **LOIs due:** May 3. Details: [http://donaghue.org/grant-opportunities/greater-value-portfolio/](http://donaghue.org/grant-opportunities/greater-value-portfolio/).

- **City of Chicago Community Development Grants.** Community-based agencies can submit for millions of local, state, & federal dollars for programs funded through City of Chicago funds, the State of IL Foreclosure Prevention & Emergency & Transitional Housing Funds, & Federal pass-through Community Development Block Grant, Emergency Solutions Grant, & Community Services Block Grant. **Deadline:** May 31. Details: [https://www.cityofchicago.org/content/dam/city/depts/dps/isupplier/training/2019_2020_CDGA_RFP_Book.pdf](https://www.cityofchicago.org/content/dam/city/depts/dps/isupplier/training/2019_2020_CDGA_RFP_Book.pdf).

- **Northwestern’s Center for Primary Care Innovation Faculty Research Catalyzer.** The Center offers support to Feinberg School of Medicine Faculty, Residents, & Fellows for research in primary care, in areas of internal medicine, pediatrics and family medicine. The purpose of this peer reviewed grant is to provide research support to NU faculty or residents & fellows with designated faculty mentor who are a) collecting preliminary data to support a future grant submission and/or b) supplemental support for ongoing sponsored-research for work outside aims and/or scope of work of funded project. **Deadline:** May 31. Details: [http://www.surveygizmo.com/s3/3107209/The-Center-for-Primary-Care-Innovation-Faculty-Research-Catalyzer](http://www.surveygizmo.com/s3/3107209/The-Center-for-Primary-Care-Innovation-Faculty-Research-Catalyzer).

- **Chicago Dept. of Public Health RFP for Healthy Families Illinois.** Aligned with Healthy Chicago 2.0, Healthy Families Illinois supports: health outcomes specifically related to strengthening child and adolescent health, and to the overall goal of creating a city with strong communities and equitable access to resources, opportunities, and environments that maximize health and well-being of mothers and infants by facilitating access to positive parenting and child development resources to prevent child maltreatment. **Deadline:** Jun 5.

- **Northwestern University Clinical & Translation Sciences (NUCATS) Institute Pilot Awards.** These awards of up to $10,000 address the small gaps in clinical and translational research that are not funded by other sources. **Includes pilots focused on Research Dissemination & Implementation.** **Deadline:** June 15. Details: [http://nucats.northwestern.edu/funding/pilot-funding/nucats-voucher-and-pilot-programs.html](http://nucats.northwestern.edu/funding/pilot-funding/nucats-voucher-and-pilot-programs.html).

- **Robert Wood Johnson Foundation RWJF: Evidence for Action: Investigator-Initiated Research to Build a Culture of Health.** Aims to provide individuals, organizations, communities, policymakers, & researchers with empirical evidence needed to address key determinants of health encompassed in Culture of Health Action Framework. Will also support efforts to assess outcomes & set priorities for action by encouraging and supporting creative, rigorous research on the impact of innovative programs, policies and partnerships on health and well-being, & on novel approaches to measuring health determinants and outcomes. Approx. $2.2 million awarded annually. Expect 5-12 grants/year for periods of up to 30 months. **Deadline:** Rolling. Details: [http://bit.ly/1KQES8c](http://bit.ly/1KQES8c).


- **Northwestern Interdisciplinary Program 1-2-3 Seed Funding Program.** Office for Research & Dean’s seed-funding platform to cultivate investigator-initiated visionary "Big Ideas." Designed to enable faculty to "jump start" bold, innovative science. 3-tiers of non-sequential, funds that address different needs: Ideas (I1), Innovative Initiatives (I2) and Innovative Initiatives Incubators (I3). Funding & guidance to bring together new teams and shepherd "Big Science" from idea inception to securing external funding and

"diversity trainings" which primarily focus on interpersonal relations and understanding, this emphasizes how to challenge and change institutional racial inequities. **Details:** [https://www.raceforward.org/trainings](https://www.raceforward.org/trainings).


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possible maturation into University Research Center, focusing on interdisciplinary, innovation, & societal impact. In addition, program will provide project management, assistance in identifying funding opps, proposal development & Team-Science guidance. Ideas (I1): up to $1K for 1-day workshop to brainstorm new, interdisciplinary Ideas, by bringing together key faculty including external collaborators, staff & students. Innovative Initiatives (I2): Up to $15K to cover expenses pertinent to preparation of large proposal for external funding. Incubators (I3): Up to $60K for up to 2 years to assemble team, develop collaboration track record, generate pilot data, submit large-center grant. Deadlines: I1 & I2: rolling basis. I3: annual call. Details: http://www.research.northwestern.edu/interdisciplinary123/

National Institutes of Health (NIH) Funding

- **Youth Violence Prevention Interventions that Incorporate Racism/Discrimination Prevention (R01).** To support research to develop and test youth violence prevention interventions that incorporate racism/discrimination prevention strategies for one or more health disparity populations. The target age range includes middle school to high school-aged youth, corresponding to an approximate age range of 11-18. It is expected that projects will involve collaborations from a variety of relevant organizations or groups, including but not limited to academic institutions, health service providers and systems, state and local public health agencies, school systems, school-based student or parent associations, community-based organizations, and faith-based organizations. NIMHD intends to commit $3.5 million in FY2018 to fund 4-5 awards. Budgets limited to $500K direct costs annually for max 5 years. Details: https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/paragraphs/PA-18-005.html Expires: 5/26/18

- **Strategies to Increase Delivery of Guideline-Based Care to Populations with Health Disparities (R01)** Innovative and feasible studies to test strategies to accelerate the adoption of guideline-based recommendations into clinical practice among populations with health disparities. Applications that propose strategies with a focus on providers who care for clinical populations with excess burden of cardiovascular, lung, blood, and sleep diseases and disorders, in concert with the health care delivery systems in which they practice, are strongly encouraged. Applications that test systems, infrastructures, and strategies to implement guideline-based care for NHLBI disorders in clinical care settings are also of high programmatic interest. https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/paragraphs/PA-18-133.html Expires 6/22/18

- **The Health of Sexual and Gender Minority (SGM) Populations (R01, R03, R21, R15):** The National Institutes of Health (NIH) is committed to supporting research that will increase scientific understanding of the health status of diverse population groups and thereby improve the effectiveness of health interventions and services for individuals within those groups. Priority is placed on understudied populations with distinctive health risk profiles. This funding opportunity announcement (FOA) focuses on sexual and gender minority (SGM) populations, including lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and intersex populations. Basic, social, behavioral, clinical, and services research relevant to the missions of the sponsoring Institutes and Centers may be proposed. Details: https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/paragraphs/PA-18-037.html Expires 9/8/18

- **Arts-Based Approaches in Palliative Care for Symptom Management (R01):** Support mechanistic clinical studies aimed at understanding the impact of arts-based approaches in palliative care for symptom management. Expires 9/8/18 Details: http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/paragraphs/PA-14-294.html

- **Research on Informal and Formal Caregiving for Alzheimer’s Disease (R01/R21):** Supports basic & translational research on caregiving for individuals with Alzheimer’s disease (AD), at the individual, family, community, & population level. Scope includes interventions to reduce caregiver burden & improve patient outcomes across various settings; population- & community-based research on the scope & impact of AD caregiving; improved characterization of informal & formal caregiving and the burden of caregiving across the full spectrum of the disease, including differences among socioeconomic, racial/ethnic and geographic sub-populations; and research addressing the unique challenges related to the provision of advanced AD care, including disparities in access to care. Expires 9/8/18 Details: http://1.usa.gov/1JmZUoW Expires 5/8/19

- **Health Disparities and Alzheimer’s Disease (AD) (R01/R03):** Supports studies on health disparities in AD & related disorders. Should include the study of biological, behavioral, sociocultural, and environmental factors that influence population level health differences. Approaches of interest include 1) improving recruitment and retention of populations underrepresented in AD research, 2) identifying priority factors or locating pathways and mechanisms that create and sustain AD health disparities, 3) addressing challenges faced by
informal/family caregivers from diverse racial, ethnic and socioeconomic backgrounds associated with growing population of individuals with AD, and 4) understanding disparities in access to and utilization of formal long-term supports and services for those with dementia. Expires 9/8/18 Details: http://1.usa.gov/1NORdJF

- **Time-Sensitive Obesity Policy and Program Evaluation (R01):** Accelerated review/ award process to support time-sensitive research to evaluate new policy or program likely to influence obesity related behaviors (e.g., dietary intake, physical activity, or sedentary behavior) and/or weight outcomes in effort to prevent or reduce obesity. Must demonstrate that evaluation of an obesity related policy and/or program offers uncommon and scientifically compelling research opportunity only available if initiated with minimum delay. Selected apps awarded within 4 mos. of due date. Details: http://1.usa.gov/1YzmTbQ Expires 9/14/18

- **Clinical Trials to Test the Effectiveness of Treatment, Preventive, and Services Interventions (R01, R61/33, R33, R34):** Support clinical trials to establish the effectiveness of interventions and to test hypotheses regarding moderators, mediators, and mechanisms of action of these interventions. Supports clinical trials designed to test the therapeutic value of treatment and preventive interventions for which there is already evidence of efficacy, for use in community and practice settings. Also supports clinical trials to test patient-, provider-, organizational-, or systems-level services interventions to improve access, continuity, quality, equity, and/or value of services. The intervention research covered under this announcement is explicitly focused on practice-relevant questions. Given the focus on practice-relevant questions in community and practice settings, collaborations between academic researchers and clinical or community practice partners or networks are expected. When possible, studies should capitalize on existing infrastructure (e.g., practice-based research networks such as the NIMH-sponsored Mental Health Research Network (MHRN), electronic medical records, administrative data bases, patient registries, institutions with CTSAs). **Expires:** 10/16/18 Details: https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-MH-18-701.html

- **Social Epigenomics Research Focused on Minority Health & Health Disparities (R01):** Support & accelerate human epigenomic investigations focused on identifying & characterizing mechanisms by which social experiences at various stages in life, both positive & negative, affect gene function & thereby influence health trajectories or modify disease risk in racial/ethnic minority & health disparity populations. **Details:** https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-16-355.html Expires: 11/16/18

- **Examination of Survivorship Care Planning Efficacy & Impact (R01, R21):** Stimulate research evaluating effect of care planning on self-management of late effects of cancer therapy; adherence to medications, cancer screening, & health behavior guidelines; utilization of follow-up care; survivors’ health & psychosocial outcomes. How organizational-level factors influence implementation of care planning & associated costs also of interest. Details: https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-18-002.html Expires: 1/8/19

- **Education and Health: New Frontiers (R01):** Research that will further elucidate the pathways involved in the relationship between education and health outcomes and in doing so to carefully identify the specific aspects and qualities of education that are responsible for this relationship and what the mediating factors are that affect the nature of the causal relationship. **Details:** http://1.usa.gov/1ZxRF7Y Expires 1/8/19

- **Mechanisms of Disparities in Chronic Liver Diseases and Cancer (R01 and R21):** Support multidisciplinary research to understand the underlying etiologic factors and the mechanisms that result in disparities in chronic liver diseases and cancer in the US. Expires 4/5/19. **Details:** https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-17-151.html.

- **Intervening with Cancer Caregivers to Improve Patient Health Outcomes and Optimize Health Care Utilization (R01 & R21).** Intervention research designed to support caregivers of adult cancer patients. Interventions supported by this FOA are intended to provide caregivers with care training, promote coping skills, and ultimately help them manage care. Outcomes of such interventions are expected to 1) optimize patient health care utilization, 2) improve caregiver well-being, & 3) improve patient physical health and psychosocial outcomes. **Collaboration of diverse stakeholders** (i.e., clinicians, researchers, administrators, patients, & caregivers) in development of interventions is also encouraged. **Studies targeting or expanding inclusion of medically underserved and underrepresented patient-caregiver populations, such as patients with less-common tumor types, racial/ethnic minorities, socioeconomically disadvantaged, rural populations, & sexual/gender minorities will be given special consideration. Studies that include caregivers of individuals with cancer and concurrent comorbidities are strongly encouraged.** [https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-18-246.html](https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-18-246.html) Expires 4/12/2019

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• **Health Services Research on Minority Health & Health Disparities (R01):** Encouraging innovative health services research that can directly & demonstrably contribute to improvement of minority health and/or the reduction of health disparities at health care system-level & within clinical settings. Details: [http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-16-221.html](http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-16-221.html). Expires 4/12/19

• **Dissemination and Implementation Research in Health (R01, R03, R21):** Research to identify, develop, test, evaluate and/or refine strategies to disseminate and implement evidence-based practices (e.g. behavioral interventions; prevention, early detection, diagnostic, treatment and disease management interventions; quality improvement programs) into public health, clinical practice, & community settings. In addition, studies to advance dissemination & implementation research methods & measures are encouraged. Encourage studies that move away from exclusively "top-down" approach to greater emphasis on resources of local care settings & needs of multiple stakeholders, including approaches such as team science, community based participatory research, action research & related frameworks that engage stakeholders and end users throughout the process. Collaborative Research: Applicants encouraged to form trans-disciplinary teams of scientists and practice stakeholders to work together to develop and/or test conceptual models that may be applicable across diverse community and practice settings and patient populations. Details: [https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-16-237.html](https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-16-237.html). Expires 5/8/19.

• **Research to Actions: Assessing and Addressing Community Exposures to Environmental Contaminants (R01):** Encourages applications using community-engaged research methods to investigate the potential health risks of environmental exposures of concern to the community and to implement an environmental public health action plan based on research findings. The overall goal is to support changes to prevent or reduce exposure to harmful environmental exposures and improve the health of a community. Details: [http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-16-083.html](http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-16-083.html). Expires 5/8/19

• **Obesity Policy Evaluation Research (R01):** Seeking applications that propose to evaluate policies or large scale programs that are expected to influence obesity related behaviors (e.g., dietary intake, physical activity, or sedentary behavior) and/or weight outcomes have the potential to prevent or reduce rates of obesity. Details: [http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-16-165.html](http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-16-165.html). Expires 5/8/19

• **Stimulating Innovations in Behavioral Intervention Research for Cancer Prevention and Control (R21):** To provide support for development of innovative interventions that improve cancer-related health behaviors across diverse racial/ethnic populations. Specifically, intended to stimulate research aimed at 1) testing new theories & conceptual frameworks; 2) developing & evaluating novel strategies to improve cancer-related health behaviors; 3) investigating multi-level & multi-behavioral approaches; & 4) utilizing innovative research designs, methodologies, and technologies. Cancer-related health behaviors to be targeted are diet, obesity, physical activity & sedentary behavior, smoking, sleep & circadian dysfunction, alcohol use, &/or adherence to cancer-related medical regimens. Research can involve any aspect of the cancer continuum & any phase of translational spectrum. Details: [http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-16-278.html](http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-16-278.html). Expires 5/8/19

• **Diet and Physical Activity Assessment Methodology (R01):** Seeking innovative research to enhance the quality of measurements of dietary intake and physical activity. Encouraged to include development of: novel assessment approaches; better methods to evaluate instruments; assessment tools for culturally diverse populations or various age groups, including children and older adults; improved technology or applications of existing technology; statistical methods/modeling to improve assessment and/or to correct for measurement errors or biases; methods to investigate the multidimensionality of diet and physical activity behavior through pattern analysis; or integrated measurement of diet and physical activity along with the environmental context of such behaviors. Details: [http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-16-167.html](http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-16-167.html). Expires 5/8/19

• **Understanding Factors in Infancy & Early Childhood (Birth to 24 months) that Influence Obesity Development (R01):** Seeking proposals to characterize or identify factors in early childhood (birth-24 mos) that may increase or mitigate risk for obesity and/or excessive weight gain and/or to fill methodological research gaps relevant to understanding of risk for development of obesity in children. Details: [http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-16-169.html](http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-16-169.html). Expires 5/8/19

• **Population Health Interventions (PHIs): Integrating Individual and Group Level Evidence (R01 & R21) –** To improve health and reduce disease burden, scientific research is best implemented at the biological, clinical and population level. The goal is to promote research that aims to integrate individual factors with community and environmental factors. Population health studies focus on the "upstream" level determinants of

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health – those basic and primary social factors that are fundamental to group level differences in health outcomes. PHIs provide a way to advance health by linking research at a variety of different levels and allows for the consideration of scale in accounting for human interaction and environmental factors simultaneously. Details: http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-16-146.html. Expires 5/8/19

- **Surgical Disparities Research (R01 & R21).** Investigative & collaborative research focused on understanding & addressing disparities in surgical care & outcomes, in minority & health disparity populations. While 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. *Research methods could include Participatory engagement of stakeholders (hospitals, surgical facilities, patients and caregivers, clinicians, surgical care teams, community groups, administrators, policymakers) in the formulation of the research and to the extent necessary, in the implementation of the research.* [https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-18-288.html](https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-18-288.html) Expires 6/8/2019

- **Methodology & Measurement in Behavioral & Social Sciences (R01 & R21):** Behavioral and social sciences offer significant fundamental insights into the comprehensive understanding of human health, including disease etiology, prevention, treatment, and the promotion of health and well-being. To advance the investigation of behavioral and social factors in health and disease, and enhance the rigor and reproducibility of study results, the participating Institutes and Centers (ICs) invite qualified researchers to submit research grant applications on methodology and measurement in the behavioral and social sciences relevant to the missions of the NIH ICs. Details: [https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-16-260.html](https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-16-260.html). Expires 9/8/19

- **Detecting & Preventing Suicide Behavior, Ideation and Self-Harm in Youth in Contact with the Juvenile Justice System (R01 & R34):** 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 by youth in contact with the juvenile justice system. Inviting 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. *Community-based points of intervention are likely to play a significant role in effective intervention strategies, and might include: behavioral or primary health care settings, educational or vocational settings, family services, etc. Collaboration with multiple stakeholders (e.g. case managers, parole or probation officers, school counselors, peer-counselors, family members, program managers, policy leaders, etc.) can contribute to shaping interventions that can be feasibly delivered and have likelihood of rapid scale-up. The ability to link justice, educational and/or health care data systems may enable assessment of the efficiency and full impact of interventions.* Details: [http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-16-299.html](http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-16-299.html). Expires 9/8/19

- **Strengthening the HIV Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP) Care Continuum through Behavioral, Social, and Implementation Science (R01 & R21).** 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. [https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-18-281.html](https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-18-281.html) Expires: 1/8/2020

- **Addressing Health Disparities through Effective Interventions among Immigrant Populations (R01, R21):** Support innovative research to develop & implement effective interventions to address health disparities among U.S. immigrant populations. Projects should involve collaborations among relevant stakeholders in US immigrant population groups, such as researchers, community organizations, healthcare providers, public health organizations, consumer advocacy groups, and faith-based organizations. As appropriate for the research questions posed, inclusion of key immigrant community members in the conceptualization, planning and implementation of the research is encouraged (but not required) to generate better-informed hypotheses and enhance the translation of the research results into practice. Details: [http://bit.ly/2gc8D7D](http://bit.ly/2gc8D7D) Expires 1/8/20

- **Addressing Health Disparities in NIDDK Diseases (R01).** Research to understand & mitigate health disparities in the development, diagnosis, & treatment of diseases of high priority to National Institute of Diabetes & Digestive & Kidney Diseases (NIDDK). Research is encouraged in the following high priority diseases: diabetes and other endocrine and metabolic diseases; obesity; nutrition-related disorders; hepatitis C; gallbladder disease; H. Pylori infection; complications of sickle cell disease within the NIDDK mission areas; kidney diseases; urologic diseases; metabolic, gastrointestinal, hepatic, and renal complications from...
Medicine identifies epidemic of chronic condition as nation's leading health challenge and calls for cross-

- **Improving Individual and Family Outcomes through Continuity and Coordination of Care in Hospice (R01, R21):** Research that focuses on reducing negative individual and family outcomes related to unwanted transitions at the end of life and optimizing the individual and family outcomes related to high quality coordination of care of individuals who are enrolled in hospice. This FOA emphasizes individuals who are receiving hospice care and their family caregivers, in any setting where hospice care is provided, including their home, a relative’s home, a hospice inpatient facility, an assisted living facility, a short- or long-term care facility, or a hospital. Details: [https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-18-147.html](https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-18-147.html). Expires 1/8/2020.


- **Promoting Caregiver Health Using Self-Management (R01):** The purpose of this initiative is to stimulate research in promoting caregiver health using self-management. Caregiving is an important science area since the number of people living longer with chronic conditions is growing. Informal caregivers (lay caregivers) are defined as unpaid individuals (spouses, partners, family members, friends, or neighbors) involved in assisting others with activities of daily living and/or medical tasks. Formal caregivers are paid, delivering care in one’s home or care settings (daycare, residential care facility). This concept focuses on informal caregivers. Details: [https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-18-150.html](https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-18-150.html). Expires 5/8/2020.

- **Research to Support the Reduction and Elimination of Mental Health Disparities:** Administrative Supplements to active National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH) grants to foster research across the NIMH Strategic Objectives that target the reduction and elimination of mental health disparities by race and ethnicity, geography, and socioeconomic status in U.S. Aims to generate research within scientific scope of parent grant that identifies mechanisms underlying disparities or differences in mental health status and/or enhances optimal delivery of mental health interventions among diverse groups. [https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-18-621.html](https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-18-621.html). Expires 6/2/20.

- **Implementing the Most Successful Interventions to Improve HIV/AIDS Outcomes in U.S. Communities (R21):** Research to translate & adapt most successful global, evidence-based HIV-related service provision strategies to marginalized populations in U.S. with a substantial risk of HIV-infection and AIDS. The ultimate goal, is to produce improvements in HIV-related health outcomes in these key populations through strategies that successfully and durably reach them with timely HIV testing, prevention and treatment technologies that lead to the achievement of the UNAIDS 90-90-90 benchmarks: by 2020, 90% of all people living with HIV will know their HIV status, 90% of all people with diagnosed HIV infection will receive sustained antiretroviral therapy & 90% of all people receiving antiretroviral therapy will have viral suppression. Expires 1/8/21.

- **Testing Interventions for Health-Enhancing Physical Activity (R01):** Fund highly innovative and promising research that tests multi-level physical activity intervention programs acting on at least two levels of socio-ecological model and designed to increase health-enhancing physical activity: 1) in persons or groups that can benefit from such activity; & 2) that could be made scalable and sustainable for broad use across nation. Provides support for up to 5 years for research planning, intervention delivery, and follow-up activities. Expires 1/8/21 Details: [https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-17-306.html](https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-17-306.html).

- **Fundamental Science Research on Mind and Body Approaches (R01):** Investigate the fundamental science of mind and body approaches, including mind/brain-focused practices (e.g., meditation, hypnosis), body-based approaches (e.g., acupuncture, massage, spinal manipulation/mobilization), meditative exercise (e.g., yoga, tai chi, qi gong), art and music therapies, or integrative approaches combining several components. Expires 1/8/21. Details: [https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-18-323.html](https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-18-323.html).

- **Community Partnerships to Advance Research (CPAR) (R01):** This funding opportunity announcement (FOA) encourages researchers to partner with community groups, using Community Engaged Research (CEnR) methodologies that will enhance relationships and lead to better intervention development and positive health outcomes. Expires 1/8/21. Details: [https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-18-377.html](https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-18-377.html).

- **Self-Management for Health in Chronic Conditions (R01, R15, R21):** Recent report from Institute of Medicine identifies epidemic of chronic condition as nation’s leading health challenge and calls for cross-
cutting, coordinated public health actions for “living well with chronic illness”. Focuses on self-management as mainstream science in order to reduce burden of chronic illnesses/conditions. Self-management is ability of individual, in conjunction with family, community, and healthcare professionals, to manage symptoms, treatments, lifestyle changes, and psychosocial, cultural, and spiritual consequences associated with chronic illness or condition. Expires 1/8/21 Details: https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/annOUNCE/PA-18-376.html

Patient Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI) Funding

- **Eugene Washington PCORI Engagement Awards: Dissemination Initiatives** provide support for organizations & communities to actively disseminate PCORI-funded research findings—on their own or as part of body of existing evidence relevant to PCOR research findings. Projects will aim to spread awareness & increase knowledge of evidence from PCORI-funded research, targeted directly to patients, clinicians, others who can use this info to inform healthcare decisions. Max award: $300K over 2 years. **LOI Deadline:** 6/1/18. Details: https://www.pcori.org/funding-opportunities/announcement/engagement-award-dissemination-initiatives.

- **Eugene Washington PCORI Engagement Awards: Capacity Building** provide support for projects that aim to build community of individuals & organizations better able to participate in PCOR/CER, and/or develop infrastructure & partnerships to disseminate PCORI-funded research results. Max award: $250K over 2 yrs. **LOI Deadline:** 6/1/18. Details: https://www.pcori.org/funding-opportunities/announcement/engagement-award-capacity-building

- **Eugene Washington PCORI Engagement Awards: Conference Support** provide support for conferences, workshops, & other organized & formal meetings exploring issues related to PCOR/CER, or communicate PCORI-funded research results to targeted end-user audiences. Max award: $50K over 2 yrs. **LOI Deadline:** 6/1/18 Details: https://www.pcori.org/funding-opportunities/announcement/engagement-award-conference-support

Calls for Papers/Proposals/Other Opportunities

- **Action Collaborative on Bridging Public Health, Health Care, and Community: Call for Abstracts CHNA-related Collaboration**: Call for abstracts concerning health care-public health collaboration in terms of community health needs assessments (CHNAs). The collaborative would like to elucidate on the nature of investments and efforts across the nation that both local public health agencies and hospitals must make to collaborate, and is seeking CHNA-related collaboration examples to elevate and disseminate. The collaborative will select a subset of abstracts that meet minimum criteria and seem exemplary in the quality and outcomes of their collaboration, and ask their authors for more information to develop a set papers on the topic of collaboration on CHNA planning and implementation. Authors of selected abstracts will be notified by July 6. The papers are scheduled to be published during the fall of 2018. **Deadline:** May 30. Details: https://www.surveygizmo.com/s3/4312604/Bridging-Collaborative-CHNA-Related-Collaboration-2018

- **Call For Abstracts: Midwest LGBTQ Health Symposium: Moving Towards Health Equity. Strengthening our Community of Care.** Seeking presentations, panels, workshops and posters to support the following competencies in LGBTQ healthcare:
  - Best practices for working with LGBTQ patients in clinic settings
  - Evidence-based strategies to reduce health disparities within communities, focusing on intersections of LGBTQ identity and race, ethnicity, age, and socioeconomic factors
  - Organizational policies and strategies that facilitate LGBTQ health equity
  - Understanding of key LGBTQ health advocacy issues and how healthcare professionals can influence LGBTQ health policy
**Deadline:** June 1 Details: https://events.bizzabo.com/MLHS2018/page/1332073/abstract-submissions.

- **Call for Abstracts: 11th Annual Health Disparities & Social Justice Conference, Aug 17, 2018.** Sponsored by Center for Community Health Equity (DePaul & Rush Universities). Call for Abstracts for Skill building workshops, oral presentations, posters, film or other creative displays. **Deadline:** June 1. Details: https://www.healthequitychicago.org/hdsj-2018

- **Call for Abstracts: 5th Annual Healthy Churches 2020 National Conference.** Nov 13–16, 2018, Point Clear, AL. Leading training conference for Health Ministries in U.S. and is designed to strengthen the leadership and organizational capacity of congregations to address health disparities among populations most

Compiled by the Alliance for Research in Chicagoland Communities, Northwestern University www.ARCConline.net
Call for Proposals: Policies for Action: Policy and Law Research to Build a Culture of Health. What policies, laws, and regulations can help improve health and health equity? As policymakers experiment and redesign policies in a multitude of sectors, research will be critical to uncover what these changes mean for the nation’s collective health. Policies for Action, a Robert Wood Johnson Foundation signature research program, is funding $2 million toward research on the impact of national, state, or local policies on health and health equity—including $450K to study what happens when state governments seek to nullify or preempt local laws. Proposals from teams representing sectors and disciplines traditionally not associated with health are strongly encouraged. LOIs due: June 7 Details: https://rwjf.ws/2I9h4ld.


Call for Papers on Population Health, Place, and Space: Spatial Perspectives in Chronic Disease Research and Practice. Preventing Chronic Disease (PCD) welcomes submissions for this upcoming collection, which highlights the variety of ways in which geographic information systems (GIS) and spatial analyses are being applied to enhance chronic disease research and public health practice. Deadline: August 31. Details: https://www.cdc.gov/pcd/announcements.htm.

Leshner Leadership Institute for Public Engagement with Science. 15 AAAS Leshner Fellows are selected from disciplines at the nexus of an important science-society issue. They convene for week of intensive public engagement & science communication training & public engagement plan development. They’re also encouraged to consider collaborative projects with other fellows to pursue over the year. Fellows return to their institutions with renewed commitment to develop & implement public engagement activities, train & mentor other scientists in their communities, & promote public engagement within their institutions. Deadline: Oct 1 Details: https://www.aaas.org/pes/leshner-leadership-institute.

Call for Nominations & Proposals: Northwestern University 2019 Linzer Awards for Faculty Excellence in Diversity & Equity & Grants for Innovation in Diversity & Equity. Goals of the awards and grants is to build a more diverse, inclusive and equitable climate on campus. Both programs are aimed at enhancing diversity across the spectrum, including race, gender, religion, sexual orientation, socioeconomic status, age and political affiliation. Awards recognize faculty exemplars who are working collaboratively to build a more diverse, inclusive, and equitable climate at Northwestern. Two awards of $5K will be made each year. Grants fund novel and innovative faculty projects that will enhance our academic enterprise through improving diversity and inclusivity at Northwestern (E.g. curricular innovation, pipeline advancement projects, or community outreach in Chicago or Evanston). Grants range from $2 to $25K depending on the nature and scope of the project. Deadline: Nov 1, 2018. Details: https://www.northwestern.edu/provost/faculty-honors/diversity-and-equity-grants/about.html.

Call for Papers: Collection on Population Health Improvements. Preventing Chronic Disease (PCD) invites authors to submit manuscripts on research, evaluation, and other work describing innovative and effective work to link health care and community health in ways that improve population health. Deadline: Nov 16. Details: https://www.cdc.gov/pcd/announcements.htm.

Call for Papers: Collection on Population Health Improvements. Preventing Chronic Disease (PCD) invites authors to submit manuscripts for publication in a collection entitled “Population Health Improvement Through Linkages Between Health Care Systems, Public Health, and Communities.” PCD invites authors to submit manuscripts on research, evaluation, and other work describing innovative and effective work to link health care and community health in ways that improve population health. Deadline: Nov 16. Details: https://bit.ly/2qG2sJ7.

Help improve the relevance and use of Northwestern University research: The Center for Community Health is seeking community stakeholders and patients that may be interested in becoming an expert panelist for CCH’s Stakeholder-Academic Resource Panels (ShARPs). Details: https://redcap.nubic.northwestern.edu/redcap/surveys/?s=J38APWRHD3
Resources

- **New Toolkit: African American & Black Populations**: UIC Center for Clinical and Translational Sciences (CCTS) Recruitment, Retention, and Community Engagement Program has launched the 4th toolkit in their series of NIH-designated target populations. This toolkit helps researchers become familiar with some of the major issues related to research with target populations. Additionally, the toolkit provides links and resources relevant to African American and Black populations. ARCC resources highlighted. [https://bit.ly/2KxGQOA](https://bit.ly/2KxGQOA).


- **New Community Health Videos from Sinai Survey Findings**: Community health videos provide brief overviews of health in surveyed communities. In addition to providing data, the videos include community member insights that were shared during our Sinai Survey 2.0 community forums. [https://www.sinaisurvey.org/community-health-videos](https://www.sinaisurvey.org/community-health-videos).

- **CAN TV**: CAN TV is an independent nonprofit established by the City of Chicago in 1983 as the public's space on cable television free of commercials, filters, and censors. CAN TV offers multi-media training, video equipment, studio recording/editing facilities and television channel time for regular folks seeking an avenue to express their creativity, thoughts and ideas to a wide public audience that otherwise would be unavailable through commercial media outlets. [http://cantv.org/](http://cantv.org/).

- **City of Chicago Health Department Releases Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Health Report**: The Chicago Department of Public Health (CDPH) today released a report describing the health status of Lesbian, Gay Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) Chicago residents. The report provides an in-depth look at lesbian, gay and bisexual individuals across three life stages – youth (9th-12th grades), young adults (18-44 years) and older adults (45+ years), as well as data on transgender adults. The report also provides the first-ever population estimate and demographic profile for all LGBT adults. View the report here: [https://www.cityofchicago.org/content/dam/city/depts/cdph/LGBTQHealth/CDPH_2017LGBT_Report_r6a.pdf](https://www.cityofchicago.org/content/dam/city/depts/cdph/LGBTQHealth/CDPH_2017LGBT_Report_r6a.pdf).

- **Health & Medicine Policy Research Group**: recently published two new reports on safety net issues in health reform: In 2017 Health & Medicine conducted a research project examining how the ACA and state level health reforms can support the move toward health equity and stronger communities in the Chicago area with a specific focus on the Western Suburbs. This research led to two papers:
  - Beyond the Clinic: A National Health Equity Review Implications for our local safety net (March 2018)
  - A Qualitative Review of Chicago’s West Suburban Safety Net: Consequences, Adaptation, and Recommendations for Future Reform (March 2018)

- **Northwestern Open Access Fund**: Program to support Northwestern scholars who wish to make their journal articles openly available immediately upon publication, and to support gold open access publishers around the world. Available for authors who don’t have other sources of funding to cover publication costs, such as research grants, or departmental funds. Limit of up to $3K per award per author for each fiscal year (Sept-Aug). [Apply](http://www.library.northwestern.edu/research/scholarly/open-access-fund-request.html).

- **NUCATS Impact Submission Form** gives investigators, stakeholders, research personnel, and NUCATS staff the opportunity to share how NCUATS supports clinical and translational research at Northwestern. [Details](https://nucats.northwestern.edu/about/nucats-impact).

- **Request a consultation with Northwestern’s Center for Community Health (CCH)**. CCH offers consultations to investigators and research teams to assist with community/patient/stakeholder engagement, project or proposal design/review/support, dissemination of findings to community audiences, etc. To request, complete this form: [https://redcap.nubic.northwestern.edu/redcap/surveys/?s=NHCRCR98W9](https://redcap.nubic.northwestern.edu/redcap/surveys/?s=NHCRCR98W9).

- **ARCC Online Resource Directory**: The Directory is an online website providing access to materials and resources to help interested community and faith-based organizations and academic partners to learn about how they can build capacity to conduct community-engaged research and support building, strengthening, and sustaining their partnership. Tools like sample MOU or things to consider if engaging a new partner. [Visit](www.ARCCresources.net)