Events


- **UIC Institute for Research on Race and Public Policy: Lunchtime Lecture Series, October 10.** IRRPP’s Intracollege Lunchtime Lecture Series provides brief but substantive overviews of the research on race, ethnicity, and public policy being produced by UIC scholars and funded by IRRPP. This lecture will continue the conversation on the relationship between race and health as panelists Saria Lofton, Kylea Liese, and Rohan Jeremiah discuss overlooked health impacts of race in Chicago through their research projects. Details: [https://irrpp.uic.edu/events/FY2019/October/10-10-2018.shtml](https://irrpp.uic.edu/events/FY2019/October/10-10-2018.shtml).


- **Northwestern LGBTQ Faculty Reception, Oct 17.** Northwestern’s Institute for Sexual and Gender Minority Health & Wellbeing is excited to invite all NU faculty members who identify as LGBTQ to join this inaugural reception! Supported by schools across Northwestern, this will serve as a community-building celebration for LGBTQ faculty to connect with each other in the Northwestern community. Details: [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdy9HhPhFxAPnmtq7Yww2YICf2fL2l58unwOq3cYwZmiWmceA/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdy9HhPhFxAPnmtq7Yww2YICf2fL2l58unwOq3cYwZmiWmceA/viewform).

- **LEPH2018: 4th Intl. Conference on Law Enforcement & Public Health, October 21-24, Toronto, ON.** Join fellow practitioners, researchers and policy makers to share skills and learnings or showcase “on the ground” experiences at this inter-sectoral conference exploring the complex intersection of law enforcement, especially police, and the many and varied components of the public health field. Details: [https://leph2018toronto.com/](https://leph2018toronto.com/).

- **UIC Center for Healthy Work Journal Club: Work as a Social Determinant of Health, October 22.** Will review the role of work in public health and in population health research. Work is central to our lives but it does not have the major place in public health it should have. Why is it so? We will be exploring this difficult question in this quarter’s Journal Club. Details: [https://uic.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_9Hp8VIWbbRDXDoh](https://uic.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_9Hp8VIWbbRDXDoh).

- **Coalition of Urban & Metropolitan Universities Annual Conference: Partnering for Equity, October 22-24, Chicago.** The 2018 CUMU Annual Conference challenges each of us to reflect on the changing role of our urban-serving institutions in tackling major themes through an equity lens. [http://www.cumuonline.org/what-we-do/annual-conference/](http://www.cumuonline.org/what-we-do/annual-conference/).

- **Ethical Issues in Community Engaged Research Workshop, October 23.** ARCC is co-sponsoring an upcoming workshop with the UIC Recruitment Retention & Community Engagement core on Ethical Issues in Community Engaged Research. Featuring three panels:
  - Community Engaged Research and Identity as an Insider, Outsider, and Everything In-Between
  - Tensions Between Academic Life and Community Engagement
  - Negotiating Ideological Differences Between Researchers and Community Partners
Details: [https://planitpurple.northwestern.edu/event/539691](https://planitpurple.northwestern.edu/event/539691).

- **Conquering Evaluation Challenges, October 24.** Participants will engage in structured small group discussions where they will present an evaluation challenge they faced in a professional or volunteer setting. This is an opportunity to gather feedback from peers on strategies and resources to address the challenge(s). All participants will have an opportunity to present a challenge and offer feedback to other participants. The event will conclude with informal networking so our members can continue their conversations or start new

- **Alliance for Research in Chicagoland Communities (ARCC) 10th Anniversary Celebration & Town Hall Forum, October 30, 9:30-1:30.** ARCC sits in F Northwestern’s Center for Community Health and serves a crucial role for the medical school in developing and supporting meaningful community engagement across the research spectrum to improve health care and health equity. Join us in honoring this milestone and more importantly gathering input from diverse community and academic stakeholders on ARCC’s next ten years. **Details:** [https://bit.ly/2xy1mJ1](https://bit.ly/2xy1mJ1).

- **Northwestern’s Program in Public Health Open House, October 30.** Please stop by to learn more about degree offerings: Master of Public Health and Master of Science in Biostatistics. Opportunity to meet and mingle with some of the Program's students, faculty and staff. You will also have the chance to sit in on an MPH class session from 5-6 p.m. **Details:** [https://planitpurple.northwestern.edu/event/539748](https://planitpurple.northwestern.edu/event/539748).


- **Third Coast Center for AIDS Research 2018 Symposium “Ending the HIV Epidemic: Think Globally, Act Locally”, Nov 1.** Will draw important connections between HIV research in global settings and the lessons researchers can apply to their domestic work. Examples will include innovations in HIV testing, prevention, and care, as well as implementation science approaches to scale up of new interventions, and the role of research on non-communicable diseases and HIV. Keynote: Ambassador Deborah L. Birx, US Global AIDS Coordinator on scale up of HIV treatment through President’s Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR) programs. **Details:** [https://bit.ly/2IFierQ](https://bit.ly/2IFierQ).

- **International Conference on Local Knowledge (ICLK), November 14-15, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.** The main focus is to discuss investigations into local epistemology and its adaptability with the ultimate goal of enabling social transformation. Conference will be a venue in which experts, scholars and practitioners can present new findings, insights and experiences in specific areas of study on Local Knowledge (LK) from all over the world. **Details:** [https://localknowledge572601523.wordpress.com/2018/04/04/the-journey-begins/](https://localknowledge572601523.wordpress.com/2018/04/04/the-journey-begins/).

- **11th Annual Conference on the Science of Dissemination and Implementation in Health, December 3-5, Washington D.C.** Co-hosted by National Institutes of Health (NIH) and AcademyHealth, helps realize the full potential of evidence to optimize health and health care by bridging the gap between research, practice, and policy. Aims to ensure that evidence is used to inform decisions that will improve the health of individuals and communities. **Details:** [https://bit.ly/2JjoCCt](https://bit.ly/2JjoCCt).

- **Northwestern's Institute for Public Health and Medicine (IPHAM) Population Health Forum, December 4.** Will include a keynote speech by Sandro Galea, MD, MPH, DrPH, dean and Robert A. Knox Professor at Boston University School of Public Health. In addition, the Forum will include a poster session, community partner showcase, awards ceremony, and breakout sessions. **Call for Poster Abstract Submissions due Oct 31.** **Details:** [https://planitpurple.northwestern.edu/event/540676](https://planitpurple.northwestern.edu/event/540676).

- **Innovating for Rural and Urban Underserved Populations Workshop, December 5.** Offered by Harvard Medical School Center for Primary Care taking place in Chicago. The program uses research from our primary care case collection to provide strategies for community engagement, as well as novel approaches to caring for patients with complex health and social needs. CME Credit(s). **Details:** [https://bit.ly/2Rq9h4e](https://bit.ly/2Rq9h4e).

- **Putting Care at the Center, December 5-7.** Annual conference of National Center for Complex Health and Social Needs. Co-hosted with Rush University Medical Center and Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. Opportunity for innovators and advocates for healthcare delivery reform from across the country, both
pioneers and newcomers, to meet, network, and create a shared agenda for the emerging field of complex care. Scholarship opportunities available. Details: https://www.centering.care/home.

- **National LGBTQ Health Conference: Bridging Research & Practice, May 30-June 1 2019.** An interdisciplinary translational research conference bringing together scientists, public health professionals, and healthcare providers to discuss issues affecting the health and well-being of the LGBTQ community while fostering professional development and networking opportunities. Details: https://bit.ly/2ABmMdf.

**Grant Opportunities**

- **Third Coast CFAR Community Mini-Award Instructions.** Third Coast affiliate members from community organizations can request these rapid, flexible funds to support workshops, seminars, or small conferences where HIV-related research can be disseminated to and with the community. Creative mechanisms for disseminating research are invited. Budget is limited to $2K in one year. Funds can be used for materials, expenses to host speaker for community event, expenses to host community event or conference, and related types of expenses. Salary not allowed. **Deadline:** Rolling. **Details:** http://www.thirdcoastcfar.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/06/Instructions-Community-Mini-award-updated-060916.pdf.

- **Call for Proposals: RWJF Systems for Action: Systems and Services Research for a Culture of Health.** Offering up to 6 awards of $250K each for research on how to better align the many financing and delivery systems that impact health. All proposals should include a focus on health equity, by examining how better aligning systems can ensure everyone has the opportunity to achieve their full health potential. **Deadline:** Oct 10. **Details:** https://rwjf.ws/2M4cIB

- **RWJF Call for Ideas: Technology, Infrastructure and Health.** RWJF is looking to award $2 million for projects that will examine how emerging technologies could transform infrastructure in ways that improve health equity in the United States. **Deadline:** October 17. **Details:** https://rwjf.ws/2OwrJR.

- **West Side United Small Business Grant Application.** Will distribute $85K in grants to West Side businesses that seek to strengthen their communities, $1-$15K. **Deadline:** Oct 31. **Details:** https://westsideunited.org/

- **UIC Center for Health Equity Research (CHER Chicago) Community Discussion & Dissemination Seed Grants.** NIH-funded Center of Excellence, based at UIC Cancer Center and School of Public Health, in collaboration with Univ of Chicago. Seed Grants aim to stimulate discussion around structural violence within diverse communities throughout Chicago, and to support the dissemination of new ideas & knowledge about how to address/minimize structural violence. **Deadline:** Nov 6. **Details:** https://bit.ly/2wGaZF8.

- **Russell Sage Foundation Seeks Letters of Inquiry for Social Inequality Research.** 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. **LOIs due:** Nov 30. **Details:** http://www.russellsage.org/research/funding/social-inequality.

- **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

- **Robert Wood Johnson Foundation’s Leadership Development Programs.** Health Policy Research Scholars, Interdisciplinary Research Leaders, Clinical Scholars, and Culture of Health Leaders—all provide financial support for participation! These leadership development opportunities are looking for people who want to expand their skills and network to improve equity and health in their communities. **Details:** https://www.rwjf.org/en/how-we-work/grants-explorer/featured-programs/rwjf-leadership-programs.html?nd=0034400001tEbO6AAK&et_cid=1092240.
• 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-tiered 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 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

• 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

• 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 1/8/19 Details: http://1.usa.gov/1NORdJF

• 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 1/8/19 Details: https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-18-027.html

• 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


• 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

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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

- **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/PA-16-278.html](http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-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. 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 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 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 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. Expires 9/8/19

• Addressing the Etiology of Health Disparities and Health Advantages Among Immigrant Populations (R01 & R21): The purpose is to support innovative research to understand uniquely associated factors (biological, behavioral, sociocultural, and environmental) that contribute to health disparities or health advantages among U.S. immigrant populations. Projects should involve collaborations among relevant stakeholders in U.S. immigrant population groups, such as researchers, community organizations, healthcare providers, public health organizations, consumer advocacy groups, & faith-based orgs. As appropriate for research questions posed, inclusion of key immigrant community members in conceptualization, planning and implementation of the research is encouraged to generate better-informed hypotheses and enhance the translation of the research results into practice. Expires 1/8/20. Details: https://bit.ly/2LdpqGk.

• 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.  

- **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 infection with HIV; and mechanistic research in hematologic diseases. Details: [https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-18-412.html](https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-18-412.html) Expires 1/8/20

- **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-18-148.html](https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-18-148.html) Expires 1/8/20.


- **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 5/8/20.

- **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/pa-files/PA-18-376.html](https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-18-376.html).

• **Examining Diversity, Recruitment and Retention in Aging Research (R24).** Encourages collaborative teams to target gaps in methods and outcomes regarding research participant recruitment and retention. Goal is to improve research participant recruitment through method development, community engagement, evaluation strategies and community incorporation. The team approach encouraged by this initiative will be used to generate a research resource to advance processes for high yield recruitment, formulate breakthrough ideas, concepts and approaches to research participant recruitment and retention, strengthen outreach and community engagement practices, and devise improved communication strategies. Teams will demonstrate the success of these improvements by engaging a large diverse population. Primary outcome will be the development of a population of diverse community members ready to engage in NIA funded clinical research studies. Details: [https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-18-749.html](https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-18-749.html). Expires 9/11/21.

Patient Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI) Funding

• **Broad PCORI Funding Announcements:** Addressing Disparities, Assessment of Prevention, Diagnosis, & Treatment Options, Communication & Dissemination Research, & Improving Healthcare Systems. LOI Deadline: Nov 6, 2018. [https://www.pcori.org/funding-opportunities](https://www.pcori.org/funding-opportunities).


• **PCORI**
Calls for Papers/Proposals/Other Opportunities

- **National Call for Community-Based Volunteers: Peer Reviewers & Associate Editors for Progress in Community Health Partnerships (PCHP).** If you are interested in volunteering as either a Peer Reviewer, Associate Editor, or both, please send us your resume, areas of interest and expertise, and your contact information to pchpeditor@gmail.com & hal.strelnick@einstein.yu.edu. **ARCC Director Jen Brown serves as an Associate Editor and would be happy to answer questions.**

- **Call for Abstracts: IPHAM Population Health Forum.** Accepted posters will highlight work supported by Northwestern with a focus on population and public health. **Deadline:** Oct 31. **Details:** https://bit.ly/2ICb2aE.

- **Call for Papers: Health Promotion in the Era of Social Media and Digital Communication: A Special Supplement Issue of Health Education & Behavior (HE&B).** Issue will focus on the application and impact of social media and digital health on public health education and behavior. Issue- supported by a grant from NIH Office of Behavioral and Social Sciences Research- will include selected presentations from Digital Health Promotion Executive Leadership Summit (held June 5-6) and other innovative applications being developed and scaled both nationally and internationally. **Deadline:** Oct 31. **Details:** https://bit.ly/2QrCElB.

- **Chicago Foundation for Women 2019 Impact Awards.** Do you know someone dedicated to making a positive impact on lives of women and girls in Chicago. Eligible nominees are women, men & gender nonconforming individuals committed to strengthening women & girls so they thrive in Chicago. Honorees will be exemplary trailblazers in, but not limited to: health care & health care access, economic &/or empowerment, ending violence against women, community organizing and related fields who have contributed the lives of Chicago-area women & girls. **Deadline:** Nov 1. **Details:** https://bit.ly/2NnsrEH.

- **RWJF Culture of Health Prize.** At RWJF, building a Culture of Health has become the central aim of what we do, with a goal of giving every person across the nation an opportunity to live the healthiest life possible. Communities are already leading the way to drive local change, and ensuring all residents have an opportunity to make healthy choices in their schools, workplaces and neighborhoods. The RWJF Culture of Health Prize, a collaboration between RWJF and the University of Wisconsin Population Health Institute, is the Foundation's way of honoring communities—urban, rural, tribal, large or small—that are beacons of hope and progress for healthier people, families, and places. **Deadline:** Nov 1. **Details:** https://rwjf.ws/2LVHNj2.

- **Call for Nominations & Proposals: Northwestern University 2019 Linzer Awards for Faculty Excellence in Diversity & Equity & Grants for Innovation in Diversity & Equity.** Goals are 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 each year. Grants fund novel & 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 $2-25K depending nature and scope of project. **Deadline:** Nov 1, 2018. **Details:** https://www.northwestern.edu/provost/faculty-honors/diversity-and-equity-grants/about.html

- **Call for Abstracts: Translational Science 2019.** Abstracts can be evaluated for both poster and distinguished oral abstract presentations based on your preference. **Deadline:** Nov 15. **Details:** http://www.actscience.org/page/2019abstracts.

- **Call for Papers: Collection on Population Health Improvements.** Preventing Chronic Disease (PCD) invites authors to submit manuscripts for publication in a collection entitled “Health Care Systems, Public Health, and Communities: Population Health Improvements.” PCD invites manuscripts on research, evaluation, & other work describing innovative and effective work to link health care & community health in ways that improve population health. **Deadline:** Nov 16. **Details:** https://bit.ly/2g62sJ7.

- **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 Updated Engagement Plan Template from Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI). Engaging patients and other stakeholders throughout the research process is central to PCORI's work, which is why applicants for PCORI funding have always had to include engagement plans as part of their proposed projects. This is an updated Engagement Template, a resource that helps new awardees transform their plans for engagement into a roadmap for action. View here: https://www.pcori.org/sites/default/files/PCORI-Updated-Engagement-Plan-Template.pdf.

• Moving Through Health Equity Through GIS. To better understand the part GIS plays in helping communities move toward health equity for all residents, GovLoop partnered with Esri, a leader in GIS, and HERE Technologies, the Open Location Platform company, for this industry perspective. Learn what GIS is and why it should matter to all governments, how to achieve inter-departmental collaboration and move to working with nonprofits and leaders in the community and how you can use GIS to amplify your strategy and make the most of limited resources when combating health inequities. Report was informed by Esri thought leaders and government experts in the health arena. Details: https://www.govloop.com/resources/moving-toward-healthy-equity-gis/.

• CROWD Website Launch: Center for CHW Research, Outcomes, and Workforce Development. We are excited to announce the launch of our website: http://www.suhicrowd.org is intended to be a one-stop resource to learn about the CHW model, what CROWD does, and how CROWD can help meet your needs. The website features two short videos, including an explanation of the unique role of CHWs in healthcare and social service fields, as well as an overview of CROWD’s training and consulting services.

• NIH HDPulse Data Portal: The objective is to provide an ecosystem to characterize health disparities to motivate action to reduce health disparities. Interactive graphics and maps provide visual support for deciding where to focus public health disparities control efforts. Target audiences: health planners, policy makers, public health information providers, and researchers who need quick and easy access to pertinent data to explore statistics to identify research opportunities. Details:

• 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=NHMCRLC8W9.

• 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