Resources & Opportunities for Community & Academic Partners

Available online here or www.ARRConline.net. New additions highlighted. Updated as of 3/5/19

Events

- **Dr. Cynthia Barnes-Boyd.** Drake Health & Wellness Center Ribbon Cutting Ceremony, March 4. UIC Office of Community Engagement And Neighborhood Health Partnerships and Mile Square Health Center invite campus and neighborhood communities to celebrate the dedication of the John B. Drake Elementary School-based Health & Wellness Center in honor of OCEAN-HP founder Cynthia Barnes-Boyd. Located at 27th and Dearborn, the school-based health center provides care for students and the surrounding community as part of the FQHC of Mile Square Health Center network. Details: https://vcha.uic.edu/events/cynthia-barnes-boyd-drake-health-wellness-center-ribbon-cutting/.

- **Campus Meets Community Workshop, March 4.** Join Illinois Campus Compact, America’s Urban Campus, and the Asset Based Community Development Institute for 2nd Campus Meets Community event. Last year, the workshop brought together leaders from campus and community to discuss the current state of campus-community partnerships and to develop new strategies for future partnerships. This year, CMC will focus on best practices and networking. Alliance for Research in Chicagoland Communities (ARCC) is speaking. Details: https://illinoiscampuscompact.org/cmc/.

- **Translational Science 2019- Association for Clinical & Translational Sciences, March 5-8, Washington, DC.** ARCC and CCH will be presenting. Details: http://www.actscience.org/ts2019.

- **West Side United 2019 Community Convening, March 5.** Learn more about the West Side United strategic plan for 2019. They will be showcasing their progress, new grantees, and opportunities to engage with their work in the West Side. Details: https://westsideunited.org/2019/01/23/west-side-united-2019-community-convening/.

- **Consortium of Universities for Global Health Conference, March 7.** This session will explore how major US universities, members of the Consortium of Universities for Global Health, are addressing global health problems in their own communities. Leaders from major US research universities and organizations will identify novel approaches to the issues of health disparities and their social determinants. The panels will discuss different examples of how US universities can bring back the successes of their global health research enterprise to their own local communities. Details: https://www.cugh2019.org/.

- **Working on Womanhood (WOW): A participatory formative evaluation of community-developed intervention, March 15.** A research panel led by ARCC Seed Grant Recipients Youth Guidance and Rebecca Ford-Paz, PhD will present the newly published WOW: A participatory formative evaluation of a community-developed intervention. Details: https://childhoodresilience.org/events/2019/3/15/panel-presentation-wow-working-on-womanhood.

- **Diverse Perspectives of Physician Scientists: Keith Norris, UCLA, March 15.** Sponsored by the Northwestern’s Medical Scientist Training Program Student Council, series of conversations between researchers and current trainees, which address the unique experiences of those who identify as an underrepresented minority and/or serve populations where health disparities exist. DPPS is a series of discussions about diversity within medicine and biomedical sciences, whether this diversity be related to ethnicity, race, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity, socioeconomic status or something else. Details: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdzAopqCxx5p8eYQvPmt73njssFHhcQ7CaTPU7bWA7HeOjy4w/viewform.

- **Envisioning Equity: Strategic Planning for Inclusive Organizations, March 15.** Inaugural conference for staff & board teams from nonprofit, for-profit, & funding organizations. Will focus on teaching organizations how to align strategic planning process to ensure that resulting mission, vision, policies, and procedures will combat racial inequity at structural and systemic levels. Features keynote, panel discussion, & variety of breakout sessions with experts in racial equity & strategic planning. Details: http://www.envisioningequitychi.org/.

- **ARCC Learning Exchange: Meet the People in Your Network, March 19.** This participatory Un-Meeting includes Networking, Shared learning on best practices & challenges in partnership development & research collaboration, ARCC & other resources, artistic performance, & lunch. Design & focus based on input from

LGBTQ Issues in the African American Community: Acceptance and Homelessness, March 19. Univ of Chicago Community Grand Rounds is a series held in community settings focusing on how Univ of Chicago research can help improve health on the South Side. The series includes networking opportunities, formal presentations, and audience question and answer sessions on a variety of issues. Some of the issues that will be discussed include discrimination, homelessness, and acceptance. Free. Details: https://bit.ly/2UqbgqF.


Blue Hat Bow Tie Sunday to bring awareness to colorectal cancer, March 31. Details: candace@bluehatbowtie.org.

Health Equity and the Law: Legal Approaches to Improving Public Health, April 4. 29th annual DePaul Law Review Symposium will focus on the ways in which law and policy may be utilized to improve health equity in Chicago and around the world. Symposium will feature presentations by distinguished speakers across a variety of professional disciplines, as they analyze issues such as the impact of racism on health and the influence of law and policy on social and structural determinants of health. Attendees are encouraged to engage with speakers during sessions to facilitate solution-based discussions about using law and policy as tools to improve the public’s health. Details: https://bit.ly/2Hk36fo.

Northwestern Spring Lyceum Event: Disabusing Disability, April 16. Featuring Dr. Oluwaferanmi Okanlami, Assistant Professor of Family Medicine & Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, and Director of Medical Student Programs at Michigan Medicine. Details: diversitymed@northwestern.edu.

Save the Date: The Center for Community Health (CCH) presents at IPHAM Seminar Series, April 18. Details: https://www.feinberg.northwestern.edu/sites/ipham/events/.

Research: What's Community Got to Do with It? A Workshop on Building Research Partnerships, April 25. Workshop for Community Organizations and Researchers interested in building partnerships to address issues that affect the community. Will feature: best practices for building research partnerships, overcoming challenges for underrepresented communities, group discussions on nuts and bolts of research. Details: smoral2@uic.edu.

Medicine & Media: 3rd Annual Conference of Northwestern’s Center for Bioethics & Medical Humanities, May 3. This conference is dedicated to sharing research and scholarship in bioethics and medical humanities at Northwestern. Will feature poster and panel presentations that highlight the academic diversity of our field and of the Northwestern community. Details: https://www.bioethics.northwestern.edu/.

National Collaborative for Education to Address the Social Determinants of Health 1st Annual Conference, May 7, Chicago. Agenda will bring together educators, researchers and community organizations to discuss innovations in addressing social determinants of health and strategies to prepare the next generation of health care providers and public health professionals to address these issues. Details: https://sdoheducation.org/sdoh-education-conference/.

National LGBTQ Health Conference: Bridging Research & Practice, May 30-June 1 2019, Atlanta. 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. A limited number of scholarships to cover the cost of conference registration are available. Details: https://bit.ly/2ABmMdf.

Chicago Foundation for Women Board Member Boot Camp Spring, June 1-June 8. Comprehensive and interactive two-and-a-half-day training for individuals interested in volunteering on a nonprofit board. You'll

- **2nd Annual Sinai Population Health Institute, June 3-7. Applications** are now being accepted. Hosted by SUHI, the Institute is a one-week immersion into the dynamic world of population health, with a special focus on health equity, social determinants of health, and evidence-based practices. It incorporates project-based learning, lectures, workshops, and community tours. To apply, or for more info, including cost and potential institutional arrangements, contact [pophealthtraining@sinaiong](mailto:pophealthtraining@sinaiong).


- **2019 Health Disparities Institute (HDRI), August 12-16, Bethesda, MD.** HDRI aims to support the research career development of promising minority health/health disparities research scientists early in their careers and stimulate research in the disciplines supported by health disparities science. The program will feature lectures on minority health and health disparities research, small group discussions, mock grant review, and seminars. Institute participants will also have the opportunity to meet with NIH scientific staff engaged in related health disparities research across the various NIH Institutes and Centers. Institute participants will also have the opportunity to meet with NIH scientific staff engaged in related health disparities research across the various NIH Institutes and Centers. **Details:** [https://nimhd.nih.gov/programs/edu-training/hd-research-institute/hdri_logon.asp?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery](https://nimhd.nih.gov/programs/edu-training/hd-research-institute/hdri_logon.asp?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery).

**Grant Opportunities**

- **UIC CHER Chicago Community Seed Grants.** The Center for Health Equity Research Chicago (CHER Chicago), is National Institutes of Health-funded Center of Excellence, based at the UIC Cancer Center and School of Public Health, in collaboration with The University of Chicago Biological Sciences Division. CHER Chicago's mission is to make transformative contributions toward the elimination of structural violence through collaborative community partnerships, innovative research, and the development of health disparities researchers. Community Discussion & Dissemination Seed Grants aim to stimulate discussion around structural violence within diverse communities throughout Chicago, and to support the dissemination of new ideas and knowledge about how to address/minimize structural violence. **Deadline:** March 7. **Details:** [http://www.cherchicago.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/12/CHERchicago_CEDC_2019_CommunitySeedGrant.pdf](http://www.cherchicago.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/12/CHERchicago_CEDC_2019_CommunitySeedGrant.pdf)

- **2019 Healthy Chicago 2.0 Seed Grants.** Public Health Institute of Metropolitan Chicago announces availability of funding to advance the Healthy Chicago 2.0 vision for the city. Grants aim to build community power to address local conditions that influence health and fund projects that improve the built environment so that residents can live in healthy communities. This funding is aligned with a larger collaborative effort, Elevated Chicago, to drive systems change towards greater racial equity in the built environment. **Deadline:** March 19. **Details:** [http://www.phimc.org/2019-healthy-chicago-2-0-seed-grants/](http://www.phimc.org/2019-healthy-chicago-2-0-seed-grants/).

- **African American Pharmacogenomic Consortium Network Community Pilot Grants (ACCOuNT).** The ACCOunT Transdisciplinary Collaborative Center– a partnership between U of C and Northwestern University – is offering Pilot Grants to stimulate community stakeholders to be the principal drivers of pharmacogenomics-enabling research projects that they conceive, plan, and execute with support from research collaborators. Two projects focused on African American cardiovascular pharmacogenomics, or how a person’s genes impact their reaction to drugs for the heart and blood vessels, will be awarded each year. Awards will be made for up to $25K for each project. **Deadline:** March 22. **Details:** [https://bit.ly/2tb7ghD](https://bit.ly/2tb7ghD).

- **2019 ARCC Community Engagement in Research Seed Grants Request for Applications.** Northwestern University Clinical & Translational Sciences Institute (NUCATS)/Alliance for Research in Chicagoland Communities (ARCC) in partnership with Northwestern Memorial Hospital (NHM) will fund Seed Grants that support the development of partnerships that engage communities and stakeholders in research collaboration with Northwestern research teams. Goal is to increase the number of community-academic partnerships that are prepared to collaborate together to design and conduct research projects to improve health equity. Partnership Development awards: Up to $5K, Up to 12 months. Research Development awards: Up to $25K,
Up to 24 months. **Required One on One Call with ARCC Director:** No later than March 27. **Application Deadline:** April 11. **Details:** [https://www.feinberg.northwestern.edu/sites/cch/funding/seed-grants/arcc/index.html](https://www.feinberg.northwestern.edu/sites/cch/funding/seed-grants/arcc/index.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 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 $95K 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/](http://www.research.northwestern.edu/interdisciplinary123/).

**National Institutes of Health (NIH) Funding**

- **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](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

- **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 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](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 & 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 & social factors in health & disease, & enhance the rigor and reproducibility of study results, the participating Institutes & 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

• **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](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. [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 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 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 1/8/2020.


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

• **Leveraging Health Information Technology (Health IT) to Address Minority Health & Health Disparities (R01).** Support research that examines how health information technology adoption impacts minority health and health disparity populations in access to care, quality of care, patient engagement, and health outcomes. Projects should involve collaborations from relevant stakeholders in U.S. health disparity population groups, such as researchers, community organizations, healthcare systems or clinics, clinicians, public health organizations, consumer advocacy groups, and faith-based organizations. Details: [https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-19-093.html](https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-19-093.html). Expires 3/5/21

• **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 1/26/21.

• **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 eval of obesity related policy &/or program offers uncommon & scientifically compelling research opportunity only available if initiated w/minimum delay. Selected apps awarded within 4 mos. of due date. 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 1/26/21.

• **End-of-Life and Palliative Needs of Adolescents and Young Adults (AYA) with Serious Illnesses (R01):** To foster research on the unique perspectives, needs, wishes, and decision-making processes of adolescents and young adults (AYA; defined by the World Health Organization and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention as youth between 12–24 years of age) with serious, advanced illnesses; and research focused on specific end-of-life/palliative care (EOLPC) models that support the physical, psychological, spiritual, and social needs of AYA with serious illness, their families and caregivers. Details: [https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-19-136.html](https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-19-136.html). Expires 1/8/22

**Patient Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI) Funding**


Calls for Papers/Proposals/Other Opportunities

- **Join the Research-to-Policy Collaboration (RPC).** As a member of our Rapid Response Network, you can expect to collaborate in a number of ways, all involving responses to current policy opportunities that are relevant to your expertise. Potential avenues for engagement include responding to requests for research in your area of specialization, attending trainings and webinars, and participating in consultative phone calls or in-person meetings with legislative staff. **Details:** [https://www.research2policy.org/participating-researchers](https://www.research2policy.org/participating-researchers).

- **Open Position at Northwestern’s Center for Community Health: Senior Program Administrator for Practice-Based Research.** Center for Community Health (CCH) is hiring. Are you passionate about community health and making healthcare better? This position is a great opportunity to work with diverse community and academic clinics across Chicagoland. To apply or for more info: [https://bit.ly/2CO0B2C](https://bit.ly/2CO0B2C).

- **National Call for Community-Based Volunteers: Peer Reviewers & Associate Editors for Progress in Community Health Partnerships (PCHP).** [https://bit.ly/2QAheGN](https://bit.ly/2QAheGN). **ARCC Director Jen Brown** serves as an Associate Editor and would be happy to answer questions.

- **Call for Nominations: ARCC 2019 Community-Engaged Research Partnership Award.** Award to recognize exemplary partnerships that use a community-engaged research approach to impacting community. **Deadline:** March 8. **Details:** [https://www.feinberg.northwestern.edu/sites/cch/funding/seed-grants/arcc/partner-award-recipient.html](https://www.feinberg.northwestern.edu/sites/cch/funding/seed-grants/arcc/partner-award-recipient.html).

- **15th Annual Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine Lewis Landsberg Research Day (April 4) Call for Abstracts.** This is an opportunity to share research with colleagues, find potential new collaborators and explore the exciting research taking place at Feinberg. Awards will be presented in the areas of clinical research, education research, basic science, public health and social sciences and women’s health. **Deadline:** March 8. **Details:** [https://northwestern2019cfp.azurewebsites.net/](https://northwestern2019cfp.azurewebsites.net/).

- **Apply Today for AHEC Scholars:** program for health professions students interested in enhancing their education by gaining additional knowledge and experience in areas experiencing a shortage of health professionals. This program will give students opportunities to refine their career choices and learn how health professionals from different disciplines can work together. Being launched at Northeastern IL Univ, however any Chicago area students that fit the program requirements will be considered. **Deadline:** March 15. **Details:** [http://www.hmprg.org/programs/chicagoahec/scholars/](http://www.hmprg.org/programs/chicagoahec/scholars/).

- **2019 PCORI Annual Meeting Scholarships:** The Patient Centered Outcomes Research Institute is pleased to offer scholarships for patients, caregivers, and patient representatives to attend the 2019 Meeting (Sept 18-20, 2019 in Washington, DC). Competitive opportunity for limited number of scholarships. **Deadline:** March 15. **Details:** [https://www.pcori.org/meetings-events/2019-pcori-annual-meeting-patient-scholarship](https://www.pcori.org/meetings-events/2019-pcori-annual-meeting-patient-scholarship).

- **PCORI Advisory Panel Nominations:** Accepting nominations & applications for new members of four advisory panels: Patient Engagement, Healthcare Delivery and Disparities Research, Rare Disease, Clinical Trials. Advisory panels provide important guidance on everything from refining and prioritizing research questions for potential funding to offering feedback on the design of research studies and engaging patients as partners throughout the research process. If you are interested in serving on a panel or would like to nominate a candidate, applications and nominations can be made on PCORI's website. **Deadline:** March 29.

- **Yancy/Edgley Fellowship:** The Dr. Antronette (Toni) Yancey and Darlene Edgley Fellowship for Health Promotion, Physical Fitness and Community Health Education’s mission is to develop leaders of color who are committed to fighting obesity in underserved populations through community participatory research, intervention and prevention using physical activity, and other health promotion strategies. **Deadline:** March 31. **Details:** [http://www.yanceyfellowship.org/html/guidelines.html](http://www.yanceyfellowship.org/html/guidelines.html).

• **Call for Proposals: APHA Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, November 2-6.** The American Public Health Association is accepting abstracts. Theme: Creating the Healthiest Nation: For science. For action. For health. Many engaged research abstracts are submitted to the Community-Based Public Health Caucus. **Deadline:** June 3. **Details:** [https://apha.confex.com/apha/2019/cfp.cgi](https://apha.confex.com/apha/2019/cfp.cgi).

• **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](https://redcap.nubic.northwestern.edu/redcap/surveys/?s=J38APWRHD3)

## Resources


• **Summary from ARCC’s 10th Anniversary Celebration & Town Hall:** [https://bit.ly/2PLwml2](https://bit.ly/2PLwml2)

• **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](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](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](http://www.ARCCresources.net)