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COVID-19 Grants

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HRSA COVID-19 Claims Reimbursement for Uninsured Patients (Application Deadline: Rolling)

HRSA provides an electronic reimbursement portal for healthcare providers who have conducted COVID-19 testing or provided treatment for uninsured individuals on or after February 4, 2020. Reimbursement will be made for qualifying testing and treatment services, which include: Specimen collection, diagnostic, and antibody testing; Testing-related visits in the office, urgent care, emergency room, or telehealth; Treatment including office visits, telehealth, emergency room, inpatient, outpatient/observation, skilled nursing facility, long-term acute care, acute inpatient rehab, home health, emergency ground ambulance transportation, non-emergent patient transfers via ground ambulance, and FDA approved drugs as they become available for COVID-19 treatment and administered as part of an inpatient stay; When an FDA-approved vaccine becomes available, it will also be covered. LEARN MORE



Foundation

LISC Rural Relief Small Business Grants (Application Deadline: December 2, 2020; January 5, 2021; February 2, 2021)

As part of our continuing commitment to elevate our impact in rural America, LISC is inviting small business owners in rural locations across the country to apply for the LISC-Lowe's Rural Relief Small Business Grants program. Only small businesses located in rural communities are eligible at this time. LEARN MORE

World Justice Project: World Justice Challenge 2021 (Application Deadline: December 11, 2020)

The World Justice Challenge 2021: Advancing the Rule of Law in a Time of Crisis is a global competition to identify, recognize, and promote good practices and high-impact projects and policies that protect and advance the rule of law in this time of unprecedented crisis. The COVID-19 pandemic strikes in the midst of a global rule of law crisis in which respect for key principles of good governance has been eroding in many countries for a number of years. These twin crises of public health and rule of law make this pandemic particularly dangerous. Identifying and promoting good practices and promising approaches are essential to addressing the crisis' underlying governance challenges, supporting an effective recovery process, and building back better rule of law based societies. The World Justice Challenge 2021: Advancing the Rule of Law in a Time of Crisis seeks to further these efforts. LEARN MORE

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Reidsville Area Foundation: COVID-19 Emergency Response Funds (Application Deadline: Rolling)

The health and wellbeing of our community is Reidsville Area Foundation's top priority. Reidsville Area Foundation will continue to accept grant requests surrounding our four funding priorities: early childhood, public education, community development, and health and wellness. In addition, we have created COVID-19 Emergency Response Grants, a funding support structure for organizations in Rockingham County that are highly impacted by COVID-19. We see our role as helping our community partners by supporting local response efforts and building bridges over obstacles for residents. Reidsville Area Foundation will deploy COVID-19 Emergency Response Grants rapidly through an expedited application process to community based organizations responding to the immediate needs of residents during the pandemic. We have mobilized a review process to make decisions as quickly as possible. Public charities, governmental units, and public institutions that serve Rockingham County residents are eligible to apply. LEARN MORE



Open Road Alliance (Application Deadline: Rolling)

The effect of the COVID-19 pandemic on the impact sector has reached natural disaster proportions in its scope and scale, which means that the global need for our 'emergency' capital vastly outstrips our available resources. Given this reality, we have decided to use our limited resources to best serve the sector under the following circumstances: 1) Charitable Grants: Will only be offered to organizations responding directly to COVID-19. Awards can be up to \$100,000. 2) Loans: Open Road will be offering four loan products to organizations affected by COVID-19: i) Lost Event Revenue, ii) Accelerating Incoming Emergency Funds, iii) Co-investment to Support Social Enterprises, and iv) Deep Impact Loans. As always, all of our grant and loan products will be subject to Open Road's traditional criteria: We only make a loan or grant to an organization that is 1) otherwise fully funded, then 2) hit an unexpected, external roadblock (i.e., COVID-19), where 3) Open Road's loan can fully solve the problem at hand and 4) demonstrate the potential to create catalytic impact. LEARN MORE

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Healthcare and Behavioral/Mental Health Grants

HRSA Rural Health Care Services Outreach Program (Application Deadline: December 1, 2020)

The Outreach Program is a community-based grant program aimed towards promoting rural health care services by enhancing health care delivery to rural underserved populations in the local community or region. Through consortia of local health care and social service providers, communities can develop innovative approaches to challenges related to the specific health needs in rural areas that expand clinical and service capacity in rural communities. LEARN MORE

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CDC Advancing Population-Based Surveillance of Birth Defects (Application Deadline: December 8, 2020)

This NOFO solicits non-research, cooperative agreement applications to strengthen the capacity of existing birth defects surveillance programs to respond to emerging threats to mothers and babies as a key component of preparedness, identify and address mechanisms contributing to health disparities, and improve the health outcomes among affected populations. This will be accomplished by 1) improving birth defects surveillance capacity, including leveraging electronic health records and interoperability capabilities to enhance surveillance of birth defects, 2) improving birth defects surveillance data quality, and 3) using the surveillance data to improve health outcomes of affected populations. LEARN MORE



CDC Cooperative Research Agreements Related to the World Trade Center Health Program (U01)

(Application Deadline: December 8, 2020)

The purpose of this announcement is to help address the Zadroga Act research mandate, and in consultation with the World Trade Center (WTC), NIOSH is soliciting applications for scientifically rigorous research to help answer critical questions about: 1) Physical and mental health conditions that may be related to the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks; 2) Diagnosing WTC-related health conditions for which there has been diagnostic uncertainty; and 3) Treating WTC-related health conditions for which there has been treatment uncertainty. LEARN MORE

NIH Pediatric and Reproductive Environmental Health Scholars (PREHS): Strengthening the Pipeline (K12)

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HRSA Thalassemia Regional Program (Application Deadline: December 21, 2020)

The goal of this program is to improve access to evidence-informed care for individuals with thalassemia. HRSA will support three awards for Thalassemia Regional Program recipients to establish regional infrastructures to increase the number of providers treating or co-managing individuals with thalassemia in their communities. **LEARN MORE**

USDA Community Connect Grant Program (Application Deadline: December 23, 2020)

The Community Connect Program helps rural communities extend access where broadband service is least likely to be commercially available, but where it can make a tremendous difference in the quality of life for people and businesses. The projects funded by these grants help rural residents tap into the enormous potential of the Internet for jobs, education, healthcare, public safety, and community development. LEARN MORE



CDC Implementing and Evaluating a Data-to-Care Rx Strategy (Application Deadline: January 5, 2021)

The purpose of this NOFO is to: 1) utilize real-time prescription data to identify HIV-infected patients who are late filling their antiretroviral (ARV) prescriptions and to target these individuals for progressive adherence and retention interventions; 2) to determine the essential steps and critical elements for conducting a Data-to-Care Rx (D2C Rx) strategy; and 3) develop a D2C Rx implementation protocol and other implementation materials. The objectives of the NOFO are to improve HIV viral suppression, adherence to ARV therapy and retention in care. LEARN MORE

HRSA Maternal and Child Health (MCH) Leadership, Education, and Advancement in Undergraduate Pathways (LEAP) Training Program (Application Deadline: January 7, 2021)

The purpose of this program is to promote the development of a diverse and representative public health and health care workforce by recruiting undergraduate students from underserved or underrepresented backgrounds, including trainees from racially and ethnically underrepresented groups, into MCH public health and MCH-related health professions in order to improve levels of representation, reduce health disparities, and increase access to health care for vulnerable and underserved MCH populations, including those from such racially and ethnically diverse groups. LEARN MORE

HRSA Behavioral Health Workforce Education and Training (BHWET) Program for Professionals

(Application Deadline: January 21, 2021)

The purpose of the BHWET Program for Professionals is to develop and expand experiential training opportunities, such as field placements and internships, to improve the distribution and supply of the behavioral health workforce. The BHWET Program for Professionals emphasizes relationships with community-based partners (e.g., hospitals, crisis centers, state and local health departments, emergency departments, faith-based organizations, first responders, and judicial systems) to increase access to quality behavioral health services for populations across the lifespan in high need and high demand areas. 1 A special focus is placed on demonstrating knowledge and understanding of the specific concerns for children, adolescents, and transitional-aged youth who are at risk for behavioral health disorders. Additionally, the BHWET Program for Professionals emphasizes interdisciplinary collaboration by utilizing team-based care in integrated behavioral health and primary care settings and recruiting a workforce that reflects participation in the institutions' programs of individuals and groups from different racial, ethnic, cultural, geographic, religious, linguistic, and class backgrounds, and different genders and sexual orientations, interested in serving high need and high demand areas. LEARN MORE



HRSA Regional Telehealth Resource Center Program (Application Deadline: January 21, 2021)

The purpose of the RTRC Program is to provide expert and customized telehealth technical assistance across the country. RTRCs are located regionally to facilitate award activities at the local level and to ensure that resources are geographically distributed. The RTRCs will provide training and support, disseminate information and research findings, promote effective collaboration, and foster the use of telehealth technologies to provide health care information and education for health care providers who serve rural, frontier, and medically underserved areas and populations. It is expected that RTRCs will share expertise through individual consultations, training, webinars, conference presentations, and a significant web presence. LEARN MORE

NIH Tobacco Control Policies to Promote Health Equity (R01) (Application Deadline: February 16, 2021)

The purpose of this FOA is to support observational or intervention research focused on reducing disparities in tobacco use and secondhand smoke (SHS) exposure in the U.S. Specifically, this FOA aims to stimulate scientific inquiry focused on innovative state and local level tobacco prevention and control policies. The long-term goal of this FOA is to reduce disparities in tobacco-related cancers, and in doing so, to promote health equity among all populations. <u>LEARN MORE</u>

CMS Community Health Access and Rural Transformation (CHART) (Application Deadline: February 16, 2021)

The Community Health Access and Rural Transformation (CHART) Model is a voluntary payment model designed to meet the unique needs of rural communities. The CHART Model will test whether aligned financial incentives, increased operational flexibility, and robust technical support promote rural health care providers' capacity to implement effective health care delivery system redesign on a broad scale. The Center for Medicare & Medicaid Innovation (CMMI) will evaluate the impact of the CHART Model on Medicare and Medicaid expenditures, access to care, quality of care, and health outcomes for rural residents. CHART aligns with CMS's Rethinking Rural Health initiative, which aims to ensure individuals in rural America have access to high quality, affordable health care by offering new and creative payment models. The CHART Model will include two tracks: 1) the Community Transformation Track and 2) the Accountable Care Organization (ACO) Transformation Track. This Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) is for the Community Transformation Track only. Under the Community Transformation Track, award recipients will receive cooperative agreement funding and a programmatic framework to assess the needs of their Community (as defined in section A.4.3.1. Community Definition below) and implement health care delivery system redesign. Hospitals participating in the Community Transformation Track Alternative Payment Model (APM) will receive capitated payments. Capitated payments provide hospitals with a stable revenue stream and incentivize reductions in fixed costs and avoidable utilization. Operational flexibilities will be available for participating hospitals to relieve regulatory burden, emphasize high-value services, and support providers in care management for their beneficiaries. LEARN MORE



USDA Economic Impact Initiative Grants (Application Deadline: Rolling)

Economic Impact Initiative Grants provide funding to assist in the development of essential community facilities in rural communities that have extreme unemployment and severe economic depression. An essential community facility is one that provides an essential service to the local community, is needed for the orderly development of the community, serves a primarily rural area, and does not include private, commercial, or business undertakings. Examples of essential community facilities include: Healthcare: hospitals, medical clinics, dental clinics, nursing homes, assisted-living facilities Public Facilities: city/town/village halls, courthouses, airport hangers, street improvements Community Support Services: child care centers, community centers, fairgrounds, transitional housing Public Safety: fire halls, police stations, prisons, jails, police vehicles, fire trucks, public works vehicles and equipment Educational: museums, libraries, private schools Utility: telemedicine, distance learning Local Food Systems: community gardens, food pantries, community kitchens, food banks, food hubs, greenhouses, kitchen appliances. LEARN MORE

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NCDHHS North Carolina School Health Center Program (Application Deadline: December 31, 2021)

The purpose of the North Carolina School Health Centers Program is to provide funding to School Health Centers (SHCs) that will enable them to increase access to age-appropriate health care for older children and adolescents, ages 10 to 19, with the goals of improving the health status and supporting the academic achievement of young people who live in underserved communities with increased risks due to social and economic factors. SHCs funded through this RFA shall be required to provide access to comprehensive, coordinated and preventive health care either through services and programs and/or referrals to other primary care providers, medical specialists, mental and behavioral health agencies, nutritionists and other community services and programs. Through direct services and/or referral networks, SHCs shall be required to focus on early intervention and prevention by assuring access to annual age-appropriate wellness visits (Health Check/EPSDT), health risk assessments and immunizations. The applicants that are selected through this RFA must provide evidence that they have the capacity to implement quality services that are sustainable and are in compliance with the North Carolina Quality Assurance Standards for SHCs and Performance Measures for SHCs based on Bright Futures guidelines and other national guidelines and recommendations. LEARN MORE



NCDHHS Rural Health Center Capital Grant SFY 2020-2021 (Application Deadline: January 8, 2021)

The purpose of grants awarded under this program is to support State-Designated Rural Health Centers. ORH assists underserved communities and populations with developing innovative strategies for improving access, quality, and cost-effectiveness of health care. The ability of a healthcare facility to meet the needs of a rural patient population is directly related to the efficiency, size, and quality of the facility and its equipment. Capital Grant funding allows for investment in healthcare infrastructure, including the construction, renovation, and expansion of rural healthcare facilities. Capital investments can also be made through the purchase and installation of major equipment and technology. Capital Grant funding does not support staff salaries and requests should not duplicate Community Health, Farmworker Health, or Rural Health Center grant funded operating projects. LEARN MORE

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Foundation

The Burroughs Wellcome Fund Next Gen Pregnancy Initiative (Application Deadline: December 1, 2020)

Building upon the original goals of the BWF Preterm Birth Initiative, a recently convened Pregnancy Think Tank has helped shape the next generation of BWF preterm birth awards. Growing evidence suggests the interrelatedness of the duration of pregnancy, fetal growth, and adverse pregnancy outcomes such as preterm birth, preeclampsia, intrauterine growth restriction, stillbirth, and maternal medical complications including maternal mortality. Other areas of interest are climate change and environmental impact on pregnancy, complications associated with ART, and epigenome-wide association studies. We seek to expand the scope of this award mechanism to capture these and other pregnancy outcomes as we believe they will be mutually informative and accelerate discovery. Each award will continue to provide up to \$500,000 over a four-year period (\$125,000 per year). LEARN MORE



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Duke Endowment: Child & Family Well-Being Grant (Pre-Application Deadline: December 15, 2020)

Within Child and Family Well-Being, we focus our work in two main areas: Prevention and Early Intervention for At-Risk Children are programs that focus on replicating evidence-based programs, (such as Incredible Years, or Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy) and building North Carolina and South Carolina's capacity to implement evidence-based models. The second area, Out-Of-Home Care Programs, help the child welfare system improve well-being through better assessment and the exclusive use of high-quality providers that offer a range of services during and after care. LEARN MORE

Duke Endowment: Health Care Grant (Application Deadline: December 15, 2020)

In Health Care, we focus our work in three main areas: (1) Quality and Safety of Care. In today's health care environment, improving quality and safety of care must focus on innovative ways of delivery that are high quality and affordable. Grant requests should aim to improve outcomes for patients and reduce costs. Examples of our work focused on Quality and Safety of Care, include: Emergency Medical Services and Improving Health Care through Collaboration. (2) Access to Care. Improving access to health care services improved quality of life and health status for all individuals. Funding community-based networks of care that improve access to primary and specialty care for the low-income, uninsured to have access to coordinated care is a priority. In addition, we will consider requests focused on: Expanding the primary care workforce in underrepresented or rural, disadvantaged communities and developing new models of workforce training. Examples of our work focused on Access to Care, include: Creating a Network of Care for the Low-Income Uninsured and Strengthening the Primary Care Workforce. (3) Prevention. Grant requests that seek opportunities to deploy strategies aimed at preventing chronic disease and improving the health of communities will be considered. Collaborative efforts between health care and public health systems that measurably improve the health of defined populations are encouraged. Examples of our work focused on Access to Care, include: Promoting Healthy Hospitals and Improving Statewide Health and Wellness. LEARN MORE



Hearst Foundations Grants (Application Deadline: Rolling)

The Hearst Foundations support well-established nonprofit organizations that address significant issues within their major areas of interests - culture, education, health and social service – and that primarily serve large demographic and/or geographic constituencies. In each area of funding, the Foundations seek to identify those organizations achieving truly differentiated results relative to other organizations making similar efforts for similar populations. The Foundations also look for evidence of sustainability beyond their support. The Hearst Foundations assist leading regional hospitals, medical centers and specialized medical institutions providing access to high-quality healthcare for low-income populations. In response to the shortage of healthcare professionals necessary to meet the country's evolving needs, the Foundations also fund programs designed to enhance skills and increase the number of practitioners and educators across roles in healthcare. Because the Foundations seek to use their funds to create a broad and enduring impact on the nation's health, support for medical research and the development of young investigators is also considered. Preference will be given to: (1) Professional development (2) Programs improving access to high-quality healthcare for low-income populations (3) Programs developing and providing specialized care for the complex needs of elderly populations (4) Programs scaling innovative healthcare delivery systems to provide efficient, coordinated care (5) Research, particularly related to finding new cures and treatments for prevalent diseases, such as cancer. LEARN MORE

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RWJF Evidence for Action: Investigator-Initiated Research to Build a Culture of Health (Application Deadline: Rolling)

Evidence for Action (E4A), a national program of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF), funds research that expands the evidence needed to build a Culture of Health. A Culture of Health is broadly defined as one in which good health and well-being flourish across geographic, demographic, and social sectors; public and private decision-making is guided by the goal of fostering equitable communities; and everyone has the opportunity to make choices that lead to healthy lifestyles. RWJF's Culture of Health Action Framework, which was developed to catalyze a national movement toward improved health, well-being, and equity, guides E4A's program strategy. LEARN MORE



The Leon Levine Foundation (Application Deadline: Rolling)

Created in 1980 by Leon Levine (Founder and Chairman Emeritus of Family Dollar Stores, Inc.), The Leon Levine Foundation's mission is to improve the human condition by creating permanent, measurable, and life-changing impact throughout the Carolinas. Based in Charlotte, N.C., the foundation invests in nonprofits with strong leadership, a track record of success, and a focus on sustainability in the areas of healthcare, education, Jewish values, and human services. Healthcare: One of the characteristics of a successful and thriving community is access to quality physical and mental healthcare. By investing in effective healthcare programs, we have a unique opportunity to enrich lives. The Foundation not only funds local programming and medical research to improve health outcomes, but also supports grantees that improve access to healthcare for those who are living with disease and illness. LEARN MORE

The Commonwealth Fund (Application Deadline: Rolling)

The mission of the Commonwealth Fund is to promote a high-performing health care system that achieves better access, improved quality, and greater efficiency, particularly for society's most vulnerable, including low-income people, the uninsured, and people of color. The Fund carries out this mandate by supporting independent research on health care issues and making grants to improve health care practice and policy. In its more than 100 years, the Fund has worked by: (1) Demonstrating pioneering approaches and evaluating their results (2) Convening experts across backgrounds and disciplines (3) Publishing the results of our research and disseminating evidence. To apply for a grant from the Commonwealth Fund, please submit a letter of inquiry (LOI) using the online portal. We acknowledge LOIs upon receipt and will contact you to request additional information if needed. Applicants are typically advised of the results of their inquiries within a month and often sooner. LOIs are accepted on a rolling basis. Current funding priorities include vulnerable populations, tracking health system performance, health care coverage and access, international health policy and practice, controlling health care costs, advancing Medicare, Federal and State health policy. health care delivery system reform. LEARN MORE



Workforce Development

Federal

HUD Jobs Plus Initiative (Application Deadline: December 1, 2020)

The Jobs Plus program develops locally-based, job-driven approaches that increase earnings and advance employment outcomes through work readiness, employer linkages, job placement, educational advancement, technology skills, and financial literacy for residents of public housing. The place-based Jobs Plus program addresses poverty among public housing residents by incentivizing and enabling employment through earned income disregards for working residents and a set of services designed to support work including employer linkages, job placement and counseling, educational advancement, and financial counseling. Ideally, these incentives will saturate the target developments, building a culture of work and making working residents the norm. The Jobs Plus program comprises these three core components: (1) Employment-Related Services (2) Financial Incentives – Jobs Plus Earned Income Disregard (JPEID) (3) Community Supports for Work. LEARN MORE

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NIH Neuroscience Development for Advancing the Careers of a Diverse Research Workforce (R25) (LOI Deadline: December 25, 2020) (Application Deadline: January 25, 2021)

The NIH Research Education Program (R25) supports research education activities in the mission areas of the NIH. The over-arching goal of this NINDS Neuroscience Development for Advancing the Careers of a Diverse Research Workforce R25 program is to support educational activities that enhance the diversity of the biomedical, behavioral and clinical research workforce by (1) increasing the pool of current and future Ph.D.-level research scientists from diverse backgrounds underrepresented in biomedical neuroscience research; and (2) facilitating the career advancement/transition of the participants to the next step of their neuroscience careers. To accomplish the stated over-arching goal, this FOA will support creative educational activities with a primary focus on NINDS relevant research experiences, mentoring activities that enhance competencies or leadership education and courses on skills development. Programs that target transitions and/or more than one career stage for neuroscience career advancement and progression are strongly encouraged. NINDS support for this R25 program relies equally on scientific merit and programmatic considerations. Consequently, we recommend that potential applicants contact Scientific/Research staff at NINDS before preparing an application. NINDS will not support projects if they do not fulfill current programmatic priorities at NINDS. LEARN MORE

HRSA Maternal and Child Health (MCH) Leadership, Education, and Advancement in Undergraduate Pathways (LEAP) Training Program (Application Deadline: January 7, 2021)

The purpose of this program is to promote the development of a diverse and representative public health and health care workforce by recruiting undergraduate students from underserved or underrepresented backgrounds, including trainees from racially and ethnically underrepresented groups, into MCH public health and MCH-related health professions in order to improve levels of representation, reduce health disparities, and increase access to health care for vulnerable and underserved MCH populations, including those from such racially and ethnically diverse groups. LEARN MORE

NSF Advancing Informal STEM Learning (Application Deadline: January 12, 2021)

The Advancing Informal STEM Learning (AISL) program seeks to advance new approaches to and evidence-based understanding of the design and development of STEM learning opportunities for the public in informal environments; provide multiple pathways for broadening access to and engagement in STEM learning experiences; advance innovative research on and assessment of STEM learning in informal environments; and engage the public of all ages in learning STEM in informal environments. The AISL program supports six types of projects: (1) Pilots and Feasibility Studies, (2) Research in Service to Practice, (3) Innovations in Development, (4) Broad Implementation, (5)Literature Reviews, Syntheses, or Meta-Analyses, and (6) Conferences. LEARN MORE



NSF Training-based Workforce Development for Advanced Cyberinfrastructure (Application Deadline: January 20, 2021)

This program seeks to prepare, nurture, and grow the national scientific research workforce for creating, utilizing, and supporting advanced cyberinfrastructure (CI) to enable and potentially transform fundamental science and engineering research and contribute to the Nation's overall economic competitiveness and security. The goals of this solicitation are to (i) ensure broad adoption of CI tools, methods, and resources by the research community in order to catalyze major research advances and to enhance researchers' abilities to lead the development of new CI; and (ii) integrate core literacy and discipline-appropriate advanced skills in advanced CI as well as computational and data-driven science and engineering into the Nation's educational curriculum/instructional material fabric spanning undergraduate and graduate courses for advancing fundamental research. Pilot and Implementation projects may target one or both of the solicitation goals, while Large-scale Project Conceptualization projects must address both goals. For the purpose of this solicitation, advanced CI is broadly defined as the set of resources, tools, methods, and services for advanced computation, large-scale data handling and analytics, and networking and security for large-scale systems that collectively enable potentially transformative fundamental research. LEARN MORE

HRSA Behavioral Health Workforce Education and Training (BHWET) Program for Professionals

(Application Deadline: January 21, 2021)

The purpose of the BHWET Program for Professionals is to develop and expand experiential training opportunities, such as field placements and internships, to improve the distribution and supply of the behavioral health workforce. The BHWET Program for Professionals emphasizes relationships with community-based partners (e.g., hospitals, crisis centers, state and local health departments, emergency departments, faith-based organizations, first responders, and judicial systems) to increase access to quality behavioral health services for populations across the lifespan in high need and high demand areas. 1 A special focus is placed on demonstrating knowledge and understanding of the specific concerns for children, adolescents, and transitional-aged youth who are at risk for behavioral health disorders. Additionally, the BHWET Program for Professionals emphasizes interdisciplinary collaboration by utilizing team-based care in integrated behavioral health and primary care settings and recruiting a workforce that reflects participation in the institutions' programs of individuals and groups from different racial, ethnic, cultural, geographic, religious, linguistic, and class backgrounds, and different genders and sexual orientations, interested in serving high need and high demand areas. LEARN MORE



HRSA Regional Telehealth Resource Center Program (Application Deadline: January 21, 2021)

The purpose of the RTRC Program is to provide expert and customized telehealth technical assistance across the country. RTRCs are located regionally to facilitate award activities at the local level and to ensure that resources are geographically distributed. The RTRCs will provide training and support, disseminate information and research findings, promote effective collaboration, and foster the use of telehealth technologies to provide health care information and education for health care providers who serve rural, frontier, and medically underserved areas and populations. It is expected that RTRCs will share expertise through individual consultations, training, webinars, conference presentations, and a significant web presence. LEARN MORE

State

NCDHHS Community Rehabilitation Program (CRP) (Application Deadline: Rolling)

Community Rehabilitation Service providers can offer: 1) Supported-employment services, 2) Transitional employment, 3) IPS (Individual Placement and Support) supported employment, 4) Work-adjustment training, 5) Work-adjustment job coaching, and 6) Community-based assessment. <u>LEARN MORE</u>

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Hearst Foundations Grants

(Application Deadline: Rolling)

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Children and Families

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State

NCDHHS Preschool Development Grant Birth through Five (PDG B-5) Renewal Grant Statewide Birth to 3 Program Feasibility and Cost Study (Application Deadline: December 9, 2020)

The goal or function of this initiative is to fund a contractor that will conduct a study feasibility and costs for the development of a program designed to provide high-quality comprehensive child development and family support program to low-income at-risk children birth through age three and their families; and develop a legislative strategy to engage North Carolina legislators in understanding the importance of birth to age two development and reviewing and providing input on the study results. LEARN MORE



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Foundation

The Burroughs Wellcome Fund Next Gen Pregnancy Initiative (Application Deadline: December 1, 2020)

Building upon the original goals of the BWF Preterm Birth Initiative, a recently convened Pregnancy Think Tank has helped shape the next generation of BWF preterm birth awards. Growing evidence suggests the interrelatedness of the duration of pregnancy, fetal growth, and adverse pregnancy outcomes such as preterm birth, preeclampsia, intrauterine growth restriction, stillbirth, and maternal medical complications including maternal mortality. Other areas of interest are climate change and environmental impact on pregnancy, complications associated with ART, and epigenome-wide association studies. We seek to expand the scope of this award mechanism to capture these and other pregnancy outcomes as we believe they will be mutually informative and accelerate discovery. Each award will continue to provide up to \$500,000 over a four-year period (\$125,000 per year). LEARN MORE

Duke Endowment: Child & Family Well-Being Grant (Pre-Application Deadline: December 15, 2020)

Within Child and Family Well-Being, we focus our work in two main areas: Prevention and Early Intervention for At-Risk Children are programs that focus on replicating evidence-based programs, (such as Incredible Years, or Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy) and building North Carolina and South Carolina's capacity to implement evidence-based models. The second area, Out-Of-Home Care Programs, help the child welfare system improve well-being through better assessment and the exclusive use of high-quality providers that offer a range of services during and after care. LEARN MORE



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K-12 Education

Federal

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Food Insecurity

Federal

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Housing

Federal

HUD Jobs Plus Initiative (Application Deadline: December 1, 2020)

The Jobs Plus program develops locally-based, job-driven approaches that increase earnings and advance employment outcomes through work readiness, employer linkages, job placement, educational advancement, technology skills, and financial literacy for residents of public housing. The place-based Jobs Plus program addresses poverty among public housing residents by incentivizing and enabling employment through earned income disregards for working residents and a set of services designed to support work including employer linkages, job placement and counseling, educational advancement, and financial counseling. Ideally, these incentives will saturate the target developments, building a culture of work and making working residents the norm. The Jobs Plus program comprises these three core components: (1) Employment-Related Services (2) Financial Incentives – Jobs Plus Earned Income Disregard (JPEID) (3) Community Supports for Work. LEARN MORE

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EDA Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance Programs Including CARES Act Funding

(Application Deadline: Rolling)

Under this NOFO, EDA solicits applications from applicants in rural and urban areas to provide investments that support construction, non-construction, technical assistance, and revolving loan fund projects under EDA's Public Works and EAA programs. Grants and cooperative agreements made under these programs are designed to leverage existing regional assets and support the implementation of economic development strategies that advance new ideas and creative approaches to advance economic prosperity in distressed communities. EDA provides strategic investments on a competitive- merit-basis to support economic development, foster job creation, and attract private investment in economically distressed areas of the United States. Past projects have included funding for water and wastewater projects in hospitals and healthcare facilities and road infrastructure projects that would support the expansion of healthcare facilities. Funding is available for: Public Works Projects (Water and sewer system improvements, Industrial parks, Shipping and logistics facilities, Workforce training facilities, Brownfield development, Telecommunications infrastructure and development facilities.) LEARN MORE



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State

NCDHHS Community Health Grant (Application Deadline: January 15, 2021)

Safety net organizations are facing increasing demand for access to services in communities across our state, not the least of which has been the current Novel Coronavirus pandemic. Safety net organizations have had to quickly adapt to the new environment to improve access and sustainability. These grant funds, supported through the North Carolina General Assembly, are for assuring access to primary and preventive care to meet the health needs of our state's most vulnerable populations. Strengthening the safety net through increased levels of collaboration and integration of services and organizations to more effectively sustain and meet the needs of those served is also an important purpose of this grant. Primary care safety net organizations that care for underserved and medically indigent patients in the state are eligible to apply for this funding to pay for patient care through encounter-based reimbursement (Track A) or through reimbursement for eligible expenses (Track B). Telehealth services and equipment are eligible expenses in both tracks. Applicants must select ONE track. LEARN MORE



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RWJF Evidence for Action: Investigator-Initiated Research to Build a Culture of Health (Application Deadline: Rolling)

Evidence for Action (E4A), a national program of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF), funds research that expands the evidence needed to build a Culture of Health. A Culture of Health is broadly defined as one in which good health and well-being flourish across geographic, demographic, and social sectors; public and private decision-making is guided by the goal of fostering equitable communities; and everyone has the opportunity to make choices that lead to healthy lifestyles. RWJF's Culture of Health Action Framework, which was developed to catalyze a national movement toward improved health, well-being, and equity, guides E4A's program strategy. LEARN MORE



Forecasted Federal Grants

HRSA Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Part D - Women, Infants, Children and Youth Grant Supplemental Funding

(Estimated Application Deadline: January 12, 2021)

The Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program (RWHAP) Part D – Grants for Coordinated HIV Services and Access to Research for Women, Infants, Children, and Youth (WICY) Supplemental assists currently funded RWHAP Part D WICY recipients in their efforts to strengthen their organizational interventions to improve health outcomes along the HIV care continuum for lowincome underserved WICY living with HIV/AIDS in their current service area. Existing RWHAP Part D WICY recipients may submit proposals for one of the following categories: 1) HIV Care Innovation or 2) Infrastructure Development to address the gaps and need for a comprehensive continuum of outpatient HIV primary care services. Funding under this program is not intended to support long-term activities. Instead, the proposed activity should be of a short-term nature and should be completed by the end of the one-year project period. LEARN MORE

HRSA Behavioral Health Workforce Education and Training (BHWET) Program – Paraprofessionals

(Estimated Application Deadline: February 4, 2021)

The purpose of the BHWET Paraprofessionals program is to improve the supply and distribution of behavioral health paraprofessionals fully equipped to practice in integrated, interprofessional team-based settings, trained in high quality services to populations across the lifespan, and working in rural and medically underserved areas. **LEARN MORE**

HRSA Integrated Substance Use Disorder Training Program (ISTP) (Estimated Application Deadline: February 8, 2021)

The purpose of the Integrated Substance Use Disorder Training Program (ISTP) is to expand the number of nurse practitioners, physician assistants, health service psychologists, and social workers trained to provide mental and substance use disorder services in underserved community-based settings that integrate primary care and mental and substance use disorder services. <u>LEARN MORE</u>



OASH Family-Centered Approaches to Improving Type 2 Diabetes Control and Prevention (Estimated Application Deadline: February 15, 2021)

The HHS Office of Minority Health will offer funding for an initiative to test and disseminate models/protocols that use a theoretically-based family-centered approach to promote the management and prevention of Type 2 diabetes in adults. Implementation of models/protocols may be delivered by and/or with the assistance of community health workers and/or communitybased organizations to ensure cultural and linguistically appropriate delivery of services and sustainability. Funded projects will employ a strong theoretical framework to foster replicability, specifying community factors and resources that enable sustainability. Models/protocols will: (1) Describe the roles of family in the intervention, provide detailed family-based topics to be embedded in interventions, assess the quality and extent of family participation necessary for positive diabetes markers and health outcomes for persons with diabetes and family members; (2) Delineate how the model(s) takes into account and is (are) tailored to cultural factors/ Social Determinants Of Health that may affect the adoption of self-management activities and behaviors associated with diabetes prevention; and (3) Identify lifestyle modifications and community supports (e.g., sustainable resources/institutions for physical activity and nutrition) that build and reinforce behavioral changes conducive to diabetes control and prevention that may be strengthened through reciprocal influence. LEARN MORE

CDC Research Grants to Develop or Identify Effective Strategies to Prevent Overdose Involving Illicit Stimulants and Polysubstance Use Involving Stimulants (Estimated Application Deadline: February 18, 2021)

The National Center for Injury Prevention and Control (NCIPC) is soliciting investigator-initiated research that will support the identification of effective strategies for state, community, and systems-level implementation to prevent fatal and nonfatal overdoses involving illicit stimulants as well as polysubstance use and overdose involving illicit stimulants. Research supported by this this Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) is intended to directly contribute to the evaluation of new or adapted strategies, programs, or policies that can be implemented at the state, community, or systems-level to prevent illicit stimulant-involved fatal and nonfatal overdose. Of particular interest is research that focuses on groups experiencing disadvantage, defined for the purpose of this NOFO as racially/ethnically diverse or experiencing poverty. We intend to fund at least two applications that focus on such populations. Meritorious research assessing risk and protective factors for stimulant use, use disorder, and overdose that can contribute to the development or adaptation of intervention strategies will also be considered; however, we intend to fund at least three applications evaluating intervention effectiveness. LEARN MORE



HRSA Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Part C Capacity Development Program (Estimated Application Deadline: February 19, 2021)

The Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program (RWHAP) Part C Capacity Development Program serves to strengthen organizational infrastructure and increase the capacity to develop, enhance, or expand access to high-quality HIV primary health care services for low-income, uninsured, and underserved people living with HIV (PLWH). Applicants may submit proposals for one of the following categories to address the gaps and need for a comprehensive continuum of outpatient HIV primary care services in the current service area: 1) HIV Care Innovation or 2) Infrastructure Development. Applicants must select one category and one type of activity from the selected category. Funding under this program is not intended to support long-term activities. Instead, the proposed activity should be of a short-term nature and should be completed by the end of the one-year project period. LEARN MORE