



Weekly Funding Opportunity Announcements
Monday, March 25th, 2013

Reminder: ORSD coordinates and pays for external reviews and editorial services for HSPH Assistant and Associate Professors preparing NIH grant proposals.

For more information please contact Amanda Spickard at orsd@hsph.harvard.edu or ext. 2-1711.

NIH Funding Announcements – New This Week

New RFAs for week ending March 22, 2013:

Announcement Number	Issuing Organization	Release Date	Opening Date (SF424 Only)	Expiration Date	Activity Code(s)	Title
RFA-AI-13-016	NIAID	03/21/2013	n/a	07/30/2013	U19	Cooperative Centers on Human Immunology (U19)
RFA-FD-13-011	FDA	03/21/2013	04/02/2013	05/17/2013	U18	Limited Competition: Training for Examination, inspection, and investigation of food manufacturing, processing, packing, holding, distribution, and importation, including retail food establishments (U18)
<p>**The sponsor has limited the number of applications that institutions may submit for this award. If you are interested in applying for this opportunity, please submit a brief notice of intent to apply for this award to the HSPH Office of Research Strategy and Development (orsd@hsph.harvard.edu) by Monday, April 1st, 2013. Based on the number of notices received, we will determine whether an internal competition/internal coordination may be needed at the School or University-level to select nominees for this award.</p>						
RFA-DA-14-003	NIDA	03/20/2013	07/01/2013	08/02/2013	R01	Advancing Exceptional Research on HIV/AIDS (R01)
RFA-MD-13-005	NIMHD	03/20/2013	07/02/2013	08/03/2013	R01	Revision Applications for Basic Social and Behavioral Research on the Social, Cultural, Biological, and Psychological Mechanisms of Stigma (R01)
RFA-FD-13-010	FDA	03/19/2013	n/a	06/02/2013	P50	Pediatric Device Consortia Grant Program (P50)

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RFA-NR-13-010	NINR	03/18/2013	04/14/2013	05/15/2013	T32	Limited Competition: Scholars Training for the Advancement of Research (STAR): Revision to NINR T32 Training Grants (T32)

New PARs:

Announcement Number	Issuing Organization	Release Date	Opening Date (SF424 Only)	Expiration Date	Activity Code(s)	Title
PA-13-157	NIMH	03/25/2013	05/16/2013	01/08/2016	R21	Development and Application of PET and SPECT Imaging Ligands as Biomarkers for Drug Discovery and for Pathophysiological Studies of CNS Disorders (R21)
PAR-13-158	NIMH	03/25/2013	05/16/2013	05/08/2016	R21/R33	Development and Application of PET and SPECT Imaging Ligands as Biomarkers for Drug Discovery and for Pathophysiological Studies of CNS Disorders (R21/R33)
PA-13-153	NIDDK	03/22/2013	05/05/2013	05/08/2016	R01	Home and Family Based Approaches for the Prevention or Management of Overweight or Obesity in Early Childhood (R01)
PA-13-154	NIDDK	03/22/2013	05/16/2013	05/08/2016	R21	Home and Family Based Approaches for the Prevention or Management of Overweight or Obesity in Early Childhood (R21)
PA-13-155	NIA	03/22/2013	05/05/2013	09/08/2016	R01	Development and Characterization of Animal Models for Aging Research (R01)
PA-13-156	NIA	03/22/2013	05/16/2013	09/08/2016	R21	Development and Characterization of Animal Models for Aging Research (R21)
PAR-13-149	NIAID	03/22/2013	05/04/2013	01/14/2016	R01	NIAID Clinical Trial Implementation Grant (R01)
PAR-13-150	NIAID	03/22/2013	05/04/2013	01/14/2016	R34	NIAID Clinical Trial Planning

Announcement Number	Issuing Organization	Release Date	Opening Date (SF424 Only)	Expiration Date	Activity Code(s)	Title
						Grant (R34)
PAR-13-151	NIAID	03/22/2013	05/04/2013	01/14/2016	U01	NIAID Clinical Trial Implementation Cooperative Agreement (U01)
PAR-13-152	NIA	03/22/2013	05/16/2013	05/08/2016	R36	Aging Research Dissertation Awards to Increase Diversity (R36)
PAR-13-147	NIA	03/21/2013	04/25/2013	05/26/2016	U19	Limited Competition: Dominantly Inherited Alzheimer Network (U19)
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PAR-13-148	NIA	03/21/2013	04/25/2013	05/26/2016	U19	Limited Competition: Biomarkers for Older Controls at Risk for Dementia (BIOCARD) Study (U19)
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PA-13-145	ORIP	03/19/2013	05/16/2013	05/08/2016	R21	Development of Animal Models and Related Biological Materials for Research (R21)
PAR-13-144	NIBIB	03/19/2013	n/a	01/08/2014	P41	NIBIB Biomedical Technology Resource Centers (P41)
PAR-13-146	NCI	03/19/2013	05/28/2013	09/05/2015	R21	NCI Exploratory/Developmental Research Grant Program (NCI Omnibus R21)

Other Federal Funding Announcements

***Limited Submission - NSF Scalable Nanomanufacturing (Notice 13-545).**

Sponsor: National Science Foundation (NSF)
Opportunity: Scalable Nanomanufacturing NSF 13-545
Anticipated Type of Award: Standard Grant or Continuing Grant
Estimated Number of Awards: 4 to 6
Number of applications available to Harvard: 1
Anticipated Funding Amount: \$5,000,000 pending the availability of funds

Two-page Proposals due to OVPR: **March 25, 2013, 5 p.m.**

(Please read the [opportunity description](#) carefully and submit a proposal of not more than two pages and a copy of your CV to Autumn Bennett at autumn_bennett@harvard.edu. Proposals will be reviewed by the Office of the Vice Provost for Research in consultation with internal faculty reviewers as appropriate).

Final Proposal Due to NSF: June 3, 2013

Synopsis of Opportunity:

The National Science Foundation (NSF) announces a third year of a program on collaborative research and education in the area of scalable nanomanufacturing, including the long-term societal implications of the large-scale implementation of nanomanufacturing innovations. This program is in response to and is a component of the National Nanotechnology Initiative Signature Initiative: *Sustainable Nanomanufacturing - Creating the Industries of the Future* (<http://www.nano.gov/node/611>). Although many nanofabrication techniques have demonstrated the ability to fabricate small quantities of nanomaterials and devices for characterization and evaluation purposes, the emphasis of this program is on research to overcome the key impediments that prevent the low cost production of useful nanomaterials, devices and systems at industrially relevant scale.

***New** - [CDC: Capacity Strengthening to Support Provision of High Quality and Evidence-based HIV Prevention, Care and Treatment Services to Staff and Family Members of the Kenya Prisons Services Staff, Family Members, and Prisoners in Kenya and Program Transition to Go](#)

Closing Date: April 16, 2013

***New** - [CDC: Strengthening Human Resources for Health through Public Health Training Improvements at the Muhimbili University of Health and Allied Sciences \(MUHAS\), School of Public Health and Social Sciences \(SPHSS\) in the United Republic of Tanzania under PEPFAR Modification 1](#)

Closing Date: April 16, 2013

***New** - [CDC: National Center for HIV/AIDS, Viral Hepatitis, Sexually Transmitted Diseases and Tuberculosis Prevention, Public Health Conference Support](#)

Closing Date: April 30, 2013

***New** - [CDC: Developing Research Capacity to Assess Health Effects Associated with Volcanic Emissions and other Environmental Exposures](#)

Closing Date: May 14, 2013

***New** - [CDC: Establishing a Center for Public Health Training in Complex Humanitarian Emergencies Grant](#)

Closing Date: May 25, 2013

[NIH: Advancing Eating Disorders Research through Dimensional Studies of Biology and Behavior](#)

Closing Date: June 11, 2013

[NIH: Mechanism for Time-Sensitive Research Opportunities in Environmental Health Sciences](#)

Closing Date: April 1, 2016

[NIH: Understanding and Promoting Health Literacy](#)

Closing Date: May 7, 2016

[SAMHSA: Targeted Capacity Expansion: Substance Abuse Treatment for Racial/Ethnic Minority Women at High Risk for HIV/AIDS](#)

Closing Date: May 14, 2013

[IRP: Ridge Center for National Food and Nutrition Assistance Research 2013–2014 Small Grants Program](#)

Closing Date: April 15, 2013

[CDC: Strengthening Human Resources for Health through Public Health Training Improvements at the Muhimbili University of Health and Allied Sciences \(MUHAS\), School of Public Health and Social Sciences \(SPHSS\) in the United Republic of Tanzania under PEPFAR](#)

Closing Date: April 3, 2013

[CDC: Research of Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis \(ALS\) Risk Factors and Burden of Disease to Support the National ALS Registry Effort](#)

Closing Date: March 25, 2013

[BMGF: Saving Lives at Birth](#)

Closing Date: March 28, 2013

[BMGF: Grand Challenges family of grant programs](#)

Closing Date: May 7, 2013

[BMGF: Reducing the Burden of Preterm Birth](#)

Closing Date: May 7, 2013

[NIH: Alzheimer's Disease Research Centers](#)

Closing Date: June 11, 2013

[NIH: Dissemination and Implementation Research in Health](#)

Closing Date: January 7, 2016

[NIH: Understanding and Promoting Health Literacy](#)

Closing Date: May 7, 2016

[RWJF: Pioneer Portfolio Releases Call for Proposals](#)

Closing Date: April 17, 2013

[NIH: NINDS Stroke Trials Network - Regional Coordinating Stroke Centers \(U10\)](#)

Closing Date: May 15, 2013

[NIH: Specialized Cooperative Centers Program in Reproduction and Infertility Research \(U54\)](#)

Closing Date: July 25, 2013

[NIH: Research on Alcohol and HIV/AIDS \(R03\)](#)

Closing Date: May 7, 2016

[NIH: Regional and International Differences in Health and Longevity at Older Ages \(R03\)](#)

Closing Date: September 7, 2016

[NIH: Obesity Policy Evaluation Research \(R01\)](#)

Closing Date: May 7, 2016

[SAMHSA: Expand the Use of Technology-Assisted Care in Targeted Areas of Need Grant](#)

Closing Date: April 10, 2013

[AHRQ: Grants for Health Services Research Dissertation Program \(R36\)](#)

Closing Dates: May 1, August 1, and November 1, 2013

[CDC: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Providing Information System Support for Training and Implementation of National HIV Monitoring Systems in the United Republic of Tanzania under the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief Grant](#)

Closing Dates: April 3, 2013

[CDC: Namibian Mechanism for Provision of Implementation Support for Evaluation and Research \(PISER\) under the Presidential Emergency Plan For AIDS Relief](#)

Closing Date: April 10, 2013

[CDC: Behavioral and Serological Survey \(BSS\) for HIV and Syphilis among Diamond Mine Workers in Angola Grant](#)

Closing Date: April 10, 2013

[NIH: Prevention and Health Promotion Interventions to Prevent Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse and Associated Physical and Psychological Health Problems in U.S. Military Personnel, Veterans and their Families](#)

Closing Dates: May 1, 2013

[NIH: School Nutrition and Physical Activity Policies, Obesogenic Behaviors, and Weight Outcomes](#)

Closing Date: May 07, 2016

[PCORI: Assessment of Prevention, Diagnosis, and Treatment Options](#)

Closing Date: March 31, 2013

[PCORI: Improving Healthcare](#)

Closing Date: March 31, 2013

[PCORI: Communication and Dissemination](#)

Closing Date: March 31, 2013

[PCORI: Addressing Disparities](#)

Closing Date: March 31, 2013

[CDC: Occupational Safety and Health Research \(R01\)](#)

Closing Date: May 8, 2013

[CDC: NIOSH Exploratory/Developmental Grant Program](#)

Closing Date: September 8, 2015

[CDC: NIOSH Small Research Program](#)

Closing Date: September 8, 2015

Department of Defense: (FY13) Peer Reviewed Orthopaedic Program

Clinical Trial Award

Release Date: February 21, 2013

[Program Announcement](#)

[Application Instructions \(external link\)](#)

Submission Deadline:

Pre-Application (Preproposal): April 4, 2013

Notification of Invitation to Submit an Application: Mid-May 2013

Application: July 18, 2013

Clinical Trial Development Award

Release Date: February 21, 2013

[Program Announcement](#)

[Application Instructions \(external link\)](#)

Submission Deadline:

Pre-Application (Preproposal): April 4, 2013

Notification of Invitation to Submit an Application: Mid-May 2013

Application: July 18, 2013

Translational Research Award

Release Date: February 21, 2013

[Program Announcement](#)

[Application Instructions \(external link\)](#)

Submission Deadline:

Pre-Application (Preproposal): April 4, 2013

Notification of Invitation to Submit an Application: Mid-May 2013

Application: July 18, 2013

Idea Development Award

Release Date: February 21, 2013

[Program Announcement](#)

[Application Instructions \(external link\)](#)

Submission Deadline:

Pre-Application (Preproposal): April 4, 2013

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Application: July 18, 2013

Internal Harvard Funding Opportunities

REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS

Kidney Cancer Program of the Dana Farber/Harvard Cancer Center Developmental Research Projects in Kidney Cancer

DUE DATE: April 19, 2013

The Kidney Cancer Program of the Dana Farber/Harvard Cancer Center, under the leadership of Dr. David McDermott, seeks applications for funding of research on kidney cancer. Funding will be provided through the Specialized Program of Research Excellence (SPORE) mechanism, a National Cancer Institute sponsored program. Applications must include one investigator on the faculty at Harvard Medical School at the level of Instructor or higher. While the proposed research can be basic or clinical, bench to bedside and bedside to bench strategies need to be addressed, since the purpose of this program is to promote translational research in kidney cancer. Applications will be judged on their scientific merit, relevance to kidney cancer, potential for future translation to clinical application, qualifications of the research team and the potential fit within the overall activities of the DF/HCC Kidney Cancer Program/Kidney Cancer SPORE.

Funding will be for up to \$61,500 in total costs (inclusive of F&A) per year. Although the opportunity exists for extending funding beyond one year, proposals should, in general, focus on a year's worth of research.

Applications should be sent electronically to Tara Johnston, Program Administrator at tjohnst1@bidmc.harvard.edu no later than 4 pm on 04/19/13.

A prior track record in kidney cancer research is preferred but not necessary. Minority and women applicants are strongly encouraged to apply.

Applications must contain the following components on PHS 398 Forms:

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/funding/phs398/phs398.html>

1. Cover letter with Title of proposal, PI, Institution and research administration contact.
2. Abstract of proposed research
3. Abbreviated Research Plan including the Specific Aims, Background and Significance, Preliminary Data, and Experimental Methods, not to exceed 5 pages exclusive of references.
4. Translational Goals of the project, potential application to kidney cancer and anticipated timeline (1 page)
5. NIH Biosketch
6. NIH Other Support Page
7. NIH Budget and Justification; must not exceed Total Costs of \$61,500
8. Institutional Signature provided on a Letter of Intent to Collaborate for non BIDMC proposals.
9. IRB approval documents (if applicable)
10. Human Subject Training Certificate (if applicable)

Anticipated Award Dates: 06/01/13 – 05/31/14

We anticipate being able to fund 3-4 projects for that period.

HSPH Office of Research Strategy and Development **Career Incubator Funds (CIF)**

SUBMISSION INFORMATION

Deadline: **March 26, 2013 (Extended from March 8)**

Submission requirements: An electronic (PDF) copy of application; 5 page limit

Submit to: Office of Research Strategy and Development (ORSD), orsd@hsph.harvard.edu

Contact regarding questions: Amanda Spickard, Senior Associate Director, ORSD,

Phone: (617) 432-1711

OVERVIEW AND GOALS OF CAREER INCUBATOR FUND (CIF)

A key goal of the HSPH Career Incubator Fund (CIF) is to encourage and support the scientific career development of assistant and associate professors on tenure ladder at HSPH. To advance this goal, HSPH will solicit proposals for (a) Pilot Projects, or (b) Data Collection/Analysis Projects that will provide faculty the opportunity to develop their research ideas, collect pilot data, or conduct secondary data analysis to be used as pilot data. A key goal of the CIF is to maximize faculty competitiveness for extramural funding. Although not required, we are particularly interested in proposals that are interdisciplinary in nature. A key goal is to allow faculty to develop innovative and novel ideas/methods.

ELIGIBILITY

Primary HSPH assistant and associate professors who are within 3-8 years of initial appointment are eligible to apply. The goal is to support faculty whose start-up packages have ended. Faculty in their 3rd year will need to provide evidence that their start-up packages will be depleted by the start of the award period. Faculty in their 3rd year are encouraged to discuss their situation with Karen Emmons, Associate Dean for Research (orsd@hsph.harvard.edu). Please note that competitive renewal applications will not be accepted from previous Career Incubator Fund awardees.

NUMBER AND SIZE OF AWARDS

Pilot Projects: We expect to make up to two awards of \$50,000 each for one-year Pilot Projects

Data Collection/Analysis Projects: We expect to make one \$10,000 award to support a smaller Data Collection/Analysis project.

SUBMISSION PROCESS

Proposals are to be submitted directly to ORSD. They are not to go through SPA.

REVIEW PROCESS

Proposals will be reviewed by a committee of senior faculty, with broad representation across the school's three disciplinary clusters (life sciences, quantitative sciences, social/policy sciences).

PROPOSAL CONTENTS AND PAGE LIMITS

- CIF Application Summary Page
- Proposal: Maximum of 5 pages of text. Figures and references are allowable in addition to this page limit. No other appendix material will be accepted.
- Biosketches/Other Support: Current NIH Biosketch/Other Support for each participating investigator, including all funding sources.
- Budget Request: Budget estimates should be submitted on NIH PHS 398 budget forms with major divisions of funds (personnel, equipment, etc), and a brief justification. PIs may include effort and salary support commensurate with their effort. The full amount of the award may be used for direct costs.
- Renewal Applications

- Please also note that applicants submitting renewals must have spent their current awards by the application deadline.
- If submitting a renewal application for a second year of funding, please include a 1-2 page progress report on activities completed under your current CIF award.

AWARD PERIOD

The anticipated award dates are as follows:

- May 2013 for applications submitted in March 2013

FINAL REPORT

A final report is due at the end of the one-year funding period. Should the PI leave the HSPH, the remainder of the award will be forfeited (i.e., may not be transferred to another institution).

Harvard Catalyst - Updated: KL2 Medical Research Investigator Training (MeRIT) awards

The Harvard Catalyst Postgraduate Education Program will soon open the application window for the [KL2 Medical Research Investigator Training \(MeRIT\)](#) awards, an exciting opportunity for:

- Senior fellows – those who will receive their first faculty appointment within 6-12 months
- Junior faculty – those within the first three years of their faculty appointment

Fellows and junior faculty from the health professions represented in Harvard Catalyst (e.g., medicine, dentistry, nursing) who are interested in pursuing rigorous training in clinical and translational research through a combined program of educational activities and mentored research are encouraged to apply.

Learn more about the impact a KL2 award can have on your research [here](#). You can also take a look at the list of [current KL2 awardees](#) and the links to their Harvard Catalyst Profiles.

The award cycle for the 2013 round of KL2 awards has been moved forward to a new start date of July 1, 2013. Applications will be accepted starting December 7, 2012 (*please note this is an update from a previous posting which noted November 9*) and **must be completed by March 14, 2013 by 5:00pm EST.**

For more information on the program, including eligibility requirements, visit [KL2 MeRIT](#) or contact Harvard Catalyst Education Coordinator [Jake Jones](#).

Other Funding Opportunities

***New - Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Roadmaps to Health Prize 2013-2014 Call for Applications**

Deadline: May 23, 2013, 3:00 p.m. EDT

Program Area: [Public Health](#)

Purpose: The *Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) Roadmaps to Health Prize* is awarded annually to honor outstanding community efforts and partnerships that are helping people live healthier lives. Winning communities will each receive a \$25,000 cash prize and have their success stories celebrated and shared broadly with the goal of raising awareness and inspiring locally-driven change across the country.

Program Information:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Call for Applications
How to Apply:	<p>*Please read the call for applications before applying.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apply Online • Preview the complete application before submitting an application.
Total Awards:	Up to six <i>RWJF Roadmaps to Health Prize</i> winning communities will be honored in 2014 and each will receive a no-strings-attached \$25,000 cash prize.
Eligibility & Selection Criteria:	<p>The <i>RWJF Roadmaps to Health Prize</i> is a place-based prize that honors whole communities, so community members are strongly encouraged to collaborate with one another on the application. For the purposes of this prize, “a community” must be defined as one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town • City • County • Tribe or Tribal Community • Region (such as contiguous towns, cities, or counties) <p>Communities will be asked to select primary and alternate contacts for their application. These individuals will indicate their organizational affiliation which could be a:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business • Coalition • Hospital or health care organization • Local foundation • Government agency or department • School • Social service agency <p>Each applicant community will be asked to designate a local governmental or tax exempt public charity to accept the \$25,000 prize on the community’s behalf, should they win.</p>
Key Dates:	<p>For full eligibility and selection criteria, please read the Call for Applications.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • April 2, 2013 (1–2 p.m. ET)—Informational webinar. Registration is required. • May 23, 2013 (3 p.m. ET)—Phase I Applications (for all applicant communities) due. • June 21, 2013—Invitations extended to select applicant communities to submit Phase II Applications. • August 1, 2013 (3 p.m. ET)—Phase II Applications (for invited communities) due. • September 30, 2013—Invitations extended to finalist communities to receive site visits. • October 17–December 20, 2013—Site visits with finalist communities. • First Quarter 2014—Winners notified. • June 2014—Winners celebration event.
Contact:	<p>For more information on the RWJF Roadmaps to Health Prize, please contact: Kirstin Siemering, manager, RWJF Roadmaps to Health Prize, or visit the prize website noted below.</p> <p>RoadmapsPrize@match.wisc.edu Office: (608) 265-3045 http://www.countyhealthrankings.org/roadmaps/prize</p>

American Diabetes Association
Pathway to Stop Diabetes Research Awards
Call for Nominations—Now Open!

Pathway is a bold new initiative to radically transform diabetes research. Our vision is simple yet revolutionary: find a new generation of brilliant scientists at the peak of their creativity and equip them with the freedom, autonomy and financial and professional resources to set them on the road to breakthrough discoveries.

Pathway awards will support exceptional, creative scientists; individuals who are early in their diabetes research careers, or who are currently in other disciplines, but are interested in applying their expertise to diabetes research for the first time.

Pathway will provide the means to conduct transformative science, including:

- Substantial, flexible financial support of \$1.625M over 5 to 7 years
- Scientific and career mentoring from distinguished leaders
- Networks for collaboration and communication

Pathway awards are by institutional nomination only. Nominations for individuals proposing innovative and transformational basic, clinical, translational, epidemiological or health services research that is relevant to any type of diabetes, diabetes-related disease state or complication are welcomed. Nominations of candidates in diverse disciplines, from medicine, biology and chemistry to engineering, mathematics and physics, are encouraged.

To learn more about the available grant opportunities, and for nomination materials, please go to www.diabetes.org/pathway.

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation - Understanding the Use and Impact of Price Data in Health Care 2013 Call for Proposals

<http://pweb1.rwjf.org/applications/solicited/cfp.jsp?ID=21421>

Deadline: April 17, 2013, 3:00 p.m. EDT

Program Area: [Quality/Equality](#)

Purpose: This solicitation seeks to fund empirical studies with strong research designs that would contribute to our knowledge base of the use and impact of health care price data, with the goal of providing reliable and generalizable evidence to inform policy makers and delivery system participants and to help accelerate progress toward using price information effectively. Research could focus on measuring how widely price information is used in health care, assessing awareness of price transparency on the part of consumers and providers, exploring the impact of price data on behavior by delivery system participants, and analyzing public policy related to the use of price information in health care.

Program Information:

- [Call for Proposals](#)

How to Apply: *Please read the call for proposals before applying.

- [Apply Online](#)
- [Preview the complete application before submitting an application.](#)

- Total Awards:**
- Up to \$1.45 million will be available under this CFP.
 - Project funding will range from \$100,000 to \$250,000 to accommodate studies of 12 to 24 months.
 - A maximum of ten studies will be funded.
 - Applicants will initially submit brief proposals of 4 pages or less. Successful applicants will be invited to submit a full proposal.
- Eligibility & Selection Criteria:** The Foundation may give preference to applicants that are either public entities or nonprofit organizations that are tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and are not private foundations or Type III supporting organizations. Applicant organizations must be based in the United States or its territories. We may request additional documentation.
- Full eligibility and selection criteria can be found in the Call for Proposals.
- Key Dates:**
- **April 17, 2013 (3 p.m. ET)**—Deadline for receipt of online brief proposals.
 - **May 14–15, 2013**—Applicants notified if they have been invited to submit a full proposal.
 - **June 14, 2013 (3 p.m. ET)**—Deadline for receipt of online full proposals.
 - **September 15, 2013**—Notification of awards.
 - **December 1, 2013**—Grants start.
- Contact:** Please direct inquiries to:
pricedata@rwjf.org

Robert Wood Johnson - Applying Behavioral Economics to Perplexing Health and Health Care Challenges 2013 Call for Proposals

- Deadline:** April 17, 2013, 3:00 p.m. EDT
- Program Area:** [Pioneer](#)
- Purpose:** Through this solicitation, we seek innovative proposals that apply the principles and frameworks of behavioral economics to persistent and perplexing health and health care problems. We hope to discover new interventions and insight that have potential to dramatically improve the way health care is delivered and health is promoted and preserved. We are particularly interested in supporting experiments that test innovative solutions to the challenge of reducing the use of low-value services in health care. This problem is particularly important given the rising costs and unaffordability of health care in the United States, but has been difficult to impact in part due to perverse incentives in a fee-for-service environment.
- Program Information:**
- [Call for Proposals](#)
- How to Apply:** *Please read the call for proposals before applying.
- [Apply Online](#)
 - [Preview the complete application before submitting an application.](#)
- Total Awards:** We expect to make approximately five awards of up to \$200,000 each under this call for proposals. Projects will last for up to two years each.
- Eligibility & Selection Criteria:** We encourage proposals from a range of disciplines, including, but not limited to, behavioral economics, decision theory, economics, public health, sociology, psychology, marketing, nursing and medicine. Preference will be given to applicants who are tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and are not private foundations as defined under Section 509(a).
- Full eligibility and selection criteria can be found in the Call for Proposals.
- Key Dates:**
- March 11, 2013 (9:00–10:30 a.m.)—Informational Webinar (optional). [Registration](#) is required.

- April 17, 2013 (3:00 p.m. ET)—Deadline for receipt of 1,500-character brief proposal (description of the idea or experiment) and 1,000-character partnership plan.
- May 29, 2013—Applicants notified as to whether they have been invited to submit a full proposal.
- July 17, 2013 (3:00 p.m. ET)—Deadline for receipt of full proposals.
- Mid-September 2013—Notification of awards.
- November 15, 2013—Start of grants.

Contact: For more information on the program and proposal submission requirements, please contact: behealth@upenn.edu

Burroughs Wellcome Fund Career Award for Medical Scientists

Each year the University Committee on Biological Sciences (UCBS) reviews applications for a number of opportunities related to the biological sciences for which the sponsors will only accept a limited number of applications from across the university. UCBS has just announced the internal application process for the Burroughs Wellcome Fund Career Award for Medical Scientists. Please see details below.

Internal UCBS Deadline: April 4, 2013

Foundation Deadline: Anticipated deadline of October 1, 2013

Number of Harvard nominations: Five. If a woman or underrepresented minority is nominated within the initial five candidates, a sixth candidate may be nominated provided that candidate is a woman or underrepresented minority

Description: The Burroughs Wellcome Career Award for Medical Scientists addresses the ongoing problem of increasing the number of physician scientists and keeping them in research. The Burroughs Wellcome Fund believes that this bridging award, supporting the last year(s) of a mentored position in addition to supporting the beginning years of an independent position, will facilitate the transition to a career in research.

Proposals may be in the areas of basic biomedical, disease oriented, translational, or molecular, genetic, or pharmacological epidemiology research. Proposals in epidemiology should contact the foundation to determine eligibility. Proposals in health services research or involving large-scale clinical trials are ineligible.

Amount of support: \$700,000 over five years

Eligibility Requirements:

Applicants must:

1. Have an MD, DDS, DVM, PharmD, or equivalent clinical degree.
2. Be a clinical fellow, resident, instructor (non-tenure track), or a postdoctoral researcher and have at least 2 years of research experience by October 1, 2013. Instructors are eligible only if they were appointed on or after July 1, 2011.
3. Not be more than 120 months past their most recent doctorate on October 1, 2013.
4. Devote a minimum of one year and a maximum of two years to the postdoctoral portion of the award.
5. Be committed to a full-time career in research as an independent investigator.
6. Devote at least 75% of their time during the award period to research-related activities.
7. Be citizens or permanent residents of the U.S. or Canada at the time of application.

Application Instructions: See standard UCBS [application form and instructions](#).

URL: www.bwfund.org/pages/188/Career-Awards-for-Medical-Scientists/

Additional notes: Harvard University is the nominating institution for these awards. Therefore, faculty from all Harvard schools are invited to submit applications to the UCBS. Final review/selection of applications will be conducted by the UCBS.

Burroughs Wellcome Fund Investigators in the Pathogenesis of Infectious Disease Award

Each year the University Committee on Biological Sciences (UCBS) reviews applications for a number of opportunities related to the biological sciences for which the sponsors will only accept a limited number of applications from across the university. UCBS has just announced the internal application process for the Burroughs Wellcome Fund Investigators in the Pathogenesis of Infectious Disease Award. Please see details below.

Internal UCBS Deadline: April 4, 2013

Foundation Deadline: Anticipated deadline of November 1, 2013

Number of Harvard nominations: 3

Description: The Burroughs Wellcome Investigators in the Pathogenesis of Infectious Disease Award provides opportunities for assistant professors to bring multidisciplinary approaches to the study of human infectious diseases. The goal of the program is to provide opportunities for accomplished investigators still early in their careers to study the pathogenesis of infectious disease at its most fundamental level—the points where human and microbial systems connect. The program supports research that sheds light on the fundamentals that affect the outcomes of this encounter: how colonization, infection, commensalism and other relationships play out at levels ranging from molecular interactions to systemic ones.

Amount of support: \$500,000 over five years

Eligibility Requirements:

1. Candidates will generally have an MD, DVM, or PhD degree.
2. Candidates must have an established record of independent research and hold the rank of assistant professor or equivalent as of November 1, 2013. At Harvard, instructors with a track record of independent research are eligible. Researchers recently appointed to a faculty position may not have a demonstrated track record sufficient to compete successfully for this award.
3. Candidates must be citizens or permanent residents of the U.S. or Canada at the time of application.

Application Instructions: See standard UCBS [application form and instructions](#).

URL: <http://www.bwfund.org/page.php?mode=privateview&pageID=105>

Additional notes: Harvard University is the nominating institution for these awards. Therefore, faculty from all Harvard schools are invited to submit applications to the UCBS. Final review/selection of applications will be conducted by the UCBS.

Pew Scholars Program in the Biomedical Sciences

Each year the University Committee on Biological Sciences (UCBS) reviews applications for a number of opportunities related to the biological sciences for which the sponsors will only accept a limited number of applications from across the university. UCBS has just announced the internal application process for the Pew Scholars Program in the Biomedical Sciences. Please see details below.

Internal UCBS Deadline: April 4, 2013

Foundation Deadline: Anticipated deadline of November 1, 2013

Number of Harvard nominations: 1

Description: The Pew Scholars Program is designed to support young investigators of outstanding promise in basic and clinical sciences relevant to the advancement of human health. The award is intended to provide assured support, during their earlier years, for junior members of the faculty as they establish their laboratories. Strong proposals will demonstrate particularly innovative approaches.

Amount of support: \$60,000 per year over a four-year period

Eligibility Requirements:

Applicants must:

1. be full-time at rank of Assistant Professor or "independent researcher" as of November 1, 2013. Individuals whose careers are sufficiently advanced to warrant appointment at the associate level will not be considered eligible.
2. not have held appointment of Assistant Professor or equivalent for more than three years as of July 1, 2014 (approx. start date of award). Time spent in clinical training status does not count toward faculty appointment accumulated time.
3. not simultaneously be supported by similar private foundation awards in excess of \$50k for the first 2 years of Pew funding. Candidates with awards primarily providing salary, such as Research Career Development Awards, ACS Faculty Research Awards, or institutional endowments, are not precluded from applying for/receiving a Pew.

Application Instructions: See standard UCBS [application form and instructions](#).

URL: www.pewtrusts.org/our_work_category.aspx?id=194

Additional notes: Harvard University is the nominating institution for these awards. Therefore, faculty from all Harvard schools are invited to submit applications to the UCBS. Final review/selection of applications will be conducted by the UCBS.

Healthy Eating Research: Building Evidence to Prevent Childhood Obesity-Round 8

Email

[Healthy Eating Research: Building Evidence to Prevent Childhood Obesity-RWJF New Connections 2013 Call for Proposals](#)

Deadline: July 10, 2013, 3:00 p.m. EDT

Program Area: [Childhood Obesity](#)

Purpose: *Healthy Eating Research: Building Evidence to Prevent Childhood Obesity* is a national program of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF). The program supports research on environmental and policy strategies with strong potential to promote healthy eating among children to prevent childhood obesity, especially among lower-income and racial and ethnic populations at highest risk for obesity. Findings are expected to advance RWJF's efforts to reverse the childhood obesity epidemic by 2015.

This call for proposals (CFP) is for two types of awards aimed at providing advocates, decision-makers, and policy-makers with evidence to reverse the childhood obesity epidemic. The award types are: Round 8 grants and RWJF *New Connections* grants awarded through the *Healthy Eating Research* program. The two funding opportunities are described in more detail in the CFP.

Round 8 grants represent the majority of RWJF's investment in research through the *Healthy Eating Research* program.

- Program Information:
- [Call for Proposals](#)
 - [Overview](#)
- How to Apply: *Please read the call for proposals before applying.
- [Apply Online](#)
 - [Preview the complete application before submitting an application.](#)
- Total Awards:
- Approximately \$1.4 million will be awarded through Round 8.
- Eligibility & Selection Criteria:
- Preference will be given to applicants that are either public entities or nonprofit organizations that are tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and are not private foundations or Type III supporting organizations.
 - Applicant organizations must be based in the United States or its territories. The focus of this program is the United States; studies in other countries will be considered only to the extent that they may directly inform U.S. policy.
- Key Dates:
- February 13, 2013, April 24, 2013, July 10, 2013 (all by 3 p.m. ET)—Deadlines for receipt of concept papers.
 - April 17, 2013, June 26, 2013, and September 11, 2013 (all by 3 p.m. ET)—Deadlines for receipt of invited full proposals, which correspond to the deadline under which the concept paper was submitted.
 - September 1, 2013, November 1, 2013, and February 1, 2014—Awards begin.
- Contact: Kathy Kosiak, research coordinator
healthyeating@umn.edu
 Office: (800) 578-8636
<http://www.healthyeatingresearch.org>

Healthy Eating Research: Building Evidence to Prevent Childhood Obesity - RWJF New Connections

- Deadline: March 27, 2013, 3:00 p.m. EDT
- Program Area: [Childhood Obesity](#)
- Purpose: *Healthy Eating Research: Building Evidence to Prevent Childhood Obesity* is a national program of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF). The program supports research on environmental and policy strategies with strong potential to promote healthy eating among children to prevent childhood obesity, especially among lower-income and racial and ethnic populations at highest risk for obesity. Findings are expected to advance RWJF's efforts to reverse the childhood obesity epidemic by 2015.

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RWJF *New Connections* grants awarded through the *Healthy Eating Research* program support policy-relevant research of early-career investigators from historically disadvantaged and underrepresented communities.

- Program Information:
- [Call for Proposals](#)
 - [Overview](#)
- How to Apply: *Please read the call for proposals before applying.
- [Apply Online](#)
 - [Preview the complete application before submitting an application.](#)
- Total Awards:
- Up to two RWJF *New Connections* grants will be awarded through the *Healthy Eating*

- Eligibility & Selection Criteria:
- *Research* program in this round of funding.
 - Preference will be given to applicants that are either public entities or nonprofit organizations that are tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and are not private foundations or Type III supporting organizations.
 - Applicant organizations must be based in the United States or its territories. The focus of this program is the United States; studies in other countries will be considered only to the extent that they may directly inform U.S. policy.
- Full eligibility and selection criteria can be found in the CFP.
- Key Dates:
- March 27, 2013 (3 p.m. ET)—Deadline for receipt of concept papers.
 - June 26, 2013 (3 p.m. ET)—Deadline for receipt of invited full proposals.
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- Contact: Laura L. Klein, MPH, research coordinator
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Heritage Provider Network Health Prize

<http://www.heritagehealthprize.com/>

More than 71 million individuals in the United States are admitted to hospitals each year, according to the latest survey from the American Hospital Association. Studies have concluded that in 2006 well over \$30 billion was spent on unnecessary hospital admissions. Is there a better way? Can we identify earlier those most at risk and ensure they get the treatment they need? The Heritage Provider Network (HPN) believes that the answer is "yes".

To achieve its goal of developing a breakthrough algorithm that uses available patient data to predict and prevent unnecessary hospitalizations, HPN is sponsoring the Heritage Health Prize Competition (the "Competition"). HPN believes that incentivized competition is the best way to achieve the radical breakthroughs necessary to begin fixing America's health care system.

The winning team will create an algorithm that predicts how many days a patient will spend in a hospital in the next year. Once known, health care providers can develop new care plans and strategies to reach patients before emergencies occur, thereby reducing the number of unnecessary hospitalizations. This will result in increasing the health of patients while decreasing the cost of care. In short, a winning solution will change health care delivery as we know it – from an emphasis on caring for the individual after they get sick to a true health care system.

The Competition runs for two years and offers a US \$3 million Grand Prize, as well as six Milestone Prizes totaling \$230,000, which are awarded in varying amounts at three designated intervals during the Competition.

Started: **Monday 4 April 2011**

Ends: **Wednesday 3 April 2013**

Keystone Symposia Early Career Investigator Travel Awards (ECITA)

Keystone Symposia has now some additional funds for Early Career Investigator Travel Awards (ECITA). These awards are for Assistant Professors from designated URM backgrounds in the U.S., who are "bench" researchers.

The purpose is to support their research success by providing funds for them to attend one of the Keystone Symposia research meetings (Up to \$1800).

The application may be found on-line at www.keystonesymposia.org/diversity
<<http://www.keystonesymposia.org/diversity>> See ECITA.

- There will be (9) awards for the 2013/2014 Keystone Symposia meeting season.
- The applicants must choose a scheduled meeting from March 1, 2013 through February 28, 2014 and have all receipts submitted for reimbursement to Keystone Symposia within 2 weeks post the end of the meeting.
- Reimbursement is only for registration, ground and air transportation, and lodging.
- Applications are reviewed by meeting organizers and the DLSP office.
- Awards are made based on the applicant's research question and the likelihood of getting the question answered at the meeting selected.
- All awards will be made on a "first come - first served" basis.
- Award Amount: 1,950 USD. This is a reimbursement award - all receipts must be submitted at one time for reimbursement.
- The application process for such awards will open March 1, 2013.
- [Click here](#) to download the application.

Applicants MUST be engaged in laboratory research and focused on a career in "bench" research.

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation: Changes in Health Care Financing and Organization

<http://www.rwjf.org/applications/solicited/cfp.jsp?ID=19274>

Changes in Health Care Financing and Organization (HCFO) supports research, policy analysis and evaluation projects that provide policy leaders timely information on health care policy, financing and organization issues. Supported projects include: 1) examining significant issues and interventions related to health care financing and organization and their effects on health care costs, quality and access; and 2) exploring or testing major new ways to finance and organize health care that have the potential to improve access to more affordable and higher quality health services. **Grants are awarded on a rolling basis; proposals may be submitted at any time.**

Other Announcements

Office of Research Strategy and Development

Upcoming Seminar - Developing Effective Budgets and Budget Justifications for the Current NIH Funding Climate

Thursday, April 18th, 2013
9:00 – 12:00pm
Kresge 110

The session is targeted to faculty who are developing NIH grant proposals for NIH deadlines in the summer/fall of 2013 or later and will be led by Dr. Karen Emmons, Associate Dean for Research and Professor of Social and Behavioral Sciences.

If you are interested in attending, please RSVP to orsd@hsph.harvard.edu.

We hope that you will be able to join us!
The Office of Research Strategy and Development

HSPH Access to FAS Research Computing

Over the last year, HSPH has been cultivating a collaboration with the research computing (RC) facility at the Faculty of Arts and Science (FASRC) (<http://rc.fas.harvard.edu/>) with the aim of enabling HSPH researchers to access the FAS High Performance Computing Cluster (Odyssey). We are excited to announce that FASRC is now open to all HSPH researchers in exchange for a minimal annual fee, which may be charged to grants. Effective immediately, HSPH researchers can access FASRC for a fee of \$3,000 per year per FTE. Each FTE can have only one account; **access for PhD and ScD students is free**. This fee will allow each account's owner to:

- 1) Access Harvard's largest research computing environment, Odyssey
- 2) Obtain a personalized letter of support from the FASRC team that may be used in grant applications to describe the FASRC environment, as well as the level of support and expertise that the FASRC team will be able to provide for that particular application
- 3) Request individual consultation to plan computational requirements, acquisition of hardware, data storage and dissemination, CPU, etc.
- 4) Access to local support at HSPH for research computing consulting

The School hopes to phase out the HSPH cluster over the next year and encourages all HSPH researchers to migrate to FASRC as soon as it is operationally feasible. Once you are registered with FASRC, you will no longer be charged for HSPH cluster costs. Your departmental administrators and grants managers will be able to provide guidance on incorporating the FASRC computing fee into your grants as well as standardized language that you can add to your budget justifications. For more information on the FASRC initiative, visit [\(http://rc.fas.harvard.edu/hsph-overview/\)](http://rc.fas.harvard.edu/hsph-overview/)