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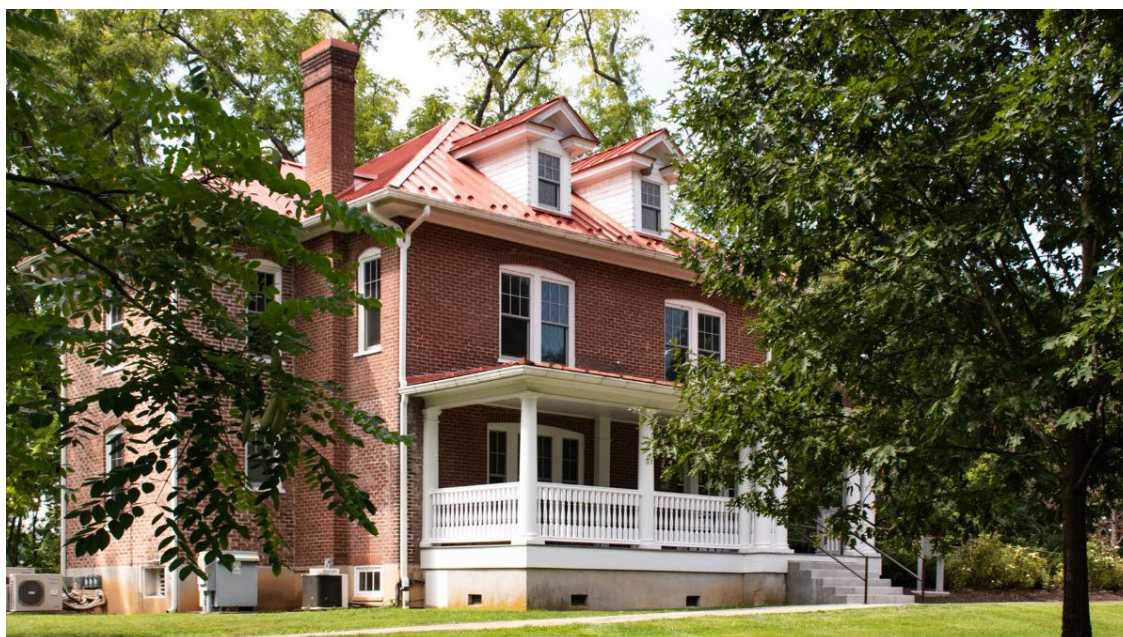


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ISCE NEWS FLASH

August 31, 2021



Opportunities to Engage through Virtual Seminars

Check out the multiple opportunities to engage virtually with presenters on timely topics or sign up for more information on NSF's virtual annual grants conference.

See below for details.

The deadline for ISCE's [COVID Reset Program](#) is Friday, September 10th.

Please send any news items to Yancey Crawford
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Funding Opportunities



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ISCE COVID-19 Reset Program: Connect, Contribute, Complete

ISCE is now offering a novel opportunity for social science faculty whose research and subsequent plans for preparing an external grant proposal were hindered due to competing personal and professional demands associated with the COVID-19 pandemic. **Faculty selected for the program will receive mentoring and funding to support their research activities** and gather regularly with ISCE staff to CONNECT with peers, CONTRIBUTE expertise, and COMPLETE an external grant proposal for submission in 2022. Priority will be given to women in tenure/tenure-track positions at the assistant or associate level and to women research faculty (research scientist and assistant/associate level) embedded within departments/centers seeking significant external funding. [Click here](#) for details and the application guidelines.

Deadline: September 10, 2021



Racial Justice and Equity Funding

The Lumina Foundation has issued an RFP for its Racial Justice and Equity (RJE) Fund that will support 7-10 organizations with grants of up to \$400,000 for up to two years. **The fund is designed to directly support organizations' efforts to eradicate systemic racism and advance equity and justice** for those who have experienced racial oppression. [Click here](#) for details.

Deadline: September 2, 2021 (initial applications)



Diversity, Racial Equity & Inclusion Research Scholars

NORC at the University of Chicago invites advanced doctoral students, postdocs, and early career scholars to submit applications for the *NORC Diversity, Racial Equity, and Inclusion (DREI) Research Scholars* program. **The goal of the program is to advance the skills and expand the pipeline of emerging scholars interested in pursuing research on diversity, disparities, equity, and inclusion**, as well as those from historically underrepresented populations. NORC will award \$7,500 stipends to two DREI Research Scholars. Scholars will use existing NORC data sets and conduct secondary data analyses to inform programs, policies, and services in promotion of the social and economic well-being of diverse populations. [Click here](#) for details.

Deadline: September 10, 2021



Faculty Scholars Program

The Greenwall Foundation is inviting applications for its Faculty Scholars Program, which supports research that goes beyond current work in bioethics to address pressing ethical issues in clinical, biomedical, and public health decision-making, policy, and practice that helps create a community focused on enhancing future bioethics research by scholars. **Three scholars will be chosen to receive 50% salary support over three years and \$5,000 a year for limited project support and travel.** [Click here](#) for details.

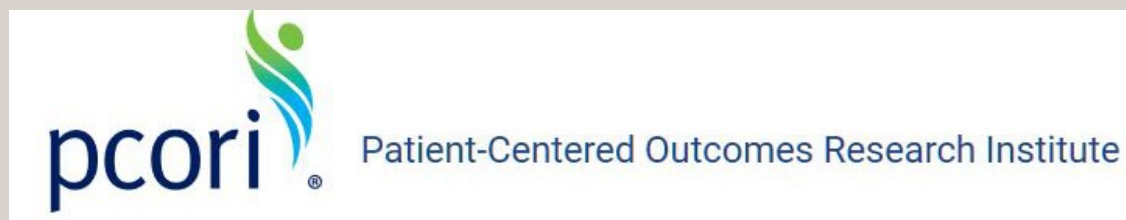
Deadline September 20, 2021 (Letters of Intent)

Caplan Foundation for Early Childhood

Call for Letters of Intent

The Caplan Foundation for Early Childhood supports development projects and promising research with the potential to significantly enhance the physical and mental health, safety, nutrition, play, social integration, and/or quality of life of children, from birth through seven years of age. **The foundation is inviting Letters of Intent in the following categories:** 1) Early Childhood Welfare; 2) Early Childhood Education & Play; and 3) Parenting Education. [Click here](#) for details.

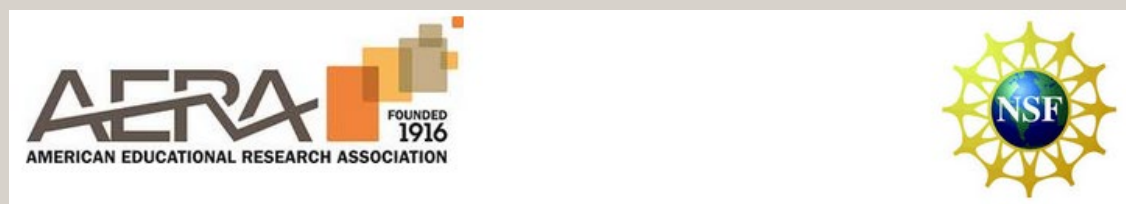
Deadline: September 30, 2021



Capacity Building Funding Available

PCORI has issued a request for proposals for its Engagement Award: Capacity Building funding opportunity. This opportunity provides support for organizations and community groups to build capacity and skills for patient-centered outcomes research and comparative clinical effectiveness research. Although there are two areas of specific interest for this announcement (intellectual/developmental disabilities and maternal morbidity/mortality), submissions are not limited to those topics. [Click here](#) for details.

Deadline: October 1, 2021 (letter of intent)

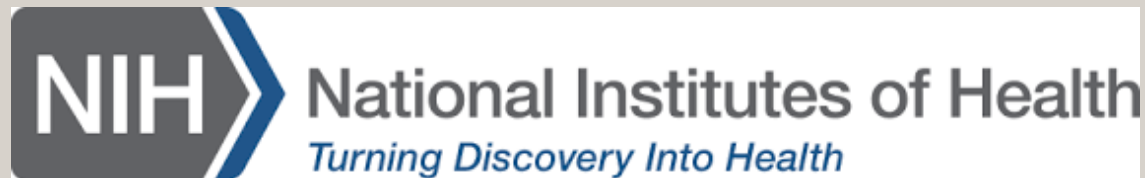


AERA-NSF Grants Program

The AERA-NSF Grants Program is currently accepting proposals for its Research Grants. AERA provides **small grants for faculty members,**

postdoctoral researchers, and other doctoral-level scholars to undertake quantitative research using data from large-scale data sets. Grants are awarded for 1-2 years for up to \$35,000. Proposals are encouraged from a variety of disciplines, including education, sociology, economics, psychology, demography, statistics, and psychometrics. [Click here](#) for details.

Deadline: October 5, 2021



Funding Focus on Social, Behavioral & Economic Impact of COVID-19

NIH Institutes, Centers, and Offices participating in the [Social, Behavioral, and Economic Impacts of COVID-19 in Vulnerable and Health Disparity Populations initiative](#) are issuing a Notice of Special Interest (NOSI) to highlight interest in research to strengthen the understanding and response to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic and help NIH prepare more effectively for future public health emergencies. While research related to the direct clinical effects of COVID-19 are supported by other funding opportunities, there are additional urgent public health needs, particularly in populations who experience health disparities and in vulnerable populations. **Focus areas and specific funding opportunities vary by NIH institutes.** [Click here](#) for details.

Deadline: October 5, 2021 (first of multiple)

Funding Opportunities from the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development:

- [Impact of Technology and Digital Media Exposure/Usage on Child and Adolescent Development \(P01 Clinical Trial Optional\), RFA-HD-22-009](#), invites applications to support integrated, multi-project research programs examining the pathways by which technology and digital media (TDM) exposure and usage impact developmental trajectories and health outcomes in early childhood and adolescence. The FOA also calls for research on the immediate and long-term impact of episodic (e.g., cyberbullying and peer victimization) and systemic (e.g., virtual learning necessitated by the COVID-19 pandemic) TDM exposures and

associated health outcomes. [Click here](#) for details.

Deadline: November 29, 2021

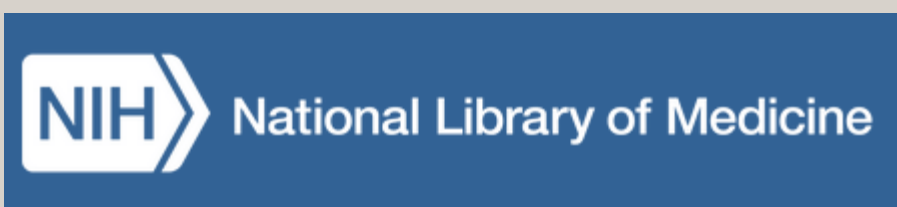
- [Learning Disabilities Innovation Hubs \(P20 Clinical Trial Optional\), RFA-HD-22-005](#), invites exploratory grant applications addressing the etiology, manifestation, prevention and remediation of reading-, writing-, and/or mathematics-specific learning disorders. This opportunity is intended to continue NICHD's emphasis on understudied and innovative research topics addressing the needs of individuals with learning disorders that impact mathematics, reading and writing, with a focus on understudied populations. [Click here](#) for details. **Deadline: November 30, 2021**



Call for Health Policy Research to Improve Cancer Prevention Outcomes

The American Cancer Society has issued a request for research that explores the *Role of Health Policy and Health Insurance in Improving Access to and Performance of Cancer Prevention, Early Detection, and Treatment Services*. Proposals will be accepted for **research projects focused on the changes in national, state, and/or local policy and the response to these changes by healthcare systems, insurers, payers, communities, practices, and patients.** [Click here](#) for details.

Deadline: October 15, 2021



Information Resource Grants to Reduce Health Disparities

The National Library of Medicine's [Information Resource Grants to Reduce Health Disparities \(G08 Clinical Trial Not Allowed\) Program](#) provides funding for projects that use computers, information technology, and health sciences libraries to bring health-related information to consumers and their healthcare providers. The program focus is on innovation and outreach in which information access can reduce health disparities and support underserved communities that bear a disproportionate burden of disease. [Click here](#) for details.

Deadline: October 22, 2021

Previously Posted Opportunities

- **National Science Foundation** - [Secure and Trustworthy Cyberspace Frontiers](#)
Deadline: September 7, 2021
- **National Center for Special Education Research/Institute of Education Sciences** - [FY22 Opportunities](#)
Deadline: September 9, 2021
- **Knight Foundation** - [Proposals to Combat Misinformation](#)
Deadline: September 15, 2021
- **Foundation for Opioid Response Efforts (FORE)** - [Evidence-Based Projects to Prevent Opioid Use](#)
Deadline: September 20, 2021 (Concept Notes)
- **Advancing Research Impact in Society (ARIS)** - [2022 Fellows Program](#)
Deadline: September 30, 2021

Conferences, Seminars and Events

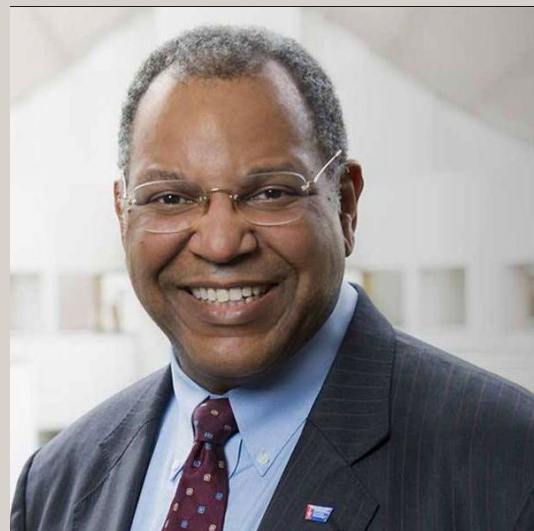


Center for Gerontology: Virtual Fall Forum

Join the **Center for Gerontology** for their first virtual forum of the fall semester: "*Coffee with Kory: The Research Integrity and Consultation Program: An Emerging Resource for Navigating Ethical Uncertainty*," to be held on **September 8th from 8:00-8:30 a.m.** During this informal session, Kory Trot will answer questions about the Research Integrity and Consultation Program. [Click here](#) to register.

Maury Strauss Lecture: Eliminating Disparities in Cancer Survival

Otis Brawley, Bloomberg Distinguished Professor of Oncology at Johns Hopkins University, will discuss disparities in how cancer is prevented, diagnosed, and treated. **The talk, at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 9, is the first in the 2021-22 season of the Maury Strauss Distinguished Public Lecture Series.** [Click here](#) for details.



RISE Lecture Series: Reproducibility and Replicability in Science

Dr. Harvey V Fineberg, president of the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation and former president of the US Institute of Medicine, will be the featured speaker for the 2021-22 Virginia Tech Research Integrity and



Scholarly Excellence (RISE) Lecture Series. **The presentation will be Thursday, September 16th from Noon-1:00 p.m.** [Click here](#) for details and [here](#) to register.



Save the Date! Join the National Science Foundation (NSF) for the Fall 2021 NSF Virtual Grants Conference, to be held during the week of October 4-8, 2021. **Registration will be free of charge and opens on Wednesday, September 8 at 12 p.m. EST.** NSF anticipates the sessions will reach capacity very quickly, so they encourage those who are interested to register as soon as possible. [Sign up](#) to receive a "Registration is Open" email, which will provide the registration links and details for this event.

Announcements and Faculty News



NIH Biosketch & Other Support Clarifications

The National Institutes of Health (NIH) has **updated and added FAQs**, posted

clarified instructions and adjusted their "Other Support" sample document in response to questions about their new Biosketch and Other Support document changes, which will be required starting January 2022. [Click here](#) to see the updated guidance.

Virginia Tech researcher on guardianship featured in story of elderly woman

Pamela Teaster, the Director of the Center for Gerontology, and a prominent researcher in older adult guardianship, is quoted in a *Tampa Bay News* article that chronicles the plight of an elderly Florida woman placed under care of a court-appointed guardian. [Read more...](#)



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