Weekly Update

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Urgent care clinic at Marion hospital reopens

Smyth County Community Hospital’s urgent care is open and caring for patients. Dale Clark, the hospital’s CEO, said the urgent care center reopened on Jan. 9. That day, the care providers saw six patients. The next day, they treated nine individuals. By the third day, the number of patients had grown to 27.

As word spreads that the clinic is once again offering walk-in care, Clark said, the numbers continue to climb. He described the need for the center as great.

The urgent care center was closed shortly after the COVID-19 pandemic began in 2020. Late last year, Ballad Health, which operates SCCH, began renovations on the clinic, which is on the hospital campus.

Clark had hoped the center could reopen in December, but Tuesday he acknowledged as with most construction projects these days delays occurred.

Calendar

Webinar: How to Develop a Competitive Grant Application
February 23 and March 7, 2023   2:00 pm

The Office of Financial Resources at the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) will be conducting a webinar on how to develop a competitive grant application. The webinar will address: registration processes that need to be completed; Preparing to apply; Key components of the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO); Responding effectively to the evaluation criteria; Resources and technical assistance that are available.

Let’s Talk about Rural Caregiving and Mental Health
March 1, 2023   1:00 - 2:00 pm   Virtual

Caregivers face many unique challenges that others never imagine. During this time together we will address: Ways to shift the focus solely on the caregiver for just a little while; Acknowledging the barriers; Reducing stress on the caregiver; Identifying and implementing a self-care routine specific to each caregiver.
2023 CMS Quality Conference
May 1-3, 2023  Virtual

Leaders in the health care space will explore and educate how advocates, providers, researchers, and champions in health care quality improvement can develop and spread solutions to address America's most pervasive health system challenges.

Resources

Chartis Center for Rural Health Research & Resources for the 2023 National Rural Health Association's Rural Health Policy Institute Conference

Offers research and analysis of the stability of the rural healthcare safety net. Includes Rural Health Safety Net Under Renewed Pressure as Pandemic Fades and presentation slides on this report from the 2023 National Rural Health Association Policy Institute. Provides links to national and state data tables showing the financial impact of federal policies on rural hospitals.

Staffing Crisis Casts Shadow Over Vulnerable Rural Communities: Executive Summary

Summarizes key findings from a series of surveys of rural hospital leaders conducted in 2021 and 2022 regarding staffing shortages. Discusses COVID-19 vaccination and exemptions, nursing shortages and the impact on access to care, and the effectiveness of recruiting incentives on attracting staff.

2023 Physician Fee Schedule Update

Webinar recording discusses the CMS Calendar Year (CY) 2023 Physician Fee Schedule and highlights how the policy changes around behavioral health and telehealth services may affect rural communities. Features presentations from representatives of the Health Resources and Services Administration and the CMS Center for Medicare, Hospital and Ambulatory Policy Group, Division of Ambulatory Services.

H2Outlook Report

A new report from Virginia Health Catalyst describes recommendations and implementation strategies to improve drinking water access across the Commonwealth. The first-of-its-kind report, H2Outlook: Virginia, was developed with the Water Equity Taskforce, a community of individuals dedicated to advancing drinking water equity.
Rural Data Gateway

Info and data portal supporting USDA Rural Development (RD) partnerships with rural communities, entrepreneurs, & government. Offers Rural Investment Dashboards highlighting RD programs & investments to help people in vulnerable rural communities access needed resources for housing, infrastructure, local business, & community development.

Rural Population Health in the United States: A Chartbook

Presents variations in U.S. population health in rural areas across all Census regions & states. Where the data allow, the chartbook also presents rural population health findings stratified by sex, race, & ethnicity. A range of indicators are used to describe population health in rural America and document health disparities between rural and urban areas.

Annual Report on People with Disabilities in America: 2023

Presents statistics on Americans with disabilities across key social and economic indicators derived from American Community Survey (ACS) data, including employment, educational attainment, health and healthcare, and more. Section 10 of the Compendium presents data on people with disabilities in rural areas, and compares the prevalence of disability, demographic characteristics, employment status, median earnings, and insurance coverage status across metropolitan, micropolitan, and noncore areas.

Funding Opportunities

Partnerships for Opportunity and Workforce and Economic Revitalization in Coal-Affected Appalachia (POWER) *NEW*

Funding for workforce and economic revitalization activities in communities and regions that have been affected by job losses in coal mining, coal power plant operations, and coal-related supply chain industries. Priorities include strengthening the healthcare sector, educational attainment, and broadband access.

Letter of Intent (Required): March 8, 2023
Application Deadline: April 19, 2023

Virginia Rescue Squad Assistance Fund (RSAF) Grant Program *NEW*
Matching grants for Virginia EMS agencies and organizations for equipment, vehicles, training, education, recruitment, and retention projects.

**Application Deadline: March 15, 2023**

**Harold Amos Medical Faculty Development Program** *NEW*

Offers four-year postdoctoral research awards to physicians, dentists, and nurses from historically marginalized backgrounds. Scholars should be committed to working toward eliminating health disparities especially within underserved populations.

**Application Deadline: March 15, 2023**

**Food Lion Feeds Charitable Foundation** *NEW*

Grants support children at risk of hunger and support feeding agencies by helping to increase their "fresh" capacity so families can put nutritious meals on their tables. The foundation also helps provide nutrition education to eliminate the health risks of the hungry.

**Application Deadline: March 16, 2023**

**Early Childhood Development Grant Program** *NEW*

ECD funding will improve developmental outcomes among children served by health centers. Health centers will accomplish this by increasing developmental screenings and access to appropriate follow-up services for children ages 0-5, and by expanding, enhancing, and further integrating ECD expertise into care teams.

**Application Deadline: March 17, 2023**

**Children, Youth, and Families At-Risk Sustainable Community Projects** *NEW*

Grants for cooperative extension to work in collaboration with other organizations to develop and deliver educational programs that help at-risk youth build the skills they need to lead positive, productive, and contributing lives. Considerations should include children and youth facing issues related to substance use, violence, crime, mental health, teen pregnancies, sexually transmitted infections, obesity, and poverty, among others.

**Application Deadline: March 21, 2023**

**Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Part C Early Intervention Services Program: New Geographic Service Areas** *NEW*
Funding to provide, on an ongoing outpatient basis, high quality early intervention services and comprehensive primary care services for individuals with HIV infection in new geographic service areas.

**Application Deadline: April 3, 2023**

**Racial and Ethnic Approaches to Community Health (REACH) *NEW***

5-year program to improve health, prevent chronic diseases, and reduce health disparities among racial and ethnic populations with the highest risk, or burden, of chronic disease.

**Application Deadline: April 11, 2023**

**Advanced Nursing Education Nurse Practitioner Residency and Fellowship Program *NEW***

Prepares new Advanced Practice Registered Nurses to effectively provide primary care by supporting transition to practice through the establishment, expansion and/or enhancement of existing community-based Nurse Practitioner (NP) residency and fellowship training programs that are accredited or in the accreditation process.

**Application Deadline: April 11, 2023**

**The Gus Schumacher Nutrition Incentive Program Competitive Grants *NEW***

Funding to support projects that will increase the purchase of fruit and vegetables among low-income consumers who participate in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program by providing incentives at the point of purchase.

**Application Deadline: May 4, 2023**

**Rural Health Innovation Program *NEW***

Berkeley Public Health Online, with backing from the Barr-Campbell Family Foundation, will offer 25 fully paid scholarships per year to eligible online MPH students. All 25 Rural Health Scholars will study alongside a larger cohort of public health masters students across disciplines as well as a more intimate cohort that is equipped with a specialized rural health curricula.

**Application Deadline: August 13, 2023 (for January 2024 start date)**

**The Doctors Company Foundation**
The Doctors Company Foundation supports patient safety education for healthcare professionals and patient safety research with clinically useful applications. The focus is on projects and activities that develop knowledge, techniques, and tools whose application reduces or eliminates risk of adverse events that cause harm to patients while under care. Nonprofit entities and education institutions are eligible to apply.

**Letter of Intent (Required): March 14, 2023**
**Application Deadline: June 20, 2023**

**Drug-Free Communities Support Program**

Awards funding to coalitions working to reduce substance abuse among youth and to establish and strengthen collaboration among communities, organizations, and governmental entities.

**Application Deadline: March 15, 2023**

**AARP Community Challenge**

Grants for projects that work to improve livability for all residents of a community. The 2023 application cycle will focus on public spaces; housing; transportation; civic engagement; diversity, equity, and inclusion; digital connections; community health; and economic empowerment, among others. Applications from rural communities are encouraged.

**Application Deadline: March 15, 2023**

**Nizar N. Oweida, MD, FACS, Scholarship of the American College of Surgeons**

A scholarship for surgeons in small towns and rural communities to either: (1) attend the American College of Surgeons Clinical Congress; (2) travel and attend training; or (3) conduct research to improve performance as a rural surgeon.

**Application Deadline: March 15, 2023**

**Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Change Leadership Programs**

Change leadership programs are designed by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation to extend the influence and impact of leaders working to build a Culture of Health.

**Application Deadline: March 15, 2023**

**Investments Supporting Partnerships In Recovery Ecosystems (INSPIRE)**
INSPIRE is an initiative addressing the substance use disorder crisis by creating or expanding a recovery ecosystem that will lead to workforce entry or re-entry. Successful projects will support post-treatment to employment continuum, which could include investments in healthcare networks that support substance abuse recovery professionals, recovery-focused job training programs, as well as initiatives designed to coordinate recovery services and training that support the recovery ecosystem.

**Application Deadline: March 17, 2023**

**Grants for the Benefit of Homeless Individuals (GBHI)**

Grants to support the development and/or expansion of local implementation of a community infrastructure that integrates behavioral health treatment and services for substance use disorders and co-occurring mental and substance use disorders, permanent housing, and other critical services for individuals and families experiencing homelessness.

**Application Deadline: March 20, 2023**

**Linking Actions for Unmet Needs in Children’s Health Grant Program**

Grants to promote the wellness of young children from birth to 8 years by addressing the physical, social, emotional, cognitive, and behavioral aspects of their development to ensure children are thriving in safe, supportive environments, and entering school ready to learn and able to succeed. Projects should work to advance equity for all, and to identify racial, ethnic, sexual and gender minority, and rural populations at highest risk for experiencing behavioral health disparities.

**Application Deadline: March 20, 2023**

**The High Obesity Program (HOP)**

Funding to implement evidence-based strategies and leverage partner resources to address obesity and its associated factors in populations of focus related to poor diet and/or physical inactivity. **Rural** communities are considered a priority population.

**Application Deadline: March 21, 2023**

**Second Chance Act Pay for Success Initiative**

Grants to provide services and programs to improve reentry, reduce recidivism, and address the treatment and recovery needs of people with mental health, substance use, or co-occurring disorders who are currently or were formerly involved in the criminal justice system.
Application Deadline: March 21, 2023

**Integrated Substance Use Disorder Training Program (ISTP)**

Grants to plan, develop, and operate a training program for nurse practitioners, physician assistants, health service psychologists, counselors, nurses, and/or social workers that trains practitioners to provide care for individuals in need of mental health and substance use disorder prevention, treatment, and recovery services.

Application Deadline: March 21, 2023

**WIC Community Innovation and Outreach Grants**

Grants to develop, implement, and evaluate innovative outreach strategies to increase WIC awareness, participation, redemption of benefits, and reduce disparities in program delivery.

Application Deadline: March 23, 2023

**Innovations for Healthy Living - Improving Minority Health and Eliminating Health Disparities (R43/R44)**

Funding for small business concerns to develop a product, process, or service with the aim of improving minority health and/or reducing and ultimately eliminating health disparities in one or more NIH-defined population groups.

Application Deadline: March 24, 2023

**Technologies for Improving Minority Health and Eliminating Health Disparities**

Funding for small businesses to develop products, processes, and services that can be used to improve minority health and/or reduce and ultimately eliminate health disparities in one or more NIH-defined health disparity population groups. Technologies should be effective, affordable, and culturally acceptable.

Application Deadline: March 24, 2023

**Understanding and Addressing the Impact of Structural Racism and Discrimination on Minority Health and Health Disparities**

Funding to support intervention research to address the impact of structural racism and discrimination on minority health and health disparities.
**Improving Access to Overdose Treatment**

Grants to expand access to Food and Drug Administration overdose reversal medications for emergency treatment of known or suspected opioid overdose through collaboration and training on policies, procedures, and models of care for prescribing, co-prescribing, and expanding access to naloxone and other medications for rural or urban populations.

**Application Deadline: March 24, 2023**

**Health Services Research on Minority Health and Health Disparities**

For health services research that can directly contribute to the improvement of minority health and/or the reduction of health disparities, while taking into consideration the interaction between system-level healthcare, individual clinical care and social determinants of health, including the role of structural systemic factors, place and neighborhood factors. Focuses on services provided in the healthcare setting where individuals from health disparity populations seek care with a clinician for preventive services, chronic disease management, urgent symptomatic care, emergency care, and hospital care.

**Application Deadline: March 27, 2023**

**The Workers Lab: Innovation Fund**

The Workers Lab seeks innovators with early-stage ideas centered around making the ways the U.S. serves workers more modern and inclusive. Up to six fellows will be selected to participate in a 4-month program providing training, mentorship, and customized support to bring their idea to life and set them up for larger-scale investment.

**Application Deadline: March 27, 2023**

**Services Program for Residential Treatment for Pregnant and Postpartum Women**

The purpose of this program is to provide comprehensive services for pregnant and postpartum women with substance use disorders across the continuum of residential settings that support and sustain recovery. As a family-centered program, services also extend to family members and the minor children of the women, the latter whom may reside with the women in the program facilities at the woman’s request.

**Application Deadline: March 27, 2023**
**National Child Traumatic Stress Initiative – Category III: Community Treatment and Service (CTS) Centers**

The purpose of this program is to increase access to effective trauma- and grief-focused treatment and service systems for children, adolescents, and their families, who experience traumatic events. With this program, SAMHSA aims to raise the standard of care and improve access to evidence-based services for children experiencing trauma across the nation.

**Application Deadline: March 27, 2023**

**Rehabilitation Research and Training Center on Disability in Rural Communities**

A single grant for a Rehabilitation Research and Training Center (RRTC) to conduct research, knowledge translation, training, dissemination, and technical assistance activities to improve outcomes among people with disabilities who live in rural areas, including those from racial and ethnic minority groups.

**Application Deadline: March 31, 2023**

**National Association of Emergency Medical Technicians (NAEMT) Diversity Scholarships**

Scholarships for students of color who do not hold an EMS certification but who intend to become an EMT or paramedic. The overall goal of the scholarship program is to promote the development of greater diversity in the EMS workforce so that the workforce reflects the communities they serve.

**Application Deadline: March 31, 2023**

**Gamma Mu Foundation**

The mission of the Gamma Mu Foundation is to make a positive difference in the lives of the LGBT community, primarily in rural and underserved populations of the United States. The priority focus area for 2023 is HIV/STD education, prevention, and treatment for the LGBTQ community. Applications with other areas of focus, including community services and research and public education, will be considered after those with the priority focus are evaluated.

**Application Deadline: March 31, 2023**

**American Hospital Association Next Generation Leaders Fellowship and Rural Scholarships**


A fellowship program designed to empower healthcare leaders to bring about lasting change in the hospital and health systems in which they serve. **Rural** applicants are encouraged.

**Application Deadline: March 31, 2023**

**Environmental Justice Collaborative Problem-Solving Cooperative Agreement Program**

Funding to support community-based organizations to use the EPA Environmental Justice Collaborative Problem-Solving Model to develop and implement community-driven solutions that address environmental and/or public health issues for underserved communities. Special consideration will be given to projects located in **rural** areas.

**Application Deadline: April 10, 2023**

**Virginia Behavioral Health Student Loan Repayment Program**

Annual $1.6 million fund established by the Virginia General Assembly in 2021 to help recruit and retain behavioral health professionals to practice in underserved areas of the Commonwealth or to provide counseling and treatment to underserved populations. The program will repay a portion of eligible professionals’ student loan debt. In return, recipients commit to practicing in Virginia for a minimum of two years at an eligible site.

**Application Deadline: April 15, 2023**

**AgriSafe Nurse Scholar Program**

A distance learning opportunity available to **rural nurses** designed to increase knowledge base in prevention, identification, and assessment of diseases related to agricultural work exposures. A 50% scholarship is available for nurses working in nonprofit organizations, Rural Health Clinics, Federally Qualified Health Centers, government agencies, and educational institutions. A full scholarship is available for nurses from Illinois and for nurses from Missouri that work in Rural Health Clinics, government agencies, academia, and nonprofit organizations.

**Application Deadline: May 15, 2023**

**David W. and Sandra L.R. Boyes Physician Education Scholarship**

Scholarship for health professionals and specialists working on continuing education in the field of gerontology. Special consideration is given to applicants who currently practice or plan to practice in **rural Virginia** or southern Appalachian areas.
**Application Deadline: June 1, 2023**

**AHRQ Small Research Grant Program (R03)**

Supports different types of health services research projects, including pilot and feasibility studies; secondary analysis of existing data; small, self-contained research projects; development of research methodology; and development of new research technology.

**Application Deadline: July 8, 2023**

**AHRQ Health Services Research Projects (R01)**

Support for specified health services research projects related to AHRQ's mission to produce evidence to make healthcare safer, higher quality, more accessible, equitable, and affordable. AHRQ's priorities include an interest in **rural** and frontier healthcare delivery.

**Application Deadline: July 8, 2023**

**Long-Term Effects of Disasters on Health Care Systems Serving Health Disparity Populations (R01- Clinical Trial Optional)**

Grants for research focused on understanding the long-term effects of natural and/or human-made disasters on healthcare systems serving health disparity populations. Health disparity populations include, but are not limited to, American Indians, Alaska Natives, and **underserved rural populations**.

**Application Deadline: September 7, 2023**

**Notice of Special Interest: Advancing the Science of Geriatric Palliative Care**

Notice of Special Interest to encourage research focused on palliative care in geriatric populations. Studies may take place in a variety of settings including hospitals, post-acute care settings, outpatient clinics, doctors’ offices, homes and other residential settings, long-term care facilities, hospices, and other healthcare or community settings. Research in disparity populations and in **rural**/remote settings is encouraged.

**Application Deadline: September 8, 2023**

**Tobacco Control Policies to Promote Health Equity (R01 and R21 Clinical Trial Optional)**

Funding for observational or intervention research focused on **reducing disparities in tobacco use** and secondhand smoke exposure. Populations of focus include older
individuals, black Americans, Hispanics, people with low socioeconomic status, and people living outside metropolitan areas.

**Application Deadline: September 8, 2023**

**Notice of Special Interest (NOSI) Hearing Healthcare for Adults: Improving Access and Affordability**

Notice of Special Interest for research to improve access and affordability of hearing healthcare (HHC) in adults, which includes research addressing rural health issues potentially affecting HHC utilization and the unique HHC needs of rural populations.

**Application Deadline: January 7, 2024**

**Notice of Special Interest (NOSI): Telehealth in Cancer Care**

Notice of Special Interest for research on the use of telehealth in cancer-related care, with a focus on populations that experience inequities in access to care and have worse cancer outcomes compared to the general population.

**Application Deadline: March 8, 2024**

**Technology Development to Reduce Health Disparities (R01 Clinical Trial Optional)**

Funding to develop and translate medical technologies aimed at reducing disparities in healthcare access and health outcomes. Medical technologies should be effective, affordable, culturally acceptable, and deliverable to those who need them. Priority health disparity populations include racial and ethnic minorities, socioeconomically disadvantaged individuals, sexual and gender minorities, and medically underserved populations in rural and urban areas.

**Application Deadline: May 2, 2024**

**Notice of Special Interest (NOSI): Research on the Impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic and Risks for Abuse and Injury Among Vulnerable Children and Youth**

Notice of Special Interest to fund research on the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic and risks for abuse and injury among vulnerable children and youth. Emphasis is placed on disparity populations related to abuse and neglect prior to the pandemic, as well as populations that have been disproportionately affected by the coronavirus. Disparity populations include American Indians, Alaska Natives, LGBT youth, and children seen at rural emergency departments.
Notice of Special Interest (NOSI): Dissemination and Implementation Research to Advance Mental, Emotional, and Behavioral Health Preventive Interventions in School Settings

Notice of Special Interest for dissemination and implementation research to support innovative approaches to overcoming barriers to the adoption, adaptation, integration, scale-up, and sustainability of evidence-based interventions to support children’s mental, emotional, and behavioral health in school settings. Health disparity populations, including individuals living in rural areas, are a priority.

Application Deadline: June 5, 2024

Notice of Special Interest (NOSI): Telehealth Strategies for Individuals with HIV and Substance Use Disorders

Notice of Special Interest for research to explore and develop telehealth methods and strategies for diagnosis, prevention, treatment, and population analysis in individuals living with HIV and substance use disorder.

Application Deadline: September 7, 2024

Comprehensive Care for Adults with Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus from Populations with Health Disparities (R01 Clinical Trial Optional)

Funding for research focused on developing and testing strategies that adapt/implement recommended guidelines of comprehensive clinical care for individuals with Type 2 diabetes from health disparity populations.

Application Deadline: September 7, 2024

Effectiveness of Implementing Sustainable Evidence-Based Mental Health Practices in Low-Resource Settings to Achieve Mental Health Equity for Traditionally Underserved Populations (R01)

Grants for research to develop and test the effectiveness of strategies for implementation and sustainable delivery of evidence-based mental health treatments and services to improve mental health outcomes for underserved populations in under-resourced settings. Under-resourced settings and populations include members of minority groups, other individuals experiencing disparities in mental health outcomes, and people living in a geographic area with a shortage of healthcare services.

Application Deadline: September 7, 2024
Notice of Special Interest (NOSI): Telehealth Strategies for Individuals with HIV and Substance Use Disorders

Notice of Special Interest for research to explore and develop telehealth methods and strategies for diagnosis, prevention, treatment, and population analysis in individuals living with HIV and substance use disorder.

Application Deadline: September 7, 2024

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Application Deadline: September 7, 2024

Innovative Mental Health Services Research Not Involving Clinical Trials

Funding for innovative research that will inform and support the delivery of high-quality, continuously improving mental health services to benefit individuals with, or at risk for developing, a mental illness. Research on innovative service delivery models that seek to reduce disparities in service access, quality, and outcomes for racial and ethnic minority groups, individuals limited by language or cultural barriers, sexual and gender minorities, individuals living in rural areas, socioeconomically disadvantaged persons, and other underserved groups is encouraged.

Application Deadline: September 7, 2024

Health Care Models for Persons with Multiple Chronic Conditions from Populations that Experience Health Disparities: Advancing Health Care towards Health Equity (R01 - Clinical Trials Optional)

Funding for research to study the effective adaptation, integration, and implementation of recommended guidelines of care of persons with multiple chronic conditions from populations that experience health disparities.

Application Deadline: September 7, 2024
Innovative Mental Health Services Research Not Involving Clinical Trials (R01)

Funding for innovative research that will inform and support the delivery of high-quality, continuously improving mental health services to benefit individuals with, or at risk for developing, a mental illness. Research on innovative service delivery models that seek to reduce disparities in service access, quality, and outcomes for racial and ethnic minority groups, individuals limited by language or cultural barriers, sexual and gender minorities, individuals living in rural areas, socioeconomically disadvantaged persons, and other underserved groups is encouraged.

**Application Deadline: September 7, 2024**

The Role of Work in Health Disparities in the U.S. (R01 Clinical Trials Optional)

Grants for innovative population-based research in how work or occupation influences health outcomes and health status among health disparity populations and how work functions as a social determinant of health.

**Application Deadline: September 8, 2024**

Notice of Special Interest (NOSI): Social, Behavioral, and Economic Impact of COVID-19 in Underserved and Vulnerable Populations

Notice of Special Interest for research in understanding the response to the COVID-19 pandemic to help prepare more effectively for future public health emergencies. Populations that experience health disparities are a particular focus.

**Application Deadline: September 8, 2024**

The Role of Work in Health Disparities in the U.S. (R01 Clinical Trials Optional)

Grants for innovative population-based research in how work or occupation influences health outcomes and health status among health care disparity populations and how work functions as a social determinant of health.

**Application Deadline: September 8, 2024**

Notice of Special Interest (NOSI): Disparities Affecting Healthcare Utilization and Health Outcomes Among Childhood Cancer Survivors
Notice of Special Interest for research to understand and address the full spectrum of factors that contribute to disparities in survivorship care, healthcare utilization, and health outcomes among childhood cancer survivors. Proposed projects must include populations commonly experiencing disparities based on race or ethnicity, sex, sexual or gender minority status, insurance status, rural residence, socioeconomic disadvantage, or other demonstrated differences.

**Application Deadline: October 9, 2024**

**Leveraging Health Information Technology (Health IT) to Address Minority Health and Health Disparities (R01 Clinical Trial Optional)**

Grants for research that examines how health information technology adoption impacts minority health and health disparity populations in access to care, quality of care, patient engagement, and health outcomes.

**Application Deadline: May 7, 2025**

**Notice of Special Interest (NOSI): Research Using Implementation Science to Support the Delivery of Evidence-Based Practices in Community-Based Mental or General Medical Healthcare Settings**

Notice of Special Interest for mental health services and implementation research to support the adoption and sustainability of evidence-based practices in community-based settings that deliver care to people with mental illness. Health disparity populations, including individuals living in rural areas, are a priority.

**Application Deadline: May 8, 2025**

**Notice of Special Interest (NOSI): Implementation Science to Advance Maternal Health and Maternal Health Equity for the IMPROVE Initiative**

Notice of Special Interest for research to address health disparities associated with pregnancy-related and pregnancy-associated morbidity and mortality. Populations of focus include American Indians, Alaska Natives, Native Hawaiians, other Pacific Islanders, and underserved rural populations, among others.

**Application Deadline: May 8, 2025**

**Stand Down Grants**

Provides funding for events that offer homeless veteran populations a variety of social services designed to help them to reintegrate into their communities, such as housing, healthcare, and employment opportunities.
Application Deadline: September 30, 2025

**AHRQ Small Research Projects to Advance the Science of Primary Care (R03)**

Funding to support small research projects that advance the role and capacity of primary care to increase the value and quality of care and improve patient outcomes and population health. **Rural** populations are considered a priority.

Application Deadline: March 19, 2027

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