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The AIHA Twinning Center Grants & Funding Bulletin is intended to assist institutional and individual grant seekers who are involved in the delivery and development of healthcare services in the countries covered by the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR). PEPFAR has identified fifteen focus countries, primarily in Africa and the Caribbean, but also including Vietnam. While the Bulletin emphasizes funding opportunities for which PEPFAR countries are eligible, most of these opportunities are also relevant to other countries around the world. The Bulletin, which appears monthly, provides information on grant opportunities for researchers, students, public leaders, and medical and social organizations.

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Your input (including new sources of grant opportunities) will be greatly appreciated.

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The Elsevier Foundation Grants

In Short:

Grants for excellence and innovation in research and information services within global scientific, technical and medical communities.

Internet Address:

<http://www.elsevierfoundation.org/>

Health Topic Areas:

Children's health and wellness, science and healthcare education, access to scientific and medical knowledge, scientific medical research and application in society

Eligible Applicants:

National and regional organizations around the world; the Elsevier Foundation does not consider grants to individuals, nor for basic research, sectarian religious activities or organizations that lack tax exemption.

Description:

The Elsevier Foundation supports a wide range of charitable organizations with tax-exempt status in their country of origin.

Grants are generally expected to range between US\$2,500 and US\$25,000. Grants are awarded for specific projects rather than operating support. Contributions of products, services and equipment may be used for specific projects or general operations. The Foundation encourages matching grants. Requests for additional funding of projects already supported will be considered on a limited basis.

Application Deadline:

Applications may be submitted at any time during the year.

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Framework Programs for Global Health

In Short:

Grants for institutions to create new collaborative programs to foster global health.

Internet Address:

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-06-067.html>

Health Topic Areas:

Global Health programs support.

Eligible Applicants:

Eligible organizations include non-profit, domestic or foreign, public or private institutions, such as universities, colleges, and research institutions that can link to educational institutions to meet the full requirements of the program. Foreign institutions must be from low- and middle-income countries. To be eligible, institutions must have a pre-requisite number of qualifying active NIH or other global health grants, as described below. Institutions from eligible countries may bring in partners for the purposes of this award, which together must submit a single integrated application.

Eligible Principal Investigators (PIs) include an individual with the skills, knowledge, and resources necessary to carry out the proposed program. Women and individuals from underrepresented racial and ethnic groups, as well as individuals with disabilities are always encouraged to apply for NIH programs. PIs should be associated with one of the qualifying NIH grants (for example, as a listed investigator), or be designated by their institutions to lead a trans-institutional global health program, and have demonstrated experience in international training or research programs.

Description:

Fogarty International Center invites applications for up to three years of support for the creation of new, multidisciplinary programs that will foster Global Health research and teaching within and between institutions, to be called Framework Programs for Global Health. The goals of these Programs will be to encourage greater involvement of NIH-funded researchers in Global Health, to facilitate greater collaboration and interactions among Global Health research and training programs at domestic and foreign sites, to bring new participants into the Global Health discussion, and to engage the next generation of scientists and health workers to choose careers in Global Health.

Application Deadline:

Letters of Intent Receipt Date(s): December 23, 2005

Application Receipt Dates(s): January 20, 2006

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Special Program for Research and Training in Tropical Diseases (TDR) Director's Initiative Fund Research Grant

In Short:

Grants for small-scale projects to fight tropical diseases.

Internet Address:

<http://www.who.int/tdr/grants/grants/dif.htm>

Health Topic Areas:

Preventing, diagnosing and treating selected tropical diseases: malaria, schistosomiasis, lymphatic filariasis, onchocerciasis, the trypanosomiases (both African sleeping sickness and the American form, Chagas disease), leishmaniasis, leprosy, tuberculosis and dengue.

Eligible Applicants:

The Director's Initiative Fund provides support for the following categories of relatively small-scale research projects:

- Projects for which rapid funding is essential;
- Projects which may be preparatory to larger-scale project suitable for consideration by TDR Scientific Steering Committees and Task Forces;
- Projects on new lines of research which are relevant to disease control but which do not fall within the scope of current component workplans.

Description:

Grants under the Director's Initiative Fund are limited to a maximum of US\$15,000. Approved proposals are funded through a Technical Services Agreement between the World Health Organization (WHO) and the Institution responsible for the project. Funding under the Director's Initiative Fund is awarded on a 'once only' basis and may not be renewed.

Application Deadline:

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Brain Disorders in the Developing World: Research across the Lifespan

In Short:

Grants for institutions and individuals to conduct research in HIV and non-HIV related areas of brain disorders.

Internet Address:

<http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-05-100.html>

Health Topic Areas:

Neurological/ neurodevelopmental (including sensory, motor, cognitive and behavioral) function and impairment throughout life.

Eligible Applicants:

Foreign institutions and individuals from developing and developed countries. At least two institutions, one in a developed country and one in a developing country institution should be involved in the grant application.

For the purposes of this Program Announcement (PA), “developed country” is defined as a country with a Gross National Income per capita (GNI per capita) of \$9,000 or more and a “developing country” is defined as a country that has a Gross National Income per capita (GNI per capita) below \$9,000, according to the World Bank classification system (refer to the GNI per capita ranking in the left-hand column labeled “Atlas Methodology” at <http://www.worldbank.org/data/databytopic/GNIPC.pdf> . Do NOT refer to the right-hand column headed “Purchasing Power Parity”).

Any individual with the skills, knowledge, and resources necessary to carry out the proposed research under the guidelines of this PA is invited to work with their institution to develop an application for support. Women, individuals from underrepresented racial and ethnic groups as well as individuals with disabilities are always encouraged to apply for NIH programs.

Description:

The purpose of the Brain Disorders in the Developing World: Research Across the Lifespan PA is to support the development and conduct of innovative, collaborative research and research training projects, between developed and developing country scientists, on brain disorders throughout life, relevant to low- and middle-income nations. The collaborative research programs are expected to 1) involve research on neurological/ neurodevelopmental (including sensory, motor, cognitive and behavioral) function and impairment throughout life and 2) contribute to the long-term goal of building sustainable research capacity in developing countries to initiate and conduct such research.

Application Deadline:

Letters of Intent Receipt Date(s): Applications not related to HIV/AIDS: April 16, 2006, 2007. Applications related to HIV/AIDS only: July 23, 2005, 2006, 2007.

Application Receipt Dates(s): Applications not related to HIV/AIDS: May 16, 2006, 2007. Applications related to HIV/AIDS only: August 23, 2005, 2006, 2007.

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AIDS International Training and Research Program

In Short:

Grants for institutions to collaborate in AIDS training and research.

Internet Address:

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-05-140.html>

Health Topic Areas:

HIV/AIDS Training and Research

Eligible Applicants:

Domestic (US) institutions that can demonstrate active research collaborations with institutions in the low- and middle-income countries, or any individual with the skills, knowledge, and resources necessary to carry out the proposed research.

Description:

The purpose of this announcement is to invite applications from eligible institutions for innovative, collaborative training programs that would contribute to the long-term goal of building sustainable research capacity in HIV/AIDS and HIV-related conditions at institutions with which they have ongoing research collaborations, in low- and middle-income countries. These research-training programs will strengthen scientific knowledge and skills to enhance prevention of, and treatment and care for, HIV/AIDS and HIV-related conditions in these countries.

Application Deadline:

Letter of Intent Receipt Date: November 21, 2006; November 21, 2007.

Application Receipt Date: December 21, 2006; December 21, 2007.

Contact Information:

The PHS 398 application instructions are available at <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/funding/phs398/phs398.html> in an interactive format.

Applicants must use the currently approved version of the PHS 398. For further assistance contact GrantsInfo, Telephone: (301) 435-0714, E-mail: GrantsInfo@nih.gov.

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Men's Heterosexual Behavior and HIV Infection

In Short:

Grants for individuals and organizations to conduct HIV-related research.

Internet Address:

<http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-05-033.html>

Health Topic Areas:

Social and behavioral science studies on the determinants of the sexual behavior of adult heterosexual men

Eligible Applicants:

Eligible organizations include foreign institutions/organizations
Eligible principal investigators are any individuals with the skills, knowledge, and resources necessary to carry out the proposed research.

Description:

Researchers are asked to focus on social and cultural determinants of heterosexual men's sexual behavior. Studies that have a strong emphasis on the variations in norms, expectations, and scripts driving heterosexual men's behavior in sexual relationships are particularly encouraged. The PA also invites research exploring how gender is interwoven with biology and psychological and social structural factors (including the economic, institutional, and policy contexts) in influencing heterosexual men's behavior.

Application Deadline:

January 2, May 1, and September 1 of each year

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Structural Interventions, Alcohol Use, and Risk of HIV/AIDS

In Short:

Grants for institutions to collaborate in HIV/AIDS training and research.

Internet Address:

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-05-146.html>

Health Topic Areas:

HIV/AIDS and alcohol use

Eligible Applicants:

U.S. domestic and foreign institutions. Any individual with the skills, knowledge, and resources necessary to carry out the proposed research is invited to work with their institution to develop an application for support.

Description:

This Program Announcement (PA) requests research on the effectiveness of structural interventions that reduce the risk of HIV/AIDS transmission by changing the environment of alcohol use. Although a variety of structural and environmental interventions have been employed successfully to reduce other drinking-related problems, there has been little research that extends such efforts into the realm of HIV/AIDS risk reduction. Applicants are especially encouraged to examine the ramifications for HIV/AIDS risk of “naturally occurring” or already-announced changes in alcohol-related laws, regulations, programs or policies.

Application Deadline:

January 2, 2006; May 1, 2006; September 1, 2006

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International Training Programs on INFORMATION

In Short:

Grants for training of information specialists in Belgium.

Internet Address:

<http://www.vub.ac.be/BIBLIO/itp/stimulate6/stimulate6-announcement.htm>

Health Topic Areas:

Scientific and Technological Information Management in Universities and Libraries.

Eligible Applicants:

This initiative is aimed primarily at persons with a university degree (Bachelor or Master), who work in universities, information and documentation centers, and libraries, including of course university libraries, and who have a few years of practical experience.

Description:

Participation is free of charge for 12 participants from developing countries. They are selected by the Steering Committee of the program, by VL.I.R. (Flemish Inter-university Council).

The main aim and goal of this International Training Program is to offer a stimulating learning environment to the participants. These are young scientists and professionals who have a function as information intermediary in the area of science and technology, so as to sharpen their skills in collecting, storing, retrieving, presenting and managing information. This can be of great benefit to the teaching and research activities going on in their institute and to the further development of their organization and region. This initiative's aim is to train young scientists and professionals from developing countries in a domain that is relevant for the further development of the country, and to stimulate the participants to transfer their increased knowledge and skills to their colleagues and other stakeholders in their home country.

Application Deadline:

Grant applications must be received before the end of January 2006.

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Microsoft Research Inspire Program PhD Proposal Award

In Short:

Grants for individuals to continue PhD education.

Internet Address:

<http://research.microsoft.com/ero/icd/inspire/#Award>

Health Topic Areas:

Education, healthcare and economic development.

Eligible Applicants:

Any final year student from any developing country in Africa, Eastern Europe or the Middle East who has been accepted to start a PhD at a university in a developing country. Only one nomination will be considered per university department.

Description:

This award will be offered to up to one hundred promising final-year students who will begin work towards a doctorate degree. Preference will be given to novel approaches in computing technology that have the potential to positively affect the developing world. Areas of interest include: education, healthcare and economic development.

Application Deadline:

Completed application forms will have to be submitted online, by the student or their supervisor, before 1 February 2006. The letter of recommendation should be received by the same date.

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