

Member Briefs



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THE ASSOCIATION OF MATERNAL & CHILD HEALTH PROGRAMS



MANAGEMENT MINUTE



A small body of determined spirits fired by an unquenchable faith in their mission can alter the course of history. ~ Mahatma Gandhi

Happy New Year! This year marks the year when AMCHP officially conducts its long term planning and we welcome you to continue to engage in meaningful dialogue around our future.

As our pre-planning efforts continue, many of you have already taken an opportunity to comment via email and SharePoint. Please continue to do so! We want to capture, catch, grab, snag, draw, attract, gain, win, hold, grip, captivate, engross, absorb, and occupy your interest and attention in AMCHP's future.

This issue poses a third and final key question for you to contemplate about your perception and understanding of AMCHP's mission:

The AMCHP Mission

AMCHP supports state maternal and child health programs and provides national leadership on issues affecting women and children.

For this round of feedback, we invite your thoughts, feedback, and active dialogue as we explore with you the following key question:

Key Member Engagement Question #3

Does the AMCHP mission answer these key questions?

- A. What need do we fill? What niche do we occupy? What problem are we attempting to solve?*
- B. Whom do we represent? Who are our members/ population base?*
- C. What are our geographic boundaries?*
- D. How do we service our clients/members/ population base?*

This is your chance to provide a unique contribution to AMCHP that represents your distinctive perspective. You are encouraged to respond in any number of ways:



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Visit the **NEW** Strategic Engagement SharePoint site for more opportunities to be part of the strategic planning conversation. All members received a special email invitation to join the site in December.



As a preview to the next *Member Briefs*, we'll be focusing on understanding AMCHP's past and if our previous goals and objectives were meaningful to our members – stay tuned.

Open Call for AMCHP Committee Volunteers

Are you looking to get more involved with AMCHP? Check out the exciting opportunities below and make the most out of your membership!

One benefit of being an active AMCHP member is the opportunity to participate as a volunteer leader on the AMCHP Association Committees. AMCHP committees assist the organization in carrying out its mission, goals and strategic plan. As a member of the committee, you will be playing an important role in the development of AMCHP program and policy activities. At the same time, volunteering on an AMCHP committee offers you rich professional development opportunities and potentially provides a future pathway toward greater leadership roles in this organization.

All interested members may serve up to two consecutive one-year terms. Please [click here](#) to review descriptions of the committees. In order to be appointed to a committee for 2015, please let us know of your interest by taking [our survey](#) by Jan. 16, 2015.

A Special Note About the 2015 Committee Appointment Process

A significant recognition is in order for all AMCHP members who have served on Association Committees over the past year. Volunteerism is the lifeblood of our organization and the AMCHP Board of Directors and staff are truly grateful for your past service to an AMCHP Association Committees.

Work has been completed recently related to the FY 2015 (Oct. 1, 2014-Sept. 30, 2015) committee appointment process. Coinciding with this work, there have been ongoing efforts to formalize AMCHP committee policies and processes around recruitment and appointments, as well as look at structure, purpose, volunteer training, roles and responsibilities.

Earlier this year, the Governance Committee and Board of Directors spent significant effort revising the AMCHP bylaws in order to ensure consistency across organizational policies and to bring them into compliance with nonprofit laws governing the District of Columbia. As the board begins to look at its committee policies and procedures, it also has been necessary to ensure the organization is following the new bylaws and adhering to previously established policies and practices concerning committee membership and appointments.

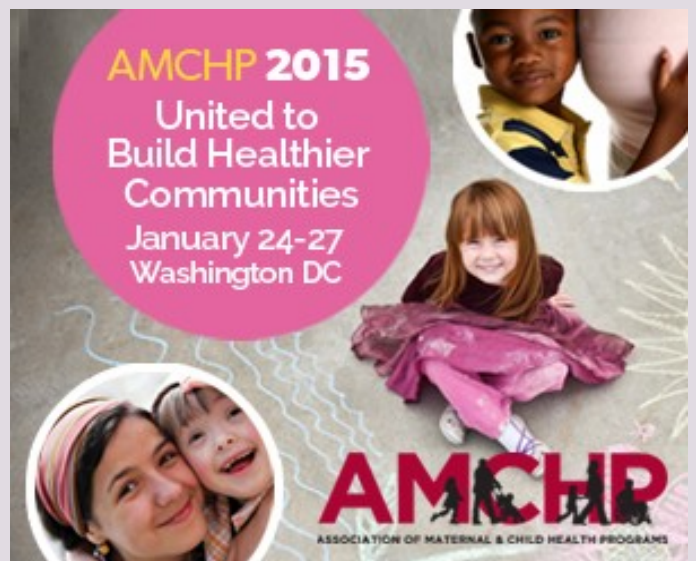
Some of our appointment processes required a reiteration and alignment with our current standing policies around committees, including such areas as:

- Ensuring committee members are current members of AMCHP and allowing the opportunity for those who are not members to join the organization to participate in the future
- Providing a proper role for federal government and/or other national organization/partner representatives to serve AMCHP committees in an ex-officio capacity (up to two per committee)
- Allowing for non-member subject matter experts utilized actively for specific peer review activities to participate in a non-voting manner in order to afford AMCHP the best expertise possible as we grow our best practice portfolio
- Adhering to AMCHP established bylaws language related to term limits by allowing volunteers to serve up to two (2) consecutive one-year terms.

Re-establishing sound practices and procedures and executing change can sometimes be challenging. AMCHP remains loyal to its former, current, and new volunteers and believes in continuing to offer opportunities for all of our members to contribute in ways that are meaningful to the organization and to the individual. Thank you all for your service to the organization.

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Please seize this opportunity to provide authentic and real feedback to guide our organization's future – we continue to embrace and welcome your inputs!

Comments, counter-points, suggestions, or thoughts are always welcomed. E-mail me at lfreeman@amchp.org.

LEGISLATIVE & POLICY CORNER



Health Reform Implementation

Outreach and Enrollment

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) has [announced](#) that since Nov. 15, 2014 nearly 6.4 consumers "selected a plan in the Federally Facilitated Marketplace or were automatically re-enrolled, with approximately 30 percent of this total comprised of people newly signing up for Marketplace coverage."

Continue being a champion for open enrollment! Open enrollment for Obamacare runs through Feb. 15. More information can be found in the [AMCHP fact sheet](#) and find more information on the Affordable Care Act and women [here](#).

King v. Burwell

The US Supreme Court will hear the case on Mar. 4; decision is expected in June. At issue is the legality of the advance premium tax credits (the "subsidies"). As written, the Affordable Care Act states that subsidies will be provided only in states that operate their own exchanges. The Obama administration argues that the law always intended to make the subsidies available to all, regardless of whether an exchange was state- or federally run. If the Supreme Court rules that subsidies are not available in the federal exchange, it could result in loss of coverage for millions of people and destabilization of the health insurance industry. The Obama administration has not indicated if contingency plans exist, should the court rule in favor of the plaintiff. The 37 states with federally facilitated marketplaces also are largely unprepared for this potential outcome.

LEGISLATIVE CORNER CONT.

Anti-ACA Legislation in 114th Congress

Repealing the medical device tax

The ACA includes a 2.3 percent excise tax on medical devices. The provision took effect in 2013 and is projected to raise \$20 billion between FY 2013 and 2019. The tax has been politically contentious since the ACA took effect. There is now strong bipartisan support in Congress to repeal it. Sens. Amy Klobuchar (D-MN) and Orrin Hatch (R-UT) are working on legislation to repeal the tax, coupled with a fiscal offset. Other Democrats – including Sens. Elizabeth Warren (D-MA) and Al Franken (D-MN) – are supporting repeal of the tax as well.

Repealing the employer mandate

Certain members of Congress are working on legislation to repeal the employer mandate. The ACA requires that firms with 100 or more full-time equivalent employees (FTE) insure at least 70 percent of their full-time workers by 2015, and 95 percent by 2016. Small businesses with 50-99 FTE will need to start insuring full-time workers by 2016.

Redefining F-T employment

In an effort support broader employer-based health coverage, the ACA includes a provision that classifies a full-time worker as one who works 30 hours per week. It is anticipated that members of Congress will develop legislation to redefine full time employment as 40 hours per week.

Medicaid Expansion

The ACA Medicaid expansion is gaining traction in states that have traditionally opposed the legislation. Republican governors in Wyoming, Utah, Idaho, North Carolina and Tennessee are attempting to persuade their legislators to accept federal funding, while Democratic governors in Montana and Pennsylvania will work with Republican-controlled legislatures in a similar vein.

Report: Non-medically Indicated Deliveries Paid by Medicaid

A recent [study published](#) in Health Affairs shows that "Nearly 9 percent of the births covered by Medicaid – or about 160,000 each year – were elective deliveries before 39 weeks of gestation, which lead to worse health outcomes for mothers and children and higher costs." AMCHP has [an issue brief](#) on state strategies to reduce

non-medically indicated deliveries before 39 weeks.

Medicaid payment bump

The ACA provision for a two-year Medicaid primary care payment increase expired on Dec. 31, 2014. The elimination of the payment bump comes at a time of dramatic increase in Medicaid enrollment nationally. The reduction in revenue is expected to further exacerbate the Medicaid provider shortage. Maryland, Alabama, Colorado, Iowa, Mississippi and Connecticut have opted to continue the payment increase using state funds.

GET INVOLVED



Raising of America: Strengthening Public Health and Community Partnerships to Reduce Disparities in Child Health & Development

The *Raising of America* is a documentary series and multimedia initiative that will launch in early 2015 that will reframe the way we look at early child health and development. The documentary, by the producers of *UNNATURAL CAUSES: Is Inequality Making Us Sick?*, explores how a strong start for all our kids leads not only to better individual life courses (learning, earning and physical and mental health) but also to a healthier, safer, better educated, more prosperous and more equitable America.

On Jan. 8 at 2 p.m. EST, AMCHP and national partners will host a webinar to raise awareness about the documentary series. We will show clips from the opening episode, which moves back and forth between the science of human development and the stories of families and communities struggling to provide the rich and responsive environments all children need to thrive. There will be a Q&A on how participants can use the series to build strategic partnerships to improve child health and development in their communities.

Participants will learn about the Raising of America documentary series and public engagement campaign, and increase understanding of community and public health partnerships to promote equity in child health and development. To register for the webinar, please [click here](#).

Special Training on the CDC Maternal Mortality Review Data System at AMCHP Annual Conference

Though maternal death reviews have been in place for over a century, and almost half the states in the United States have a maternal mortality review process, there has never been a standardized data system available to support essential review functions. Join AMCHP and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) on Friday, Jan. 23 for a two-part training on a new data system developed by CDC personnel that supports centralized analysis and leverages standard data sources for maternal death reviews. Content of the Maternal Mortality Review Data System (MMRDS) was originally developed based on decades of work by the CDC Division of Reproductive Health. The MMRDS standardizes information collected by maternal death reviews and defines a core set of information that all users collect; all in a free software package (Epi Info 7) with strong user support and which is easily adapted by reviews. The MMRDS has four primary purposes:

- Serve as a data abstraction tool
- Support case summary development
- Document committee findings and recommendations
- Support analysis (internal to Epi Info and through exported data)

In addition to supporting individual reviews, the MMRDS also can bring together data at the regional and national level; supporting the development of summaries across geographic boundaries, identification and analysis of rare and emerging causes of death, and common recommendations for action. During this two-part daylong training, CDC personnel will provide an introduction to the data system and the Epi Info 7 platform, provide a tour of the forms corresponding to review data sources and introduce the relational database structure, and present basic and advanced analysis supported by Epi Info 7.

Register [here](#) by Friday, Jan. 9. Please note that space is limited and participants that register for the training are expected to participate in the full day. Please contact Andria Cornell at acornell@amchp.org with any questions.

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Now Available: Application to Participate in the National MCH Workforce Development Center's Cohort 2 Training

The National MCH Workforce Development Center offers a range of trainings, tools and resources to strengthen MCH workforce capacity to lead through health transformation. The Center offers training in four key areas: access to care, quality improvement, systems integration and change management. State/territory Title V agencies/MCH programs and their partners will have the opportunity to gain knowledge, skills, and tools in the four key areas and apply them to a current health transformation project of interest. Cohort 2 participants should plan to be actively engaged with the Center from April through December 2015. All applications must be received by Feb. 27 at 5 p.m. EST. Applications are available via the [AMCHP website](#) and the [Center website](#).

Upcoming CSN Webinar on Injury-related Hospital Admissions Among Children

This Children's Safety Network (CSN) webinar, taking place on Jan. 14 at 3 - 4:30 p.m. EST, will provide information about the proposed new Title V MCH Services Block Grant National Performance Measure (NPM) #7 on reducing injury-related hospital admissions among children and adolescents ages zero through 19, a key measure in improving the health and safety of children and adolescents across the United States. The webinar, "Reducing Injury-Related Hospital Admissions among Children and Adolescents Ages 0-19: The Role of the New Title V MCH Block Grant National Performance Measure on Injury," will explain the burden of injury-related hospitalizations; introduce the new Title V Performance Measure framework with a focus on NPM-7 and associated National Outcome Measures; provide an overview of specific resources designed to support states that select NPM-7; share CSN resources for understanding the burden of injury-related hospitalizations in your state; and explain how to identify effective strategies for keeping infants, children and adolescents safe. To register for the webinar, [click here](#).

National Child Health Policy Conference

Register today for the AcademyHealth 2015 National Child Health Policy Conference (CHPC), being held on Feb. 11 in Washington, DC. The CHPC will feature sessions that highlight the key policy priorities for child

health in the evolving health care systems on the federal, state and local levels. Sessions will cover timely policy initiatives for child health while addressing relevant evidence to bridge gaps in child health services research. Speakers will put policy issues and priorities into context specifically for child health experts. With more than 300 attendees and a discussion-focused format, the CHPC offers unique opportunities to gain access to child health policy stakeholders and build your professional network. Register [online](#) by Jan. 30. For more information about the conference, [click here](#).

Call for Applications: Training Course in Maternal and Child Health Epidemiology

The Maternal and Child Health Bureau (MCHB), CDC and CityMatCH are offering a Training Course in MCH Epidemiology on Jun. 1-5 in Baltimore, MD, as part of their ongoing effort to enhance the analytic capacity of state and local health agencies. The training course is an intensive program, combining lectures, discussion, hands-on exercises and opportunities for individualized technical assistance. Content for the 2015 course will include: needs assessment; target setting for performance measurement; program evaluation; statistical and epidemiologic methods: from descriptive statistics to multivariable modeling; and presenting data: linking high quality analysis to reporting. A brief series of webinars prior to the training will set the stage for the onsite training.

This national program is aimed primarily at professionals in state and local health agencies who have significant responsibility for collecting, processing, analyzing and reporting MCH data. This year, the course is geared to individuals with basic to intermediate skills in statistical and epidemiologic methods, preferably in MCH or a related field. The deadline for applications is Feb. 13 at 5 p.m. PST. To learn more and apply, [click here](#).

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General Maternal & Child Health

New NACCHO Report on Local Health Department Capacity Building

The National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) undertook a multiyear demonstration project in partnership with CityMatCH and AMCHP, to respond to funding cuts and depreciations in the local health department (LHD) workforce by building LHD technical knowledge and leadership capacity to meet the needs of the women, children, youth and families in their communities. The project includes blended learning techniques including in-person capacity building trainings and virtual coaching, networking and peer-to-peer sharing. *Maternal, Child, and Adolescent Health (MCAH) Champions: The Local MCH Capacity Building Project Experience* summarizes the project framework and methodology, five LHD experiences and recommendations for future LHD capacity building efforts. To view the report, [click here](#).

NACCHO Releases National Assessment on Disability Awareness in Local Health Departments

National Assessment of the Knowledge, Awareness, and Inclusion of People with Disabilities in Local Health Departments' Public Health Practices, a new NACCHO research brief, analyzes a survey of LHDs conducted to explore and better understand the ways they include people with disabilities in their programs, products and services. A total of 159 LHDs nationwide completed the survey. Notable findings showed that LHDs do not intentionally exclude people with disabilities, and that they tend to be unaware of the prevalence rates of people with disabilities in their communities. NACCHO will use the survey data to develop a general framework for education, training and outreach materials to raise LHD awareness of the health inequities experienced by people with disabilities. To access the research brief, [click here](#).

New Affordable Care Act Fact Sheets for Families

Created by the National Center for Medical Home Implementation and the Catalyst Center, these four fact sheets highlight provisions of the Affordable Care Act which benefit children and youth with special health care needs. Each fact sheet is written in plain language, making the content easy to read and understand. Families will find information related to [concurrent care](#); [habilitative services](#); [Health Home programs](#); and [health insurance marketplace and Medicaid coverage for children and disabilities](#). To learn more, [click here](#).

New Report on Federal Government Hiring of People with Disabilities

More than 18 percent of U.S. federal government employees hired during FY 2013 were people with disabilities, according to the *Report on the Employment of Individuals with Disabilities in the Federal Executive Branch for Fiscal Year 2013* from the U.S. Office of Personnel Management. This marks a 1.9 percent increase over FY 2012, and the highest rate of federal hiring of people with disabilities since 1981. Such progress is in line with the executive order President Obama signed in 2010 to stress the importance of hiring of people with disabilities into the federal government. This new data reflects an achievement of being more than halfway toward the milestone of 100,000 employees with disabilities. To view the report, [click here](#).

New Family Planning 2020 Progress Report

At the 2012 London Summit on Family Planning, leaders from around the world committed to expanding contraceptive access to an additional 120 million women and girls in the world's 69 poorest countries by the year 2020. Family Planning 2020 (FP2020) is the movement that carries this global effort forward. In the two years since the London Summit, FP2020 has made remarkable progress. The first year was a period of formation; the second has been one of growing momentum and measurable results. *Partnership in Progress 2013-2014* highlights the advances made over the past year, including additional commitments from countries, increased disbursements from donors and progress across multiple sectors. To access the report, [click here](#).



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Women's & Infant Health

New CDC Data Brief on Maternal and Infant Health Indicators

Births in the United States, 2013 presents 2013 final birth data on several key demographic and maternal and infant health indicators. Trends in the number of births, general fertility rates, age-specific birth rates and cesarean delivery rates by race and Hispanic origin, as well as trends in preterm births by state and trends in twin births are explored, with special focus on the most current period, 2012-2013. A previous report presented 2013 preliminary data on selected topics. Data are from the annual national natality files, representing 100 percent of births to U.S. residents. The report is available [here](#).

Child & Adolescent Health

Children's Safety Network Releases Report on Traumatic Brain Injury

Innovative Practices in Traumatic Brain Injury Prevention highlights efforts to increase collaboration among state injury and violence prevention programs, state MCH programs and others working on traumatic brain injury (TBI) and to promote best practices in the prevention, assessment and management of TBI. The document describes how a year-long community of practice comprising 15 state teams used monthly webinars, a listserv, a web page and state-specific team meetings to meet TBI prevention goals. Specific accomplishments in Alabama, Connecticut, Iowa, Minnesota, Nebraska and North Carolina are included. To access the report, [click here](#).

AMCHP CAREER CENTER

The Career Center is the premiere online job board for individuals seeking employment in MCH programs. Whether you are looking for an entry-level position or are a more seasoned professional looking for new opportunities, AMCHP's Career Center has great openings for great people! Searching our database is free and open to all job-seekers. AMCHP members receive a discount on job-postings - so [sign up](#) today!

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

CDC Emergency Response and Recovery Branch Accepting Applications for Sexual and Reproductive Health Fellowship

A fellowship opportunity is currently available with the Operational Research & Program Effectiveness Team (ORPET) in the Emergency Response and Recovery Branch (ERRB) of the Center for Global Health (CGH) at the CDC. This project focuses on building CDC capacity for sexual and reproductive health (SRH) programs. The selected participant will develop and support projects that integrate SRH in complex humanitarian emergencies, including maternal, neonatal, child health and gender-based violence. Under the guidance of a mentor, the participant will learn a variety of skills related to the design and analysis of scientific studies in support of: Surveillance, Research and Evaluation; Data Collection and Analyses; and Program Support. The initial appointment is for one year, but may be renewed upon recommendation of CDC contingent on the availability of funds. The participant will receive a monthly stipend commensurate with education level and experience. Proof of health insurance is required for participation in this program. The appointment is full-time at CDC in the Atlanta, Georgia, area. Participants do not become employees of CDC or the program administrator, and there are no fringe benefits paid. To learn more, [click here](#).





AHA Grants Available to Help Prevent Childhood Obesity

The American Heart Association (AHA) and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation have announced the availability of several grant opportunities through the Voices for Healthy Kids program. The program aims to engage, organize and mobilize people to improve the health of their communities and reverse the childhood obesity epidemic. The grants are available in the following priority areas: smart school foods, healthy drinks, marketing matters, active places and active kids out of school. The grants represent strategic investments in ongoing state, local and tribal public policy issue campaigns. There is no deadline for applications. For more information, [click here](#).

Healthy Eating Research Call for Proposals to Fight Childhood Obesity

Deadline: Jan. 7

The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Healthy Eating Research Program has issued a new call for proposals. "Healthy Eating Research Special Solicitation" focuses on childhood obesity prevention, especially among the

minority groups at highest risk. Obesity prevention efforts are focused in two settings: Healthy Food Retail and Early Care and Education. Approximately \$425,000 will be awarded in total. To learn more, [click here](#).

HRSA National Coordinating Center for the Regional Genetic Service Collaboratives

Deadline: Feb. 2

This program was established to enhance, improve and expand access to quality genetic services over the lifespan, in keeping with the statutory authority Title V, Section 501(a)(2) which requires that HRSA provide for genetic disease testing, counseling and information development and dissemination programs. The purpose of this funding opportunity announcement for the NCC is to: 1) develop a framework for a national network of regional genetic centers that will serve as a shared resource for providers and patients in each region, assuring that all individuals have access to the same high quality genetic services regardless of where they live; 2) support and coordinate the work of Regional Genetic Service Collaboratives (RCs) and disseminate national collaborative activities that address the infrastructure needs of public health genetic services in each state; and 3) provide a national genetics education and consumer network. To learn more, [click here](#).

NIH Understanding Infancy and Early Childhood Factors That Influence Obesity

Deadline: Feb. 5

Institutions/organizations should propose to characterize or identify factors in early childhood that may increase or mitigate risk for weight gain and fill risk for development of obesity in children research gaps. Studies should propose research in young children and may also assess factors relevant to families of them. For more information, [click here](#).

HRSA Nurse Anesthetist Traineeship Program (NAT)

Deadline: Feb. 26

The purpose of the NAT Program is to provide traineeship support for licensed registered nurses enrolled as full-time students in an anesthesia program. Traineeships will pay full or partial costs of the tuition, fees, books/e-Books and the reasonable living expenses of the individual trainee during the period for which the traineeship is provided. NAT funds are



AMCHP is seeking submissions of emerging, promising and best practices in maternal and child health from all states and territories on child health. Do you have a program that fits?

You'll have a chance to:

- Share successes with your peers
- Enhance the MCH field
- Contribute to program replication
- Get expert feedback from the Review Panel
- Receive national recognition

The online submission process is simple and applications are accepted on a rolling basis. For more information, contact [Ki'Yonna Jones](#) at (202) 266-3049 or visit amchp.org/bestpractices.

You can also [click here](#) to refer an innovative MCH program that we should know about!

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awarded to institutions. Complete applications will be submitted via Grants.gov. Applicants must provide a brief Work Plan in the Project Narrative. NAT grantees will be required to complete and submit a Final Report at the end of the grant. For more information, [click here](#).

MCHB Children's Safety Network Program

Deadline: *Mar. 2*

The purpose of this cooperative agreement program is to reduce fatal and serious injuries among infants, children and youth by 100,000 over the next three years by increasing the adoption of effective child safety interventions at the national, state and local levels. The Children's Safety Network Program objectives/goals will be advanced through three primary components of activity: a National Coordinated Child Safety Initiative, Child Safety Collaboration Innovation and Improvement Network (CoIIN) Activities and Child Safety Promotion Capacity Building. To learn more, [click here](#).

NIH Patient Safety in the Context of Perinatal, Neonatal and Pediatric Care

Deadlines: *Mar. 5 (R01) and Mar. 16 (R21, R03)*

A wide range of collaborative research projects related to patient safety in the context of perinatal, neonatal and pediatric care both in routine hospital settings and in the intensive care units related to:

The epidemiology of various domains of medical errors and consequent patient harm; Assessing the factors at various levels that contribute to such errors; and Intervention strategies at individual, systems, and institutional levels to help reduce and eliminate medical errors is encouraged. Available funding includes [Research Project \(R01\)](#), [Exploratory/Developmental Research Grant \(R21\)](#), and [Small Grant Program \(R03\)](#).

NIH Pregnancy in Women with Disabilities

Deadline: *Mar. 5 (R01) and Mar. 16 (R21)*

Grant applications should propose to investigate the incidence, course, and outcomes of pregnancy among women with disabilities. Areas of interest also include studies to inform counseling and strategies for addressing barriers to prenatal care, and management of pregnancy, the puerperium, and the transition to parenthood in order to optimize outcomes for women with physical, intellectual and developmental, and/or sensory disabilities and their families. Letters of intent are due 30 days before application due dates. Available

funding includes [Research Project \(R01\)](#) and [Exploratory/Developmental Research Grant \(R21\)](#).

NIH Studies in Neonatal and Pediatric Resuscitation

Deadlines: *Mar. 5 (R01) and Mar. 16 (R21, R03)*

Grant applications should propose to stimulate research on a wide range of topics related to neonatal and pediatric resuscitation. It is anticipated that the results from well-conducted studies will enable translation of knowledge into evidence-based resuscitation practices ensuring optimal short- and long-term outcomes for all newborn infants and children. Letters of intent are due 30 days before application due dates. Available funding includes [Research Project \(R01\)](#), [Exploratory/Developmental Research Grant \(R21\)](#), and [Small Grant Program \(R03\)](#).

NIH Initiative to Maximize Research Education in Genomics Diversity Action Plan

Deadline: *Sept. 6, 2016*

NIH present this funding opportunity to facilitate the training of individuals at all careers levels (the undergraduate, graduate, post baccalaureate, postdoctoral and faculty levels) from diverse backgrounds underrepresented in scientific disciplines relevant to genomics to enable them to pursue genomics research that spans all areas of interest to National Human Genome Research Institute later in their careers. To learn more, [click here](#).

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Exploratory and Developmental Grant to Improve Health Care Quality through Health IT

Deadline: *Nov. 16, 2016*

The purpose of this grant is to fund exploratory and developmental research grants that will contribute to the evidence base of how health information technology (IT) improves health care quality. This funding opportunity supports the use of a wide variety of research designs in order to generate information regarding the design and development, implementation, use, or impact of health IT on quality. For more information on grant PA-14-001 and more, [click here](#).



CALENDAR

AMCHP Events

[AMCHP 2015](#)

Jan. 24-27, 2015
Washington, DC

MCH Events

[Public Health Law Research Annual Meeting](#)

Jan. 14-16, 2015
San Juan, Puerto Rico

[Children's Environmental Health Network \(CEHN\) 2015 Research Conference](#)

Feb. 4-6, 2015
Austin, TX

[National Health Policy Conference \(NHPC\)](#)

Feb. 9-10, 2015
Washington, DC

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[2015 National Child Health Policy Conference](#)

Feb. 11, 2015
Washington, DC

[2015 Preparedness Summit](#)

Apr. 14-17, 2015
Atlanta, GA

[Society for Public Health Education 66th Annual Meeting](#)

Apr. 23-25, 2015
Portland, OR

[The Safe States Alliance 2015 Annual Meeting](#)

Apr. 29-May 1, 2015
Atlanta, GA

[National Network of Public Health Institutes Annual Conference](#)

May 12-14, 2015
New Orleans, LA

[31st Pacific Rim International Conference on Disability and Diversity](#)

May 18-19, 2015
Honolulu, HI

[8th Biennial Childhood Obesity Conference](#)

Jun. 29-Jul. 2, 2015
San Diego, CA

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