

Health Disparities Funding Opportunities
within the
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Health Disparities Research

DCCPS funded Health Disparities research focuses on:

- Genetic and clinical differences in disease risks, presentation and outcomes
- Factors related to disease risks
- Factors related to differential outcomes and health status
- Patterns of care among population subgroups
- Access to care
- Health services utilization
- Interventions to address inequalities in prevention, early detection, and quality of care
- Dissemination and implementation of evidence-based interventions to high-risk and underserved populations

The Effect of Racial/Ethnic Discrimination/Bias on Health Care Delivery

PA-07-206 (R01) PA-06-348 (R03) PA 06-306 (R21)

This program announcement supports research to:

- Improve the measurement of racial/ethnic discrimination in healthcare delivery systems through improved instrumentation, data collection, and statistical/analytical techniques;
- Enhance understanding of the influence of racial/ethnic discrimination in healthcare delivery and its association with disparities in disease incidence, treatment, and outcomes among disadvantaged racial/ethnic minority groups; and
- Reduce the prevalence of racial/ethnic health disparities through the development of interventions to reduce the influence of racial/ethnic discrimination in healthcare delivery systems in the United States.

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Social and Cultural Dimensions of Health

PA-07-405 (R01)

This program announcement supports research to:

- Elucidate basic social and cultural constructs and processes used in health research;
- Clarify social and cultural factors in the etiology and consequences of health and illness;
- Link basic research to practice for improving prevention, treatment, health services, and dissemination, and;
- Explore ethical issues in social and cultural research related to health.



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Small Grants for Behavioral Research in Cancer Control

PA-06-458 (R03)

- Small grants are short-term awards to provide support for pilot projects, development and testing of new methodologies, secondary data analyses, and/or innovative studies that provide a basis for more extended research.
- Examples of the types of projects that are supported with the R03 include the following:



Pilot or feasibility studies;
Secondary analysis of existing data;
Small, self-contained research projects;
Development of research methodology; and/or
Development of new research technology.

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Cancer Surveillance Using Health Claims-Based Data

PA-07-254 (R01) PA-06-386 (R21)

- Issued NCI and (AHRQ) solicits grant applications for research entailing the use of health claims data for cancer surveillance.
- Examples of research topics that would be responsive to this PA:



Studies of the patterns of care for persons with specific cancers/stages

Disparities in the receipt in cancer care based on demographic and socio-economic characteristics;

The roles of provider and health system factors as they influence cancer treatment;

Evaluation of the quality of care across the cancer continuum;

Use of screening tests among the general population and rates of post-diagnostic surveillance for persons with cancer.

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Effects of Emerging Cellular, Molecular, and Genetic Technologies on Cancer Health Care Delivery

PA-06-280 (R01) PA-06-281 (R21)

This program announcement supports research to improve the understanding of access, quality, and costs associated with the use of cellular, molecular, and genetic technologies (CMG) across the cancer continuum.

Examples of studies that are responsive to this PA include studies that examine CMG technologies in relation to:



- Quality of care;
- organizational barriers and change factors in utilization;
- cost and cost-effectiveness;
- disparities in access and efficacy;
- monitoring of cross-sectional patterns of care and time trends;
- impact on existing standards of care, and;
- influence on cancer outcomes such as incidence, progression, mortality, survival, and quality of life.

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Reducing Health Disparities Among Minority and Underserved Children

PA-07-391 (R21) PA-07-392 (R01)

This initiative is designed to stimulate research that targets the reduction of health disparities among children (Ages 0-21).

Examples of studies that are responsive to this PA include studies:



- That evaluate how gender, health literacy and immigrant status affect children's health and access to health care.
- Of racism and racial discrimination as well as other forms of discrimination and their impact on children and caregiver experiences, health and access to health care.
- Of racial socialization, children's emerging ethnic identity and gender roles and their impact on health behaviors and health outcomes.
- Intervention studies that target children's and parents' health beliefs, health literacy and the influence of peers and culture on health behaviors, health care utilization and health outcomes as well as other interventions designed to reduce health disparities among children.

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Trans-NIH Dissemination and Implementation Research

PAR-06-520 (R03), PAR-06-521 (R21), and PAR-07-086 (R01)

Dissemination is “the targeted distribution of information and intervention materials to a specific public health or clinical practice audience”

Implementation is “the use of strategies to introduce or change evidence-based health interventions within specific settings.”



Examples of studies that are responsive to this PA include:

- Studies testing the utility of alternative dissemination strategies for service delivery systems targeting rural, minority, and/or other underserved populations.
- Studies of efforts to implement prevention, early detection, and diagnostic interventions, as well as treatments or clinical procedures of demonstrated efficacy, into existing care systems to measure the extent to which such procedures are utilized, and adhered to, by providers and consumers.
- Studies of the capacity of specific care delivery settings (primary care, schools, community health settings, etc.) to incorporate dissemination or implementation efforts within current organizational forms.

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For Additional Information on Funding Opportunities Within DCCPS

http://cancercontrol.cancer.gov/funding_apply.html

Also see: DCCPS Resource Materials

