



Wellness and Prevention Digest

TODAY'S NEWS - November 8th, 2022



Reports and Announcements

- November is Alzheimer's Awareness Month. The goal of the month is to heighten awareness about Alzheimer's disease and show support for the more than 6.2 million Americans living with it. Here are some resources from the [Alzheimer's Foundation of America](#) and [Johns Hopkins School of Medicine](#).
- Yesterday, The Association of State and Territorial Health Officials (ASTHO), Big Cities Health Coalition (BCHC) and the National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) [received the 2022 Fries Prize for Improving Health](#). The award recognizes an individual or organization making major contributions to the improvement of public health with emphasis on recent contributions to health. It is intended for those who have done the most to improve health for the greatest number of people. This is the first time in the more than 30-year history of the award that three organizations simultaneously received this recognition.

- The National Association of County & City Health Officials (NACCHO) has released the report [Addressing the Intersection of Suicide, Overdose, and Adverse Childhood Experiences: What Is the Capacity of Local Health Departments?](#) This report provides a summary of LHDs reporting of their capacities to address the intersection of suicide, overdose, and ACEs in eight capacity domains.
- The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has several diverse fellowship, internship, training, and volunteer opportunities for students and professionals. Many of these opportunities provide invaluable experience and potentially offer clear cut paths to exciting careers with CDC, including the National Center for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases (NCIRD). Opportunities include:
 - [Prevention Effectiveness Fellowship](#)
 - [Public Health Informatics Fellowship Program](#)
 - [Applied Public Health Informatics Fellowship](#)
 - [Science Ambassador Fellowship](#)

Events

- [Reminder - TFAH's November Age-Friendly Public Health Systems training will feature ASTHO's Health Improvement and Healthy Aging teams who will provide an overview of strategies and tools public health agencies can use to propel healthy aging work forward through policy, systems, and environmental changes supported by collaboration.](#) This session will be held November 17th. Register [here](#).
- Join Trust for America's Health on November 30 at 1:30 pm (ET) for a virtual congressional briefing and national webinar, [State of Obesity 2022: Better Policies for a Healthier America](#). The briefing will explore findings from [TFAH's recent report](#), which found obesity rates continue to climb nationwide and within population groups. 19 states had adult obesity rates at 35 percent or higher, up from 16 states the year before. Speakers will cover the latest data on obesity and its impacts, highlight promising approaches to ensure healthier communities, and offer policy recommendations that can help all Americans lead healthier lives.

Take Action

- The Protecting the Health of America's Older Adults Act (H.R. 6302) would create a healthy aging program at CDC, including grants to states for public health approaches to healthy aging. A fact sheet to the bill, which includes a list of endorsing organizations, can be found [here](#). To endorse the bill, fill out [this form](#) (no need to fill it in if your organization is already listed).
- The Improving Social Determinants of Health Act of 2021 (S. 104/H.R. 379) would create a SDOH program at CDC, including grants to states for a public health approach to SDOH. A fact sheet to the bill, which includes a list of endorsing organizations, can be found [here](#). To endorse the bill, fill out [this form](#) (no need to fill it in if your organization is already listed).

Opportunities and Deadlines

Sign On Documents and Opportunities for Input

- *Preventing Chronic Disease* has issued a call for papers in two different areas. The [Public Health, Medicine, Dentistry, Nursing, and Pharmacy: Combating Racism Through Research, Training, Practice, and Public Health Policies](#) call is due on October 31st. The [Advancing Chronic Disease Data Modernization Enhancements to Meet Current and Future Public Health Challenges](#) call is due on February 15th, 2023.
- The Providing Urgent Maternal Protections (PUMP) for Nursing Mothers Act (S. 1658) would close the coverage gap in the Break Time for Nursing Mothers law, ensuring an additional 9 million women of childbearing age have the right to time and space to pump breast milk during the workday. Organizations are invited to [sign on to a joint letter urging the Senate to pass the bill](#). Signers will be added on a rolling basis.
- The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Hospitals Promoting Breastfeeding program helps fund critical initiatives to support breastfeeding families in hospitals, workplaces, and communities. Organizations are invited to [sign on to a joint letter urging policymakers to increase investments in this program in fiscal year 2023](#). Signers will be added on a rolling basis.

- USDA is interested in learning from stakeholders how we can better meet the needs of customers seeking kosher or halal foods through The Emergency Assistance Food Program (TEFAP). So far, USDA has held discussions with several advocacy organizations, 9 State Agencies, and food banks in those states that serve communities with kosher and/or halal food needs. USDA is reviewing the information gathered through these conversations to determine some actions and next steps we can take to better meet the needs of customers seeking kosher and halal foods. USDA is interested in feedback from States and food banks in all States and territories about how to best meet their customers' needs. Feedback can always be shared with your State Agency or sent to USDAFoods@usda.gov.
- Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Health and the de Beaumont Foundation recently released the report [Seven Ways Business Can Align with Public Health for Bold Action and Innovation](#). To support collaboration between business and public health, the organizations are collecting [endorsements and stories of alignment](#), which are reflections on how organizations are applying recommendations from the report as well as endorsements, which will be accepted on a rolling basis.

Funding Opportunities and Awards

- The National Network of Public Health Institutes is excited to announce the release of a new national training and workforce development opportunity for early, mid, and senior career state, tribal, local, and territory public health practitioners that is available through Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) [Public Health Policy and Strategy Innovation Hub](#). This pilot initiative will support a cohort of public health practitioners' participation in a series of trainings to prepare them for change, build capacity for strategic policy and decision making, learn adaptive leadership skills to inform decision-making approaches, and design solutions to address current and future public health issues. The Innovation Hub application is now open and accepting [applications](#) until Wednesday, November 30, 2022, at 5:00 p.m. (PT).
- The Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) has announced a new notice of funding opportunity (NOFO) for its [ATSDR's Partnership to Promote Local Efforts To Reduce Environmental Exposure \(APPLETREE\) program](#). Through this cooperative agreement, funded applicants will receive resources and guidance to assess and respond to site-specific issues involving exposure to hazardous substances in the environment. This new 5-year cooperative agreement program will fund approximately 34 state and local health departments and/or federally recognized American Indian/Alaska Native Tribal governments for a period of

performance from April 1st, 2023, to March 31st, 2028. The deadline to apply is December 9th.

- The NIH Common Fund has issued the funding opportunity announcement (FOA) [RFA-RM-23-001](#): Community Partnerships to Advance Science for Society (ComPASS): Coordination Center (U24 - Clinical Trial Optional). This funding opportunity will fund a single coordination center as an integral part of the ComPASS Program. The ComPASS Coordination Center (CCC) will provide administration, coordination, data, and research capacity-building and training support to the ComPASS consortium. In addition to the CCC, the consortium includes Community-led, Health Equity Structural Intervention (CHESI) projects that intervene on structural factors that create and perpetuate health inequities and Health Equity Research Hubs to provide localized technical assistance to the community-led health equity structural interventions. Read the Full Funding Opportunity [here](#). Letters of intent due December 27th.
- [Public Health AmeriCorps](#), launched in partnership with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, is a \$400 million investment to engage new communities and individuals in public health, recruiting and building a new workforce ready to respond to the nation's public health needs. Last year, over 80 organizations were awarded a total of more than \$60 million. Funding is open to nonprofit, faith-based, tribal, and community-based organizations; higher education institutions; state, local, and territorial government entities, including local public health departments. The deadline to apply for a grant is January 4th, 2023.
- CDC's National Center for Injury Prevention and Control (NCIPC) is accepting applications for [Injury Control Research Center \(ICRC\) grants](#). The ICRCs support NCIPC's priorities and mission through high-quality research, training, and outreach, as well as effective translation of scientific discoveries into practice for the prevention and control of injuries and violence. The application deadline is January 6th, 2023.
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- Evidence for Action's released an [open and rolling call for proposals, Innovative Research to Advance Racial Equity](#). Through this CFP they seek to fund researchers, practitioners, community leaders, advocates, policymakers, and/or other stakeholders to investigate the impacts of various social interventions on health and racial equity outcomes. They are interested in projects that develop and disseminate evidence about what works to advance racial equity and improve health and well-being outcomes for people and communities of color.

Other

- The application period is now open for all who wish to participate in the [ASPECT \(Advocacy, Support, Perspective, Empowerment, Communication, and Training\) Patient Empowerment Program](#) at Prevent Blindness. Prevent Blindness is recruiting individuals with vision impairment or blindness as well as allies (i.e. caregivers, loved ones, nonprofit representatives, multidisciplinary clinicians, and researchers). The program aims to equip participants with knowledge, skills, and confidence to become advocates for vision and eye health- at the individual, peer-to-peer, community, state, or national levels. The deadline to apply is November 11th.
- Learn how your health department can protect workers and diners from COVID-19 with a new, video-based, interactive training developed by the Public Health Foundation, in partnership with the Food and Society Program at the Aspen Institute. The training, [Safety First: Helping Restaurants Reduce the Spread of COVID-19](#), is now available through the TRAIN Learning Network.
- The National Headache Foundation (NHF) launched [Primary Care Migraine](#), a new educational training program available at no cost to health practitioners. The program was announced by Tom Dabertin, Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer of the National Headache Foundation. The course also offers a diagnosis tool to assist one in quickly diagnosing migraines while interviewing and examining patients.
- Prevent Blindness is seeking applicants for the [A.S.P.E.C.T. \(Advocacy, Support, Perspective, Empowerment, Communication, and Training\) Program](#), which aims to equip participants with the knowledge, skills, and confidence

to become advocates for vision and eye health- at the individual, peer-to-peer, community, state, or national levels via an 8-week educational series.

Upcoming Events

Today's Additions in Red

National Family Caregivers Month

Sponsored by the Caregiver Action Network
November 2022

[For more information](#)

The Environmental Justice Index: a National Tool to Measure the Cumulative Impacts of Environmental Burden on Health

Sponsored by CDC/ATSDR
To register for [November 9th](#) or [December 7th](#)

2022 Age-Friendly Ecosystem Summit

Sponsored by the Center for Aging, Health & Humanities at George Washington University
Wednesday, November 9th

[For more information and to register](#)

My City My Health Conference

Sponsored by The Healthy Project
Friday, November 11th, 10:00 – 4:00 p.m. (ET)

[For more information and to register](#)

Safe Routes to School Summit 2022

November 15 - 17th
[For more information and to register](#)

Successful Public Health Approaches in Dementia Caregiving: Mississippi - A Virtual Roundtable Series

Sponsored by the BOLD Public Health Center of Excellence on Dementia Caregiving
Tuesday, November 15th, 12:00 p.m. (ET) - webinar

[For more information and to register](#)

Seizing the Opportunity to Develop Dementia Programs: Successful program funding, planning, and delivery

Sponsored by NADRC, ACL and RTI International
Tuesday, November 15th, 2:00 p.m. (ET) - webinar

[For more information and to register](#)

The Social Determinants of Health Policy Forum

Sponsored by RISE and Aligning for Health
November 28th - 30th

[For more information and to register](#)

Agents of Change Summit—The Science and Technology of Behavior Change

Sponsored by Rescue Agency

March 6th - 7th, 2023

San Diego, CA

[For more information and to register](#)

Active Living Conference

Sponsored by GP RED

March 13th - 16th, 2023

Bethesda, MD

[For more information and to register](#)



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