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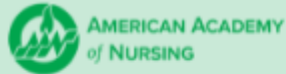
February 16, 2022



January 19: The Academy along with fifty-nine members of the Nursing Community Coalition (NCC) sent a letter to the House and Senate Appropriations Committees requesting at least \$314.472 million for **Title VIII Nursing Workforce and Development Programs** and at least \$200.782 million for the **National Institute of Nursing Research** for Fiscal Year (FY) 2022. [Read more.](#)

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February 9: The Academy partnered with the National Academy of Medicine to establish a new **AAN Fellowship at NAM**. [Read more.](#)



REMINDER

2022 Fellowship Application Sponsor Statements due March 10, 2022.

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FELLOW OPPORTUNITIES

American Journal of Nursing (AJN)

- The *AJN* is currently seeking an **Editor-in-Chief**. Peer-reviewed and evidence-based, *AJN* is the premier source of clinical information and original research, informing nursing practice and promoting nurses' impact on the health care community and public. [Learn more](#).

Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)

- HRSA has a [number of new research funding initiatives and opportunities](#) that are available for submission. [View all funding opportunities](#).

National Institute of Nursing Research (NINR)

- NINR is seeking applications from outstanding candidates for [Director, Division of Extramural Science Programs \(DESP\)](#), [Clinical Director, Division of Intramural Research \(DIR\)](#), [Deputy Director, Scientific Director, Division of Intramural Research](#) and [Program Officer / Health Scientist Administrator \(multiple positions; GS-12/13/14 or GS-15\)](#), to provide visionary leadership for the Institute. All positions are part of the NINR senior leadership team and report directly to the NINR Director. [Read More](#).
- NINR has a [number of new funding initiatives and opportunities](#) that are available for submission. To help the process, the National Institutes of Health (NIH) released a [Guide Notice](#) for submissions.



National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine (NASEM)

- *Feature Story:* "As New Variants of the Coronavirus Emerge, Reaching the Vaccine-Hesitant Takes on New Urgency." Read more [here](#).
- *News Release:* "Systems for Providing Protection from Inhalation Hazards Should Extend to the Public and Broader Groups of Workers, Says New Report." Read more [here](#).
- *Feature Story:* "Patients as 'First Responders' — What COVID-19 Teaches Us About Timely Diagnosis." Read more [here](#).
- *Feature Story:* "Traumatic Brain Injury Categories Should Be Updated and Personalized to Better Guide Patient Care, Says New Report." Read more [here](#).
- *Feature Story:* "New Report Reviews VA Monograph on Economic Impact and Cost-Effectiveness of Service and Emotional Support Dogs for Veterans with PTSD." Read more [here](#).
- *Media Advisory:* "Biodiversity at Risk — New Booklet." Read more [here](#).
- *News Release:* "National Academies Partner with Chan Zuckerberg Initiative on New Grant Program to Recognize and Further Leadership by Biomedical Researchers Who Promote Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion." Read more [here](#).

National Academy of Medicine (NAM)

- *News:* "Expert Papers from the National Academy of Medicine Identify Lessons Learned and Compelling Needs for Health Product Manufacturers & Innovators and Digital Health After COVID-19." Read more [here](#).
- *Workshop:* NAM will host a 2-day workshop, "Methadone Treatment for Opioid Use Disorder: Examining Federal Regulations," on March 3-4, 2022. Find out more information [here](#).
- *News:* "National Academy of Medicine Launches Fellowship in Nursing." Read more about the new AAN Fellowship at NAM [here](#). The call for nominations will open on March 1, 2022.

National Institute for Health Care Management (NIHCM)

- *Newsletter:* "Cutting Through COVID-19 Confusion." Read more [here](#).
- *Press Release:* "Device Manufacturer Payments to Physicians May Influence Hospitals' Purchasing Decisions - New Research Insights." Read more [here](#).

- *Press Release:* “NIHCM Awards over \$500,000 in Grants to Journalists: Supporting Working Journalists' Education, Coverage of Climate Change, Health Disparities, and more.” Read more [here](#).
- *Webinar:* “Climate Changes Health: Moving Towards Environmental Health Equity.” January 26 from 3:00-4:00 PM ET. Learn more [here](#).



Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

- [CDC updated consumer mask website to emphasize protection, fit, and comfort](#)
- [CDC released Updated Maps of America's High Levels of Inactivity](#)
- [CDC released new Materials Available for Healthcare Professionals Supporting Pregnant and Postpartum Patients](#)
- [CDC Released Data Ahead of National Black HIV/AIDS Awareness Day Highlights Factors that Contribute to Continuing HIV Disparities in the U.S.](#)
- [Federal Register Notice: CDC's updated Clinical Practice Guideline for Prescribing Opioids is now open for public comment](#)
- [New CDC Studies: COVID-19 Boosters Remain Safe, Continue to Offer High Levels of Protection Against Severe Disease Over Time and During Omicron and Delta Waves](#)

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)

- [Medicare Shared Savings Program Continues to Grow and Deliver High-Quality, Person-Centered Care Through Accountable Care Organizations](#)
- [CMS Makes Nursing Home Staffing Data Available](#)
- [CMS Commits Over \\$49 Million to Reduce Uninsured Rate Among Children and Boost Medicaid Enrollment Among Parents, Pregnant People](#)
- [Biden-Harris Administration Announces 14.5 Million Americans Signed Up for Affordable Health Care During Historic Open Enrollment Period](#)
- [Biden-Harris Administration Will Cover Free Over-the-Counter COVID-19 Tests Through Medicare](#)
- [CMS Makes Nursing Home COVID-19 Booster Vaccination Data Available Online](#)

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA)

- [FDA Approves First Generic of Restasis](#)
- [FDA Approves Second COVID-19 Vaccine](#)
- [FDA Takes Actions to Expand Use of Treatment for Outpatients with Mild-to-Moderate COVID-19](#)
- [FDA Takes Steps Aimed at Fostering Development of Non-Addictive Alternatives to Opioids for Acute Pain Management](#)
- [FDA Postpones Advisory Committee Meeting to Discuss Request for Authorization of Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine for Children 6 Months Through 4 Years of Age](#)
- [FDA Authorizes New Monoclonal Antibody for Treatment of COVID-19 that Retains Activity Against Omicron Variant](#)

Department of Health & Human Services (HHS)

- [HHS Distributing \\$2 Billion More in Provider Relief Fund Payments to Health Care Providers Impacted by the COVID-19 Pandemic](#)
- [U.S. Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, Treasury issue 2022 Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act Report to Congress](#)
- [CMS Commits Over \\$49 Million to Reduce Uninsured Rate Among Children and Boost Medicaid Enrollment Among Parents, Pregnant People](#)
- [Readout of Secretary Becerra's Virtual Roundtable On State of Obesity And Nutrition Amidst The Pandemic](#)
- [HHS Announces a Standard Clinical Definition for Opioid Withdrawal in Infants](#)
- [Secretary Becerra Announces New HHS Task Force to Prevent Human Trafficking](#)
- [Fact Sheet: Celebrating Black History Month 2022](#)
- [HHS Announces New Reports and Grant Program Addressing the Health Needs of Pregnant Women and Children Affected by Substance Use](#)
- [HHS Announces Availability of \\$19.2 million to Expand Training of Primary Care Residents in Rural and Underserved Communities](#)
- [HHS Issues New Guidance for Health Care Providers on Civil Rights Protections for People with Disabilities](#)
- [HHS Provides \\$66.5 Million to Expand Community-Based Outreach Efforts to Increase COVID-19 Vaccinations](#)
- [Remarks by Secretary Xavier Becerra at the *Health Affairs Journal* Virtual Symposium on Racism and Health](#)
- [HHS Announces Winners of National Challenge to Increase Pediatric Vaccinations and Well-Child Visits](#)

National Institute of Health (NIH)

- *News Release:* "Mix-and-match trial finds additional dose of COVID-19 vaccine safe, immunogenic." Read more [here](#).
- *News Release:* "Hyperimmune intravenous immunoglobulin does not improve outcomes for adults hospitalized with COVID-19." Read more [here](#).
- *News Release:* "Trial tests strategy to augment response to COVID-19 vaccines in transplant recipients." Read more [here](#).
- *News Release:* "NIH-funded study suggests COVID-19 increases risk of pregnancy complications." Read more [here](#).

National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA)

- *News Release:* "Suicides by drug overdose increased among young people, elderly people, and Black women, despite overall downward trend." Read more [here](#).
- *News Release:* "Social connectedness, sleep, and physical activity associated with better mental health among youth during the COVID-19 pandemic." Read more [here](#).



Based on previous positions taken by the Academy, the following scan is meant for informational purposes and does not directly translate to Academy endorsement. Links provided allow you to watch the recordings and read witness testimony.

House Committee on Education & Labor

- February 16: [Subcommittee Hearing: Serving All Students: Promoting a Healthier, More Supportive School Environment](#)
- February 17: [Subcommittee Hearing: Exploring Pathways to Affordable, Universal Health Coverage](#)

House Committee on Energy & Commerce

- February 2: [Hearing on "Pandemic Profiteers: Legislation to Stop Corporate Price Gouging"](#)
- February 3: [Hearing on "FDA User Fee Reauthorization: Ensuring Safe and Effective Drugs and Biologics"](#)
- February 8 : [Hearing on "ARPA-H: The Next Frontier of Biomedical Research"](#)

House Committee on Veteran Affairs

- February 2: [Securing High-Demand Jobs For Veterans](#)
- February 3: [Close to Home: Supporting Vet Centers in Meeting the Needs of Veterans and Military Personnel](#)
- February 8: [Honoring Our Promise: Reviewing the Effectiveness of Services for Survivors and Dependents](#)
- February 9: [IT Infrastructure Modernization: Addressing Ongoing Challenges and the Path Forward](#)

Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Technology

- February 1: [Stopping COVID-19 Fraud and Price Gouging](#)

Senate Committee on Finance

- February 2: [Subcommittee Hearing: The Hospital Insurance Trust Fund and the Future of Medicare Financing](#)
- February 8: [Protecting Youth Mental Health: Part I - An Advisory and Call to Action](#)
- February 15: [Full Committee Hearing: Protecting Youth Mental Health: Part II - Identifying and Addressing Barriers to Care](#)

Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor & Pensions

- February 1: [Full Committee Hearing: Mental Health and Substance Use Disorders: Responding to the Growing Crisis](#)
- February 8: [Full Committee Hearing: Lessons Learned from COVID-19: Highlighting Innovations, Maximizing Inclusive Practices and Overcoming Barriers to Employment for People with Disabilities](#)
- February 10: [Subcommittee Hearing: Recruiting, Revitalizing & Diversifying: Examining the Health Care Workforce Shortage](#)
- February 15: [Full Committee Hearing: Supporting Quality Workforce Development Opportunities and Innovation to Address Barriers to Employment](#)

Senate Committee on Veteran Affairs

- February 1: [Press Conference: Tester, Moran Hold Press Conference on Landmark Effort to Provide Health Care for Post-9/11 Toxic-Exposed Veterans](#)

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