July 28: The Academy announces Cheryl Killion as the National Academy of Medicine Distinguished Nurse Scholar-in-Residence. Read more.

July 28: The Academy, along with fifty members of the Nursing Community Coalition (NCC), signed onto a letter to the U.S. Senate supporting the consideration and passage of H.R. 6087, the Improving Access to Workers' Compensation for Injured Federal Workers Act. The Academy previously supported this bill in a letter to the House. Read more.

July 29: The Academy applauds the Administration for elevating Monkeypox to a health emergency. We must commit to reducing the stigma surrounding this disease and commit to evidence-based public health measures to provide the best possible care. Read more.

August 2: The Academy, along with members of the Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids, submitted comments to the Food and Drug Administration regarding their proposed rule prohibiting flavored cigars. Read more.

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August 8: The Academy applauds the Senate’s passage of the Inflation Reduction Act, which will help counteract rising costs of healthcare to promote health equity. Read more.

August 9: The Academy congratulates Paule V. Joseph as the inaugural AAN Fellow at the National Academy of Medicine. Read more.
Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)

- [Nursing, Education, Practice, Quality and Retention: Registered Nurse Training Program](#): Application deadline is August 19, 2022
- [Nursing, Education, Practice, Quality and Retention: Clinical Faculty and Preceptor Academies Program](#): Application deadline is August 22, 2022
- 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 [Clinical Director, Division of Intramural Research (DIR)](#). This position is part of the NINR senior leadership team and reports 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.
The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine (NASEM)

• Multiday Event, August 1-3: Review of Federal Policies that Contribute to Racial and Ethnic Health Inequities
• Multiday Event, August 1-4: Children’s Environmental Health: A Workshop on Future Priorities for Environmental Health Sciences
• Multiday Event, August 3-4: Use of Race, Ethnicity, and Ancestry as Population Descriptors in Genomics Research
• Webinar, August 3: Evaluating COVID-19-Related Surveillance Measures for Decision Making

National Academy of Medicine (NAM)

• NAM and American Public Health Association Webinar: Monkeypox: The State of the Science
• NAM Annual Meeting, October 17: Revolutionizing the Biomedical and Health Sciences

The White House

• White House Blueprint for Addressing the Maternal Health Crisis
• Memorandum on Addressing the Long-Term Effects of COVID-19
• Remarks by President Biden At Signing of H.R. 5376, The Inflation Reduction Act of 2022

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

• New COVID-19 Vaccine Effectiveness Data Showcase Protection Gained by 3rd and 4th Doses
• Overdose death rates increased significantly for Black, American Indian/Alaska Native people in 2020
• CDC Recommends Novavax’s COVID-19 Vaccine for Adults
• CDC Hosts 11th International Conference on Emerging Infectious Diseases
• Federal Health Agencies Unveil National Tool to Measure Health Impacts of Environmental Burdens

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)

• CMS Releases First-Ever Home- and Community-Based Services Quality Measure Set
• CMS Proposes Rule to Advance Health Equity, Improve Access to Care, and Promote Competition and Transparency
• CMS Enhances Nursing Home Rating System with Staffing and Turnover Data
• CMS Offers Roadmap for States to Help Connect Children with Complex Medical Conditions to Critical Medicaid Services
• New CMS Rule Increases Payments for Acute Care Hospitals and Advances Health Equity, Maternal Health

U.S. Department of Health & Human Services (HHS)

• HHS Announces Historic Investment of Over $49 Million to Increase Health Care Coverage for Children, Parents, and Families
• FACT SHEET: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Response to the Monkeypox Outbreak
• HHS Strengthens Country’s Preparedness for Health Emergencies, Announces Administration for Strategic Preparedness and Response (ASPR)
• HHS Announces Proposed Rule to Strengthen Nondiscrimination in Health Care
• HHS, DOL, and Treasury Issue Guidance Regarding Birth Control Coverage
• HHS and DOJ Issue Guidance on Nondiscrimination in Telehealth the week of the 32nd anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)
• HHS Invests Nearly $60 Million to Strengthen Health Care Workforce and Improve Access to Care in Rural Communities
• HHS Awards Nearly $90 Million to Community Health Centers to Advance Health Equity through Better Data

Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)

• National Sample Survey of Registered Nurses

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA)

• FDA Details Optimized Approach for Regulatory Oversight Tools to Better Protect Public Health
• FDA Provides Update on Agency Response to Monkeypox Outbreak

National Institute of Health (NIH)

• Vaccine-Induced Immune Response to Omicron Wanes Substantially Over Time
• Statement from NIH and BARDA on the Novavax COVID-19 Vaccine
• The Healthcare Professional’s Core Resource on Alcohol

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)

• U.S. Transition to 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline Begins

Social Security Administration

• August 25: Racial Equity Research, Statistics, and Data Resources: Race & Ethnicity Tables Webinar

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 Veteran Affairs
  • July 27: Protecting Our Veterans: Patient Safety and Electronic Health Record Modernization Program

Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor & Pensions
  • July 26: Full Committee Hearing: Fighting Fentanyl: The Federal Response to a Growing Crisis

Senate Committee on Veteran Affairs
  • July 20: Examining the Status of VA's Electronic Health Record Modernization Program

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