A National Commission that blasted American research universities in 1998 for ignoring undergraduate education says in a follow-up report that they have undergone a "sea change" in the emphasis they put on teaching undergraduates.

The commission surveyed the nation's 123 research universities last spring to find out whether they had made progress on 10 recommendations that the original panel, called the Boyer Commission, made in its report, "Reinventing Undergraduate Education: A Blueprint for America's Research Universities." The commission was named for Ernest L. Boyer, who led it but died before it finished its work. He was a past president of the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, which created the commission in 1995.

The 1998 report said teaching had for years taken a back seat to professors' research and writing, and it urged a change. The report said universities should give undergraduates more opportunities to do research and participate in creative learning; create freshman seminars and senior capstone courses and projects; put more emphasis on teaching students to write; and reward faculty members who are good teachers.

According to the follow-up report, "Reinventing Undergraduate Education: Three Years After the Boyer Report," universities have made "considerable headway" in achieving many of the recommendations. Shirley Strum Kenny, who heads the 10-member commission and is president of the State University of New York at Stony Brook, says she was astonished by the magnitude of the changes.

The panel found that universities have made the most progress in creating research opportunities for undergraduates. Although the report does not include comparisons to 1998, it reports that all of the institutions surveyed last spring said they offer such opportunities and that 45 percent said half or more of their students take advantage of them.

Undergraduates are involved most in laboratory-science research, including biochemistry and psychology, and in engineering. The follow-up survey also found that more than 80 percent of research universities that responded now offer some kind of seminar for first-year students. About 45 percent of the institutions enroll half or more of their freshmen in such courses.

Almost all of the universities have increased their undergraduate writing requirements, with half requiring two semesters of lower-division writing and about half requiring at least one upper-division, writing-intensive course, the report says.

Officials at virtually all of the universities surveyed reported putting more emphasis on teaching in promotion-and-tenure decisions now than they did a few years ago. About 40 percent said undergraduate teaching is now a "major consideration" in those decisions. But it's not clear that universities' values have really changed. The report notes that few professors have taken advantage of new teaching-resource centers on their campuses.

Copies of the commission's report are available by sending an e-mail request to Mary Leming at mlemingnotes@cc.sunysb.edu.

*Excerpted from an article in the 3/22 issue of The Chronicle of Higher Education.
MESSAGE FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Greetings from Community-Campus Partnership for Health's 6th annual conference in Miami, FL! Over the next four days, nearly 500 community and campus leaders from across the United States, Australia, Cameroon, Canada and the Netherlands will convene here to examine the partnership as the leverage point for change in health and higher education. Through plenary presentations, skill-building workshops, “partnership blooper” sessions, regional break-out groups, site visits and informal networking, we hope to advance our understanding of community-campus partnerships and how to maximize their impact. The conference also marks the announcement of the first annual CCPH award, intended to highlight the power and potential of community-campus partnerships through exemplary models that inspire us all.

For those of you unable to be with us here in-person, we'll be sharing news from the conference on the CCPH listserv and our website. For a preview of conference activities, see http://futurehealth.ucsf.edu/ccph/nationalconference.html.

Mark your calendars NOW for CCPH's 7th annual conference, April 26-29 in San Diego, CA. The conference will feature a symposium jointly planned and sponsored by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development's Office of University Partnerships and the Community Outreach Partnership Centers program. This will present an unprecedented opportunity for advancing community-campus partnerships that truly span the campus and contribute to public problem-solving and healthier communities. Stay tuned for more details in the coming weeks!

Join Us in Miami!

CCPH’s 6th Annual Conference
May 4-7, 2002

New Board Member of the Week!

Richard W. Redman
Chapel Hill, NC
rredman@email.unc.edu

Richard is Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and Professor in the School of Nursing, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. A professional nurse and a health services researcher, Richard has over 25 years of academic experience in nursing, medical, and graduate schools. He received a BSN from San Jose State University and master’s and doctoral degrees from the University of Iowa. He has taught nurses, family medicine residents, and health care administration students at a variety of academic institutions, including the Universities of Iowa, Michigan, and North Carolina as well as the University of Colorado Health Sciences Center and SUNY/Buffalo.

He’s passionate about civic engagement, service-learning, and community-based partnerships. While at Colorado, he worked with faculty to implement required service-learning experiences for nursing students in four degree programs. Although new to UNC at Chapel Hill, he’s getting ready to implement a service-learning course for undergraduate honors students and which will hopefully be expanded to others as well.

Richard is married to Patricia, a medical librarian. They are the parents of four sons: Andrew, David, Paul, and Luke.
MEMBERS IN ACTION!

Report from the Field: CCPH Member Attends Salzburg Seminar

In March of this year, I had the opportunity as a former Community Health Scholar with the W.K. Kellogg Foundation to attend the Salzburg Seminar, “Improving Access to Healthcare and Human Services: Elements of Success. The seminar was an incredible experience and I think all of the fellows who were there were moved and changed by it. There were just 60 or so participants, representing 30 countries in a relaxed and beautiful atmosphere. There was an excellent combination of large group, small group discussion and informal time to meet over meals and at night on topics related to health care access. I learned an incredible amount about health care as a right, health care disparities among underserved populations, the challenges different socio-political systems have on health care, and the different ways communities can be brought into the process of improving health. I feel like I've grown and am seeing things in a very different light.

Another important highlight of the Seminar was having the opportunity to develop friendships with people from all over the world. This is one of the goals of the Seminar (which started during the Cold War period), to foster dialog and an internationally community in a relaxed atmosphere. During breaks from the large and small group discussions, we ‘hung out’ on the patio at the palace—yes, the very one where the Sound of Music was filmed, attended a Mozart-like concert in the palace, and danced at night (to the BeeGees!) in the Beerstube.

Since the Seminar, we communicate regularly on a listserv set up for us by the Salzburg Seminar sharing information, reflecting on our experience and discussing how we will/are taking what we learned and putting it into action. There is an upcoming seminar in July, 2002 on health professions education and I'd encourage you to apply (http://www.salzburgseminar.org/). It is as you might expect, costly, but if you have the ability to attend through existing scholarships or external support, I’d highly, highly recommend it. Please email Diane Calleson at calleson@med.unc.edu if you have questions.

Dear CCPH,

I work at the Swearer Center for Public Service at Brown University with undergraduate students who are struggling to create a project that works with communities affected by health care disparities. We are trying to do this work in ways that challenge the health care system to change, rather than to temporarily bridge gaps that enable the system to continue to provide resources inadequately and inequitably to all people regardless of race, class or gender.

We are in the process of assessing the ways in which people are specifically affected in Providence, RI and are also trying to ascertain how and if people/organizations already address this issue in ways that include those most affected. If you have any suggestions for how to organize a project of this kind through direct or indirect experience or if you can suggest resources for obtaining information and/or funding, I would greatly appreciate hearing from you. Thank you.

Please email your responses directly to:
Claudia DeCesare
Claudia_DeCesare@brown.edu

The CCPH online membership directory is now up and running! You can access the online directory by going to http://my.memberclicks.com/ccph and entering your pre-assigned username & password.

We encourage you to access the directory if you have not done so already to upload your picture and edit your profile. Additionally, you are strongly encouraged to personalize your username and password upon logging in.

• To edit your individual profile, open the directory by entering your username and password. Click on the “My Profile” tab at the top of the screen.
• Review the information in each box. To make any changes enter the new information in appropriate field. To select more than one item in a given field, use CNTRL+mouse click. After you have finished editing your profile, click on the Save Changes button (at the top or the bottom) to save your changes.

Also, prior to accessing the online directory, we encourage you to review our policy and guidelines for using the directory at http://futurehealth.ucsf.edu/ccph/memberdirectory.html.

Finally, if you have any question please visit our online directory frequently asked questions at http://futurehealth.ucsf.edu/ccph/onlinedirectoryFAQ.html or contact Catherine Immanuel directly at csi@itsa.ucsf.edu. We hope you enjoy this new membership.
UPCOMING EVENTS 2002

CCPH SPONSORED EVENTS

May 4-7-CCPH’s 6th annual conference, Hotel Intercontinental, Miami, FL. The conference will focus on the PARTNERSHIP as the leverage point for change in communities and higher educational institutions. Details available at http://futurehealth.ucsf.edu/ccph/nationalconference.html

June 15-18-6th annual introductory service-learning institute: at the Sleeping Lady, Leavenworth WA. (Cascade Mountains) Applications are due by Wednesday, May 15, 2002. To obtain applications, visit http://futurehealth.ucsf.edu/ccph/projects.html#fsli - or call CCPH's fax-on-demand service at 1 (888) 267-9183 and select document # 206. To learn more, visit our website at futurehealth.ucsf.edu/ccph.html or contact Program Director Piper Krauel at (415) 502-7933 or piperk@itsa.ucsf.edu

OTHER EVENTS

April 21-27-National Volunteer Week. Details at: www.pointsoflight.org
May 7-The Congressional Rural Caucus, Bank of America, Fannie Mae Foundation, FHLBanks, and the Local Initiatives Support Corporation are hosting a reception in Washington, DC from 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. to draw attention to rural economic development and “salute” 3,800 rural community developers. The Stand Up for Rural America Day, a national coalition campaign involves 750 sponsors. The event will premier the documentary film, “A Place in the Country.” This year's event will be held at the Ronald Reagan International Trade Center Amphitheater, 1300 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W. Contact: Debby Ross by e-mail at rsvp@ruralamerica.org or phone (202) 739-9276 for details.
June 10-13-Conference on Human Sexuality and HIV/AIDS/STD Education, Airport Hilton, Kansas City, Missouri. For information, contact: Dr. Darrel Lang at (785) 296-6716 or e-mail: dlang@ksde.org or go to http://www.ksbe.state.ks.us/sfp/human_sexuality_conf.pdf for registration information. Also see the ASHA Sexuality Education Website at: www.cast.ilstu.edu/hsc/ashasex.htm for links to the above information.
June 13-16-Fifth Annual Community Research Network Conference, Loyola University of Chicago. The annual Community Research Network conference provides a dynamic forum for people from many backgrounds and perspectives - including grassroots organizers, academic researchers, practitioners, local residents, students, funders, and policymakers -- to gather and share strategies and resources for using community-based, participatory research to address the most pressing issues facing their communities. This year's theme: "Building Healthy Communities: Overcoming the Social, Economic, and Environmental Barriers with Community-Based Research." For more information, contact: Khan S. Rahi, Loka's Interim Coordinator and CRN Coordinator, at (416) 406-5517 or ksrahi@sympatico.ca; or the Loka Institute in Amherst, MA, at (413) 559-5860 or Loka@Loka.org.
June 15, 2002 Join Hands Day - Details at: www.joinhandsday.org
June 27-29-Educators for Community Engagement announces the Eighth Annual National Gathering of Service Learning Educators, Salish-Kootenai Tribal College - Pablo, Montana. This year’s theme is “Honoring Community, Honoring Place.” Educators for Community Engagement (formerly The Invisible College) is a national organization dedicated to service-learning. Their goal is increasing the practice of service-learning across the U.S. For more information and online registration, please visit: www.e4ce.org or contact: Melissa Butala, at melissab@e4ce.org.
August 4, 2002 - National Kids Day - Details at: www.kidsday.net/home.asp
October 26, 2002 Make A Difference Day - Details at: www.makeadifferenceday.com
November 11-17, 2002 - Youth Appreciation Week -Details at: www.optimist.org/index-prog.html
November 11-17, 2002 - World Kindness Week -Details at: www.acssoftkindness.org/whats_new/whats_new.html
November 23, 2002 National Family Volunteer Day - Details at: www.alliance1.org
November 24-30, 2002 - National Family Week - Details at: www.familyweek.org

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Job Opening! The University of Kentucky invites nominations and applications for the position of Vice President for Academic Outreach and Public Service. This is a new senior-level administrative position requiring leadership and managerial skills as well as knowledge of and commitment to extending a major research university's research and educational expertise to a range of community projects, social problems, and partnership opportunities in the public interest.

The Vice President for Academic Outreach and Public Service will be responsible for developing and directing service learning and volunteer opportunities for students; coordinating a variety of faculty outreach and service programs on behalf of communities throughout Kentucky and the region; promoting the University's efforts to develop and evaluate potential solutions to some of the state's most persistent problems in the areas of education, health, community vitality, and economic development; and securing additional funding for outreach and service projects at the University.

Qualifications for the position include an earned doctoral degree and a record of academic achievement that would make the candidate eligible for a tenured faculty appointment at the senior level, administrative experience in a university or college setting, a commitment to facilitating high quality university public service and community engagement, and experience in directing or coordinating University service and community enrichment projects.

The position will report directly to the President of the University. Salary will be competitive and commensurate with experience. Review of applications will begin May 15, 2002 and continue until the position is filled. Applicants should submit a letter of interest that addresses the qualifications above, a current curriculum vita, and names and contact information of three professional references.

Nominations and applications should be sent to Dr. Connie Ray, Chair of Vice President for Academic Outreach and Public Service Advisory Committee, Office of the Provost, 106 Gillis Building, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY 40506-0033.

The University of Kentucky is an Affirmative Action, Equal Opportunity Employer and actively seeks the candidacy of interested minorities and women.

Job Opening-Departmental Chair, Environmental Health Department, Boston University School of Public Health, Boston University

The Boston University School of Public Health (BUSPH) is seeking a Chairperson for its Environmental Health Department. This dynamic and diverse Department offers both Masters and Doctoral level degrees, and is committed to expanding its fifteen-person Faculty. The school's mission is to promote a stimulating academic environment that supports excellence and innovation in education, research, and service to improve the health of local, national, and international populations, particularly the disadvantaged, underserved, and vulnerable. The successful candidate for this position should have attained the rank of Professor or Associate Professor or be in a senior leadership position if applying from a governmental or non-governmental institution. The candidate should have a distinguished record of scholarship in his/her sub-discipline and a commitment to excellence in both research and education. A proven ability to attract external funding and a commitment to the effective administration of a strong and growing academic department are important. Scientist/educators from laboratory sciences, epidemiology, and social sciences are encouraged to apply.

BUSPH and the Department of Environmental Health are receptive to candidates interested in expanding the department into new areas of inquiry complementing the ongoing efforts of the departmental faculty. Current department activities include a large Superfund Basic Research Program, and the ongoing research programs in environmental epidemiology, immunotoxicology, urban environmental health, occupational safety and health, and environmental health policy. Interdepartmental collaborations within BUSPH and collaborations with the BU School of Medicine faculty are strongly encouraged and logistically feasible.

Please send a curriculum vitae and letter of interest by June 1, 2002 to: Environmental Health Search Committee, c/o Office of the Dean, Boston University School of Public Health, 715 Albany Street, Boston, MA 02118-2526

Were you unable to attend "Strategies for Increasing Diversity in the U.S. Physician Workforce," a recent forum sponsored by W.K. Kellogg Foundation, The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, and the Kaiser Family Foundation? You can now view a webcast of a select portion of the forum, including speakers Dr. Louis M. Sullivan, former Health and Human Services secretary and president of the Morehouse School of Medicine; Dr. William C. Richardson, president and CEO, W.K. Kellogg Foundation; and Dr. Robert Ross, President and CEO, The California Endowment, at kaisernet-work.org, a free service of the Kaiser Family Foundation.

The webcast, transcript, and related resources, including the report, "The Color of Medicine," are available at http://www.kaisernet-work.org/healthcast/workforcediversity/12apr02.

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The Immediate and Future Role of the J-1 Visa Waiver Program for Physicians: The Consequences of Change for Rural Health Care Service Delivery

The USDA decision to withdraw from the J-1 visa program as a sponsoring agency has garnered the attention of several rural organizations. The department has expressed concern over its ability to conduct adequate security checks for the waivers, which allow foreign doctors to extend their stay in the U.S. while practicing in a rural area. A report from the Center for Rural Health Policy Analysis is also now available at: http://www.rupri.org/pubs/archive/reports/P2002-3/index.html, on this problem at The Immediate and Future Role of the J-1 Visa Waiver Program for Physicians: The Consequences of Change for Rural Health Care Service Delivery. For additional information about current policy discussions, contact Chris Garza of the American Farm Bureau (http://www.fb.com). Also, to see an earlier discussion of state uses of the J-1 visa program refer to the Capital Area Roundtable's report on the rural health workforce and J-1 visas at http://www.gmu.edu/departments/chpre/ruralhealth/briefspublications/rhrnewsletters/newsltr_apr99.htm.

Health Professions Capitol Hill Day

Over 20 leaders from various health professions disciplines visited 25 Congressional offices on April 17 to advocate for increased funding for the Title VII and VIII health professions programs. The Health Professions Leadership Capitol Hill Day, which was sponsored by the Health Professions and Nursing Education Coalition. The complete story is at: http://www.aame.org/advocacy/washhigh/02april19/_1.htm.

From July 3-10, 2002, the Salzburg Seminar will convene Trends and Innovations in Health Professions Education: Building Comprehensive and Sustainable Reforms. This session will explore strategies for introducing and sustaining innovations in the education of health professionals through partnerships among universities, healthcare systems and other stakeholders, and through comprehensive curricular reforms.

By way of introduction, the Salzburg Seminar is one of the world's foremost international educational centers committed to broadening the perspectives of tomorrow's leaders. Throughout its fifty-four year history, the Salzburg Seminar has explored a variety of healthcare issues from a global perspective. For further information about our organization, the Seminar has an extensive website: http://www.salzburgseminar.org

Voluntary Quality Improvement Program

In an effort to help institutions improve their human research protection programs, the Office of Human Research Protections (OHRP) has launched a Quality Improvement (QI) Program. The program was made available to institutions and institutional review boards on a voluntary basis in January.

The purpose of the QI program is twofold: to increase the quality, performance, and efficiency of an institution's human subjects protection program; and to help institutions ensure compliance with federal regulations for the protection of human subjects. OHRP also hopes this program will help institutions to prepare their human research protection programs to achieve accreditation by private-sector accrediting entities.


Available Now on CDC's Website

The Technical Information and Editorial Services Branch is pleased to announce the new Chronic Disease Prevention (CDP) Databases website at http://www.cdc.gov/cdp, featuring the following bibliographic databases:

- Health Promotion & Education
- Cancer Prevention & Control
- Prenatal Smoking Cessation
- Epilepsy Education & Prevention Activities

The CDP Databases are developed to provide access to information on chronic disease prevention and health promotion to health professionals responsible for supporting, planning, developing, implementing, and evaluating chronic disease prevention and risk reduction efforts. Updated monthly, the databases provide over 40,000 bibliographic citations and abstracts of materials, such as journal articles, monographs, book chapters, reports, and fact sheets. Full text is provided for selected publications. The databases also contain descriptions of chronic disease prevention and health promotion programs.

For more information on the CDP Databases, contact: Reba Norman or Jan Stansell at (770) 488-5080.

Announcing An Audio Conference Series

Workforce Development: Practical Tools and Solutions for Achieving Excellence—Six 90-minute calls beginning June 11, 2002. The American Hospital Association has called it a "potential healthcare crisis." Many of us call it simply the "workforce issue." It's a problem that many are reacting to, but for which few are creating actual solutions.

The Institute for Healthcare Improvement (IHI) has organized a "Calls to Action" audio conference to shine a bright light on this important subject by featuring organizations and individuals that are making real progress in addressing today's health care workforce challenges.

"Calls to Action" is a new educational vehicle designed by IHI to rapidly spread improvement knowledge throughout the health care industry. Participants receive all the benefits of attending a "real" conference without leaving the convenience of their own organization.

For more information or to register, please visit http://www.ihi.org/conferences/callstoaction/Upcoming.asp or call 1-(888)320-6937.
**GRANTS ALERT!**


**Deadlines: LOI-May 15, 2002; Application-June 12, 2002**

The Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), in partnership with the Bureau of Primary Health Care (BPHC) of the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), invites applications for cooperative agreement research projects that will assess the HRSA-sponsored Health Disparities Collaboratives (HDCs). These collaboratives, initiated in 1998, represent a major, sustained effort on the part of the BPHC to enhance the quality of care provided through its health centers and ultimately improve the outcomes of underserved people. The HDCs have focused on diabetes, asthma, depression and cardiac disease and sought to narrow the gap between what is known and what is practiced. Participating health centers work together with support from regional and national infrastructure through sharing of knowledge and ideas to learn and apply methodologies for organizational change with the objective of implementing a sustainable and generalizable chronic disease management model.

The letter of intent should be sent to: Daniel Stryer, MD Center for Outcomes and Effectiveness Research Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality 6010 Executive Blvd., Suite 300 Rockville, MD 20852 Telephone: (301) 594-4038; fax: (301) 594-3211 or e-mail: dstryer@AHRQ.gov

The applications must be prepared using the PHS 398 research grant application instructions and form (rev. 5/2001). The PHS 398 is available at http://grants.nih.gov/grants/funding/phs398/phs398.html in an interactive format. For further assistance contact GrantsInfo, Telephone (301) 435-0714, e-mail: GrantsInfo@nih.gov or visit http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/phs398files/RFA-HS-02-005.html

**Rockefeller Foundation Offers Funding for Community Cultural Development Projects-Deadline: May 17, 2002**

A program of the Rockefeller Foundation's Creativity & Culture Division, Partnerships Affirming Community Transformation (PACT) is designed to recognize and enhance the critical role that arts and culture play in fostering the health of low-income neighborhoods and communities of color. This highly competitive program supports projects undertaken by artists and other cultural professionals in collaboration with other community members to express identity, concerns, and aspirations through the arts and media, building cultural capacity, and contributing to social change.

In the 2002 funding round, grants will be given to a range of U.S.-based projects in which community artists or teams use their artistic and organizing skills to advance the development of an identified community, be it geographic (e.g., a neighborhood or small town), a community of interest (e.g., shipyard workers, victims of environmental racism), or any other affinity (e.g., Latino teenagers, elders who use a senior center). Grant amounts will range from $10,000 to $50,000 per project per year, depending on scope and need. Funding requests may cover project periods ranging from twelve months to three years. The grant application must be made by a tax-exempt organization that is a partner in the process and which acts in a fiduciary capacity as the formal grant recipient.

For complete guidelines and application information, contact: PACT, Creativity & Culture Division, Rockefeller Foundation, 420 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY 10018-2702 or call: (212) 852-8286 or visit at: http://www.rockfound.org/display.asp?context=3&collection=0&subcollection=0&DocID=482&SectionTypeID=16

The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJ) is committing a record $100 million to expand its faith-based volunteer program, Faith in Action. **Application deadlines: June 1 & October 1, 2002**

Faith in Action offers $35,000 start-up grants on a non-competitive basis to communities looking to start a volunteer caregiving program designed to help people who are chronically ill, frail, elderly or disabled. The goal of Faith in Action is to develop local interfaith volunteer programs that help to better the lives of people with long-term health needs. Through the program, volunteers help individuals maintain their independence by providing assistance with daily activities such as grocery shopping, providing rides to medical appointments, doing light housework, or providing companionship through visiting or phoning.

The one-time seed money offered through RWJ's Faith in Action program are available to local coalitions established by faith congregations and other organizations or social or health service provider agencies interested in building a volunteer assistance program in their community. The grant is intended to support the establishment of an executive director, assist in the development of a board, and build relationships with community resources needed to create a successful program.

RWJ will work with community groups that require guidance and assistance in applying for the start-up grant. RWJ also provides communities with leadership training seminars and technical assistance with leadership development.

The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation concentrates its grant-making in four goal areas: to assure that all Americans have access to basic health care at reasonable cost; to improve the care and support for people with chronic health conditions; to promote healthy communities and lifestyles; and to reduce the personal, social, and economic harm caused by substance abuse-tobacco, alcohol, and illicit drugs.

For more information, visit www.rwjf.org continued next page
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Breast Cancer Research Funding
The Department of Defense (DoD) Breast Cancer Research Program (BCRP) has released several program announcements and has expressed interest in funding researchers from SPHs. FY02 BCRP Program Announcement II will call for proposals in the following areas:

• Innovator Awards: submission by June 13, 02
• Exploration Awards: submission by June 13, 02
• Idea Awards: submission by June 11, 02
• Physician-Scientist Training Awards: submission June 12, 02
• Clinical Research Nurse Training Awards: submission June 12, 02
• Predoctoral and Postdoctoral Traineeship Awards: submission June 12, 2002
• Undergraduate Summer Training Program Awards: submission June 12, 2002

More details for each Department of Defense funding mechanism are available at http://cdmrp.army.mil/funding/02bcrp2.htm. Additional program announcements for the following programs are open and available on the website http://cdmrp.army.mil:

• Prostate Cancer Research
• Tuberous Sclerosis Complex
• Neurofibromatosis Research
• Ovarian Cancer Research

If you have questions about any of the program announcements, please contact: Gail Whitehead, at: (301) 619-7783 or via e-mail: gail.whitehead@det.amedd.army.mil.

Health Resources and Services Administration’s Community-Based Dental Partnership Program
Applications deadline: June 14, 2002.
This new program provides grants that support partnerships between dental education programs and community-based dental providers, to provide oral health care to low-income, uninsured patients with HIV disease. The goals of the program are to increase access to oral health care for low-income patients with HIV in areas that remain underserved and to increase the number of dental providers capable of managing the oral health needs of patients with HIV, through community-based service-learning experiences. A pre-applicant conference call is scheduled on May 15, 2002.

Since the turn-around time to submit applications is short, potential applicants may wish to save time by downloading the forms needed as part of the official application kit from the Web at http://www.psc.gov/forms/FF99/PHS-5161-1/phs-5161-1.htm. Potential applicants can download from that address all of the component pages that comprise the entire application kit, or only the forms that are needed for this application, which are: pages 1 through 12; pages 17 through 19; and pages 25 through 29.

If you have any questions, please contact Barry Waterman, D.M.D. Director, Ryan White CARE Act Dental Reimbursement Program Program Development Branch, Division of Community-Based Programs by calling (301) 443-1434 (voice); or e-mail: bwaterman@hrsa.gov visit: http://frwebgate.access.gpo.gov/cgi-bin/getdoc.cgi?dbname=2002_register&docid=02-9617-filed

Project on Death in America Offers Social Work Leadership Development Awards—Deadline: July 1, 2002
The mission of the Project on Death in America (PDIA), a program of the Open Society Institute, is to understand and transform the culture and experience of dying and bereavement through initiatives in research, scholarship, the humanities, and the arts, and to foster innovations in the provision of care, public education, professional education, and public policy. The PDIA Social Work Leadership Development Awards aim to promote innovative research and training projects that reflect a collaboration between schools of social work and practice sites that advance the ongoing development of social work practice, education, and training in the care of the dying. The awards are also designed to promote the visibility and prestige of social workers committed to end of life care and enhance their effectiveness as academic leaders, role models, and mentors for future generations of social workers.

The Program on Death in America will grant up to six Social Work Leadership Development Awards. The period of the award may range from eighteen to twenty-four months at a figure of $30,000 per year. Payments will be made to institutions on behalf of the recipient. Priority will be given to projects involving collaboration between a school of social work and a practice site. Funds may be used to support a percentage of the recipient's salary and fringe benefits and may also be used toward project costs, research assistance, travel funds for national meetings up to $2,500, and other costs related to work on the recipient's project.

Applications will be accepted from researchers and practitioners from health care facilities who have demonstrated expertise in care of the dying, with priority given to those with doctoral-level preparation; social work faculty from schools of social work throughout the United States, with priority given to those who hold a rank of instructor, assistant professor, or associate professor; advanced social work practitioners with documented clinical, community development, policy, or research experience; and individuals who have demonstrated leadership in advancing the field of social work.

For complete application guidelines, contact: Project on Death in America, Open Society Institute, 400 West 59th Street, New York, NY 10019 or call (212) 548-0150; e-mail: pdia@pdia@grads@sorosny.org or visit http://www.soros/death/socialrfa.htm.
CALL FOR ABSTRACTS/PROPOSALS/MANUSCRIPTS

National Conference on Prevention in Higher Education-
Call for Proposals-Deadline: May 24, 2002
Please consider being a presenter at the U.S. Department of
Education's 2002 National Meeting on Alcohol and Other Drug
Abuse and Violence Prevention in Higher Education. This
year's meeting takes place Thursday - Sunday, November 21 -
24, 2002, in Seattle WA with the theme, "Reaching New
Heights: Building Partnerships for Comprehensive Prevention."
Call for proposals is available at: http://www.edc.org/hec/
natl/2002/.

Network Conference, Eldoret/Kenya September 7-12, 2002
Deadline for abstracts: June 1, 2002
The programme outline is available at http://www.the-network.
org/kenya/programme. Information on pre/post conference
Details on the Call for Abstracts: http://www.the-network.org/
kenya. The registration form can be obtained at http://www.
the-network.org/kenya/registration

Solicitation of Manuscripts for HSR Special Issue on Social
Determinants of Health-Deadline: September 1, 2002
With the support of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation,
Health Services Research (HSR) is planning a special issue
focusing on the social determinants of health, to provide a
forum for presenting the latest research and policy analysis to a
broad audience of researchers, practitioners, and policymakers.
There is ample evidence that most health policymakers, both at
state and federal levels, do not understand how policy relating
to non-medical determinants of health can be incorporated
into health policy. Conversely, policymakers in such fields as
education, transportation, or housing rarely see that there are
major health implications to the choices that they make.
Education is needed in both directions.

Topics of interest include but are not limited to social
inequalities in health by socioeconomic position, race/
ethnicity, gender, etc.; the role of a broad range of psycho-
social factors in health at the level of individuals, neighbor-
hoods, and communities, and broader sociopolitical units; the
interconnections and interactions between and among social
and biological-chemical-physical determinants of health; and
implications of social determinants of health for health care or
health services research, practice, and policy.

Drs. Jim House, Nicole Lurie, and Catherine McLaughlin will
serve as co-editors of the special HSR issue. September 1,
2002 is the deadline for submission. The journal will
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the outcome of the review process by December 1, 2002. The
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The Network Program is pleased to announce the availability of its new curriculum, “Toward Culturally
Competent Care: A Toolbox for Teaching Communication Strategies.” This 170-page curriculum is
designed to teach skills for practical day-to-day encounters between clinicians and patients. It can be adapted for
sequential one-hour sessions or for daylong seminars. Through didactic and experiential exercises, it provides a
rationale for cultural competency, introduces concepts of culture, health beliefs and alternative and complemen-
tary practices, and teaches specific communication skills to elicit their patients' cultural perspectives about health
and illness. Detailed curriculum description and ordering information can be found at: http://futurehealth.ucsf.
edu/cnetwork/resources/curricula/diversity.html

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Rutgers University Press, is really two books in one. First, it covers the most basic debates that citizen advocates
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analysis and a preview of the arguments on both sides. Second, the book is a hands-on guide to the tools of citizen
activism-strategy development, organizing, coalition building, lobbying, using the Internet and more-illustrated
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