

October, 2008

Greetings AHS Faculty and friends of CHAD,

Here is some information about funding opportunities, conferences and training events that may be of interest to you:

## **Upcoming Conferences and Training Opportunities**

### **American Institute on Cancer Research 2008 Research Conference on Food, Nutrition, Physical Activity & Cancer to be held in Washington DC, November 6 & 7, 2008**

This scientific forum on the links between cancer and food, nutrition, weight management and physical activity, is geared toward basic scientists, clinical investigators, epidemiologists, dietitians, nutritionists and other health professionals.

Highlights include:

- Epigenetics and Cancer
- Novel Approaches to Cancer Survivors
- Dietary Supplements: Identifying Benefits and Risk
- Behavioral Change and Cancer
- Vitamin D and Cancer
- The Impact of Probiotics and Personalized Nutritional Genomics on Cancer Prevention

For more info call: 202-328-7744 or 800-843-8114, or

Email: [researchconference@aicr.org](mailto:researchconference@aicr.org). To register, go to [www.aicr.org/conference](http://www.aicr.org/conference)

### **2) International Council on Active Aging conference to be held December 4–6, 2008 in San Antonio, Texas**

This conference is geared toward health promotion, fitness and wellness professionals who work with older adults. The event is held in conjunction with two other conferences: the Athletic Business conference and the Medical Fitness Association conference. Registration at one conference includes entrance to sessions from all three conferences.

Wojtek Chodzko-Zajko, Andriara Schwingel, Chae-Hee Park, Leticia Malavasi, and Yang Yang of the University of Illinois at Urbana–Champaign will present at this event.

To learn more, or to register, call 866-335-9777 or go to <http://www.icaa.cc/convention.htm>

### **3) First session in a new workshop series: Understanding Foundation Philanthropy and Identifying Foundation Funders, to be held November 6**

The Office of Foundation Relations at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign is pleased to announce the first in a series of new workshops designed to provide knowledge and techniques vital to successful grantseeking. Participants may attend all of the workshops or only in those that are of interest.

Who should attend: Illinois faculty, development officers, and graduate students.

The first workshop will be presented in two parts and will cover:

- The unique characteristics of private foundations
- What foundations look for in grantees
- How to approach foundations
- How to find accurate and timely information on prospective foundation funders with an interest in research and projects like yours
- Grantseeking research tools

This session will be held November 6, 2008, 10:00-11:30 a.m. in the Monsanto Room, Isaac Funk Family Library (ACES Library), 1101 South Goodwin.

To register go to

<https://illinois.edu/formBuilder/OrganizationSecure?id=8751410> For more information, please call 265-5322 or e-mail at [foundationrelations@illinois.edu](mailto:foundationrelations@illinois.edu)

### **New FOAs from NIH**

Here are a couple Funding Opportunity Announcements (FOAs) released by the NIH within the last month that may be of interest:

#### ***Small Grants for Behavioral Research in Cancer Control (R03) (PAR-09-003)*** (reissue of PAR-06-458)

This funding opportunity announcement (FOA) is intended to provide support for either new investigators in cancer-related behavioral research, or investigators who want to refocus their research interests toward behavioral research in cancer control. The program is designed to facilitate the growth of a nationwide cohort of scientists with research experience in behavioral cancer control and design of public health interventions. Preliminary data for the proposed projects are not required. Overarching goals are to: (1) encourage new investigators to enter the field of behavioral research in cancer control and initiate their long-term career development aimed at becoming independent investigators in the field,

and (2) support research on transfer of behavioral science knowledge into cancer control practice.

Key Dates

- Earliest date applications may be submitted: March 20, 2009
- Letters of Intent Receipt Date: Not Applicable
- Application Due Dates: April 20, 2009; August 20, 2009; December 21, 2009; April 20, 2010; August 20, 2010; December 20, 2010; April 20, 2011; August 22, 2011; December 20, 2011
- Expiration Date: December 21, 2011

For more info: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-09-003.html>

***Neuroimaging in Obesity Research (R01) (RFA-DK-08-009)***

This FOA seeks applications from institutions/ organizations that propose to use neuroimaging approaches in obesity research in human subjects and animal models. Many areas of the brain interact or communicate with other organs to control eating behavior, physical activity and energy metabolism, and functional neuroimaging holds enormous promise for expanding our understanding of how food intake and energy expenditure are mismatched in a setting of abundantly available nutrients, leading to excessive fat storage.

Key Dates

- Earliest date applications may be submitted: February 18, 2009
- Letters of Intent Receipt Date: February 18, 2009
- Application Due Dates: March 18, 2009
- Expiration Date: March 19, 2009

For more info: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-DK-08-009.html>

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Please feel free to contact me if you have questions about any of these items.

Best regards,

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