An informational webinar about the Scholars Program will be held on November 8, 2021. The MCC Scholars Program aims to foster a nationwide community and mentoring network to extend and sustain MCC’s research.

What is MCC Research and Why is it Important?

MCC research is focused on understanding and addressing health disparities among vulnerable populations. MCC researchers are committed to conducting research that is relevant to the communities they serve. MCC research seeks to understand the underlying causes of health disparities and to develop interventions that can improve health outcomes for vulnerable populations.

Here are some key summary points about the grants:

1. Requirements for successful applications include:
   - Evidence of potential to lead or participate in collaborative research
   - Plans for research that is relevant to the community
   - Evidence of support from community partners

2. Applicants are expected to attend the MCC Scholars 2022 Annual Conference (April 12-14, 2022) in Pasadena, California. The conference will provide opportunities for networking and collaboration with other researchers.

3. The deadline for the 4-page pilot grant application is November 15, 2021.

4. The 1-page letter of intent is due on November 8, 2021.

5. Announcements of successful letter of intents will be made in early December 2021.

6. If you have questions or would like to join this interest group, please email Andrea Paolino at andrea.paolino@kp.org.

Older Americans Independence Centers (OAICs) AGING Initiative

The AGING Initiative would like to share an upcoming funding opportunity on behalf of the US Deprescribing Research Collaboration (US DRC). The US DRC is a multi-site research collaboration that aims to reduce inappropriate medication use among older adults. The AGING Initiative is seeking applications for collaborative awards and pilot grants to support research on deprescribing.

Click here to read more about the two RFAs.

- Details in the following pages are from the AGING Initiative
- Information about the collaborative awards and pilot grants is available on the US DRC website.
- The deadline for submission is January 31, 2022.

Census:

- The Census workgroup has done considerable work restructuring the tables to make them easier to use. The Census Demographics table has been split into two tables: one for demographic data and one for health data.
- The Census workgroup has also made improvements to the data on census tracts and block groups.
- The Census workgroup is working on a way to improve COVID-19 vaccine hesitancy and confidence among long-term care facilities (LTCF) from 2020.
- In addition, they discussed the potential of using the Census data for other research projects.

Implementation Science:

- The Implementation Science workgroup has been working on a way to improve COVID-19 vaccine hesitancy and confidence among long-term care facilities (LTCF) from 2020.
- In addition, they discussed the potential of using the Census data for other research projects.

Researcher and Health System Collaboration:

- The Pharmacy Interest Group will bring together HCSRN members and invited guests to discuss opportunities for collaboration.
- The Pharmacy Interest Group will meet regularly to discuss collaborative opportunities.
- The Pharmacy Interest Group will also provide a forum for researchers to share best practices and new directions in community-based research.

The intent of the new RPMT Interest Group is to connect Project Managers, Research Coordinators, and other researchers interested in the field of research management and project coordination.

Here are some key summary points about the grants:

- Evidence of potential to lead or participate in collaborative research
- Plans for research that is relevant to the community
- Evidence of support from community partners

The deadline for submitting an abstract for a panel presentation at the 2022 Annual HCSRN Conference is November 15, 2021.