Greetings to Research Resource Colleagues!

The beginning of summer is always marked by Memorial Day weekend. Hopefully, we all took a few moments to thank our military veterans for their service and to remember those who made the ultimate sacrifice for their country. As a former "military brat", with my father serving 20 years in the military, I have great respect for those who serve.

Of course the OT profession has its beginnings in serving those in the military returning from war. Occupational therapy has a big role to play in caring for military veterans, providing therapy for mental health issues, PTSD, TBI, substance abuse and polytrauma to name a few. OT research should be an important player in informing the advances in veteran care and helping to improve participation in and quality of life. This month's "Research Resources" focuses on research that helps our veteran population. Here's hoping you all have a great summer.

Cheers.

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Grants and Funding Opportunities

**Encompass Health Grants on Impact of Therapy on Inpatient Rehab Facilities**
Encompass Health is offering research funding grant(s) totaling up to $30,000 aimed at the investigation of the impact or effectiveness of therapy in the inpatient rehabilitation facility (IRF) post-acute care setting, and knowledge translation or implementation science. Call for Papers and Grant Application. Deadline for submission: July 31, 2018.

**93.319 -- Outreach Programs to Reduce the Prevalence of Obesity in High Risk Rural Areas**
The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Division of Nutrition, Physical Activity, and Obesity (DNPAO) has posted a new notice of funding opportunity for public and state controlled institutes of higher education to conduct work to reduce the rates of obesity in high-risk rural areas. Deadline: July 9, 2018.

**The Hearst Health Prize**
The Hearst Health prize, in partnership with the Jefferson College of Population Health, is now accepting applications for the 2019 award. The winner will receive a $100,000 prize, with $25,000 awarded to up to

**AOTF Announces the Health Services Research grant program.**
AOTF announces the Health Services Research grant program which joins our Intervention Research Grant program as part of our mission to advance the science of occupational therapy.

Health Services Research (HSR) examines how people get access to health care, how and what care is delivered, the cost of that care, and what happens to patients as a result of receiving or not receiving care.

Specifically, HSR is a multi-disciplinary field that studies how social factors, financing systems, organizational structures and processes, health technologies, and personal behaviors affect access to health care, the quality and costs of health care, and ultimately, the health and well-being of health care consumers.

The HSR program receives major funding from NBCOT.

For more information on the HSR program including the application
two finalists, in recognition of outstanding achievement in managing or improving population health. The goal is to discover, support and showcase population health programs that have made a measurable difference. Deadline: August 9, 2018.

US Department of Health and Human Services Grants
Search the grants.gov website for up to date information on grants that are available. Learn about how to apply for NIH grants.

Selected NIH Grants:
- Grants on obesity prevention and diabetes
- NIH Directors New Innovator Award Program (DP2 - Clinical Trial Optional) (RFA-RM-18-008) Application Receipt Date(s): September 10, 2018
- NIH Directors Transformative Research Award (R01 - Clinical Trial Optional) (RFA-RM-18-009) Application Receipt Date(s): September 21, 2018.
- NINDS Research Program Award (R35 Clinical Trial Optional) (RFA-NS-18-032) Application Receipt Date(s): July 13, 2018
- NINDS Research Education Opportunities (R25 Clinical Trial Not Allowed) (PAR-18-782) Application Receipt/Submission Date(s): August 27, 2018, August 27, 2019, August 27, 2020).
- Congressionally Directed Medical Research Programs (CDMRP) include:
  - Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy Research Program (DMDR)
  - Investigator-Initiated Research Award
  - Autism Research Program
  - Clinical Trial Award
  - Clinical Translational Research Award
  - Idea Development Award
- NIDILRR proposes to fund two Disability and Rehabilitation Research Projects of three years each to conduct research on opioid use disorder among people with disabilities. Each grant will be funded up to $500,000 per year for three years. Topic of interest includes: 1) Prevalence estimates and patterns of opioid use disorder treatment for people with disabilities; 2) Factors associated with increased risk for opioid use disorder; 3) Factors associated with improved access to treatment for opioid use disorder; 4) Interventions that contribute to improved outcomes; and 5) Effects of government policies and programs on access to treatment for people with disabilities who have opioid use disorders. Informational Call: 6/14/2018 Letter of Intent deadline: 6/28/2018

Veterans and OT


Call for Papers: Artificial Intelligence, Robotics, and Automation -- A Special Edition
This special edition of OTJR: Occupation, Participation and Health invites scholarly investigations into the potential for technologies like robots, smart homes, sensors, and automated systems to advance occupational therapy practice and the occupational science field. We welcome papers that undertake rigorous empirical or conceptual investigations by inquiring into the links between occupational perspectives and occupational therapy practices as they relate to the use of such technologies. Deadline: July 30, 2018.

OTJR: Occupation, Participation and Health
OTJR, published quarterly by AOTF, offers original peer-reviewed research articles of professional interest to the practicing OT with a focus on occupation and fostering interdisciplinary research. OTJR is now indexed in...


Postdoctoral Disability Research Training Program on Veterans with Disabilities
The National Institute on Disability, Independent Living, and Rehabilitation Research (NIDILRR) has provided funding to the Occupational Therapy Department at the University of Florida for postdoctoral opportunities focused on community living and participation for Veterans with disabilities. This award is in partnership with the Veterans Health Administration (VHA) Center of Innovation for Disability and Rehabilitation Research where fellows will be hosted. Three openings are currently available.

Postdoctoral Fellowship in Multiple Sclerosis Research - Johns Hopkins University
The overall goals of this two-year postdoctoral research Fellowship funded by the National MS Society and Johns Hopkins Dept. of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation are to:
1. Train clinician-scientists who will go on to be leaders in the advancement of rehabilitative strategies for people with MS.
2. Equip trainees with the skills needed to become independent, grant-funded investigators.
This program will provide clinical and research training in MS-related rehabilitation science, For more information, contact Meghan Beier.

Publications

Participants to this workshop sponsored by the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine (November 2017) explored effective use of technologies as tools for bridging identified gaps within and between health professions education and practice in order to optimize learning, performance and access in high-, middle-, and low-income areas while ensuring the well-being of the formal and informal health workforce.

Vital Directions for Health and Health Care: Revisiting the Priorities One Year Later
On March 21, 2017, the National Academy of Medicine released its capstone publication in the Vital Directions for Health and Health Care series; 19 peer-reviewed papers covering major topics in health policy with recommended opportunities for action.
One year later, the NAM announced the release of its special publication, Vital Directions for Health and Health Care: An Initiative of the National Academy of Medicine.
The special publication is available as a free PDF download and includes expert recommendations for eliminating structural inefficiencies, reducing high costs, and unifying care delivery.

Community-Based Health Literacy Interventions: Proceedings of a Workshop
The Roundtable on Health Literacy hosted a one-day public workshop on a range of community-based health literacy interventions that currently exist, research related to community-based health literacy interventions, and best practices in community-based health literacy interventions.

Conferences and Calls for Papers

4th Canadian Fall Prevention Conference (June 11-12, 2018, St. John's, Newfoundland)
This conference will address fall or injury prevention for seniors, patient populations, and the general public, for research studies or practice/community initiatives.

4th Federal Interagency Conference on TBI (June 11 - 13, 2018, Washington, DC)
The Interagency Meeting will have innovative programming and educational offerings giving you access to research, clinical programming, advocacy, policy and consumer concerns. Meet the thought-leaders in TBI rehab from all over the U.S. and around the world.
Call for Late-Breaking Oral Papers and Posters: Jan 22 - March 31, 2018

12th World Congress of the International Society of Physical and Rehabilitation Medicine (ISPRM 2018) (July 8-12, 2018, Paris, France)
Top rehabilitation specialists from across the world will present the latest research and cutting edge techniques.
The scientific program will include hands-on workshops, lively debates and more.

Healthy Aging Summit (July 16-17, 2018, Washington, DC)
The 2018 Healthy Aging Summit seeks broad participation by subject matter experts from diverse disciplines, provider types, and the public-private sectors. We want to learn from subject matter experts first-hand what is working across important areas such as healthcare, transportation, built environment, housing, law and policy, and faith-based partnerships.

Progress in Clinical Motor Control: Neurorehabilitation (July 23-25, 2018, State College, Pennsylvania)
The first conference on Progress in Clinical Motor Control: Neurorehabilitation will bring together leading scientists in the basic, engineering, and clinical sciences to exchange and share research and development in cutting edge science and technology applied to neurorehabilitation. This conference will provide a premier interdisciplinary platform for researchers, practitioners and educators to hear from top scholars on recent research and technological innovations, as well as practical challenges in integrating these advances into the field of neurorehabilitation.

Third International Conference on Paediatric Acquired Brain Injury (September 26-28, 2018), Belfast, Northern Ireland)
The conference will focus on the development of innovative treatments, rehabilitation programs, support mechanisms and ways to improve the lives and potential of young people affected by brain injury. The educational program will be inclusive of all issues relating to pediatric brain injury, both traumatic (e.g., external physical force injuries, penetrating injuries) and atraumatic (e.g., infectious diseases, tumors, stroke, neurotoxic poisonings).

AOTA Specialty Conference: Children & Youth (September 28-29, 2018, Milwaukee, Wisconsin)
(pre-conference sessions: September 27) Call for papers deadline: June 21, 2018.

ACRM Annual Conference (September 30-October 3, 2018, Dallas, Texas)
Conference theme is Progress in Rehabilitation Research. Preconference will be September 28-30, 2018 Learn about cutting-edge research and its translation into clinical practice to improve the quality of life experienced by people with disabilities and to improve their own lives -- improve their own well-being and connect with like-minded professionals. Special symposium September 30: 2nd Annual Women in Rehabilitation Science.
Call for late breaking research posters deadline extended to June 19.

AOTA Education Summit (October 13-14, 2018, Louisville, Kentucky)
More details coming late July.

12th Annual Southern Obesity Summit (October 22-14, 2018, Charleston, West Virginia)
The SOS is the largest regional obesity prevention event in the United States. The southern states join forces to fight obesity.

AOTA/NBCOT National Student Conclave (November 9-10, 2018, Atlantic City, New Jersey)
More details coming late July. Watch for details of PTE events and poster session.

American Public Health Association Annual Meeting & Expo (November 10-14, 2018, San Diego, California)
2018 Theme - Creating the Healthiest Nation: Health Equity Now. Health equity is a health, economic, human rights and social justice issue that calls for fairness and addresses inclusion along multiple dimensions, including race, ethnicity, class, sexual orientation and disability. Registration and housing open June 4.
AOTA Specialty Conference: Adult Rehabilitation (November 30-December 1, 2018, Los Angeles, California)
(pre-conference sessions: November 29) Call for papers deadline: June 21, 2018.
More details coming late August

International Brain Injury Association (IBIA) World Congress (March 13-16, 2019, Toronto, Ontario)
The aim of the 13th World Congress is to provide an opportunity for establishing collegial relationships with international professionals focused on the care and/or service of persons with acquired brain injury and/or the science of brain injury research. State of the art research will be presented dealing with information spanning from basic science to clinical (coma to community) aspects of brain injury.
Abstract portal will open summer 2018.

American Hippotherapy Association Annual Conference (March 23-25, 2019, Lexington Kentucky)
Theme: On the right track.
Call for papers deadline: September 4, 2018.
Call for posters deadline: January 14, 2019.

AOTA Annual Conference & Expo (April 4-7, 2019, New Orleans, Louisiana)
(pre-conference institutes: April 3)
Call For Papers deadline extended to June 12, 2018.

News and Other Resources

Join NICHD Listservs
NICHDevelopments is a monthly listing of NICHD news releases, spotlights, selected funding opportunities, and upcoming scientific meetings, conferences, and events.

NIH News and Links

- Revised NIH Grant Policy Statement
- New Video Provides Overview of New NIH Policies on Human Subjects Research and Clinical Trials
  Do you do research with human participants? This 15-minute video provides a succinct explanation of the various policy changes and what they mean for you.
- NIH's Next Generation Researchers Policy Now Posted
  NIH posted current plans for the Next Generation Researchers Initiative. NIH leadership has reviewed data and deliberated about how best to proceed on their goal to increase the number of NIH-funded early-stage investigators and assure that funded early-stage investigators have a reasonable chance to secure stable funding during the earliest stages of their independent research careers.
- NIH Grant website
- Perspectives on Evidence-based Funding, a talk by NIH Deputy Director for Extramural Research, Mike Lauer on concerns about the hyper-competitive nature of applying for NIH support and other topics.
- Advice from NIH on resubmitting grant applications
  Midcareer Investigator Award in Patient-Oriented Research (Parent K24) https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-14-047.html
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