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Faculty interested in any of these opportunities should contact the OSPR at X7491 or email [k.mitche@usip.edu](mailto:k.mitche@usip.edu). For more information, click on the program title.

## *OSPR Calendar of Events!*

Date	Event	Location	Time
2-Jun-09	<b>IRB Meeting</b> <b>Protocols DUE: May 19</b>	<b>WI 205</b>	<b>6:00 - 7:00pm</b>
16-Jun-09	Progress Reports and Effort Reporting (Lunch)	RH 100	11:30 am - 1:00 pm
7-Jul-09	IRB Meeting Protocols DUE: Jun 23	WI 205	6:00 - 7:00pm

## *Announcements!!!*

### **RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT PROGRAMS!!!**

**We would like to alert you to two new program solicitations and an informational webcast to be held on May 28, 2009.** During the webcast, the National Science Foundation's (NSF's) Academic Research Infrastructure – Recovery and Reinvestment program (the ARI-R<sup>2</sup> solicitation, NSF 09-562) and Major Research Instrumentation – Recovery and Reinvestment program (the MRI-R<sup>2</sup> solicitation, NSF 09-561) will be discussed.

Funds for these programs were appropriated through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009.

NSF's inclusion in the ARRA reflects widespread recognition that short-term and long-term investments in fundamental science and engineering research and education are important for stimulating the American economy and ensuring that the United States continues its leadership in innovation.

Together, these two solicitations are intended to strengthen the nation's academic research capabilities by providing opportunities to develop or acquire research

instrumentation (MRI-R<sup>2</sup>), and to renovate research facilities (ARI-R<sup>2</sup>).

For the Academic Research Infrastructure solicitation, the deadline for letters of intent, mandatory for those institutions wishing to submit full proposals, is July 1, 2009. The deadline for full proposals is August 24, 2009. For the Major Research Instrumentation solicitation, the deadline for full proposals is August 10, 2009. (No letter of intent is required for MRI-R<sup>2</sup>.)

Those interested in submitting proposals are encouraged to carefully review the solicitations and program websites, <http://www.nsf.gov/od/oia/programs/ari/> and <http://www.nsf.gov/od/oia/programs/mri/>. An interactive webcast summarizing both solicitations will be held on Thursday, May 28, 2009 from 1pm – 2:45pm EDT. Those wishing to participate in the webcast should register in advance at <http://www.tvworldwide.com/events/nsf/090528/>. The registration site includes an opportunity to submit, by email, questions about the ARI-R<sup>2</sup> and MRI-R<sup>2</sup> solicitations in advance of the webcast.

Regards,

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## *Health Care*

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### [Recovery Act Limited Competition: NCMHD Community Participation in Health Disparities Intervention Research Planning Phase \(R24\)](#)

**Deadline: June 30, 2009**

This limited competition NIH Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA), supported by funds provided to the NIH under the Recovery Act, solicits applications to support intervention research on health disparities that is jointly conducted by communities and researchers.

The total project period for an application submitted in response to this R24 FOA may not exceed two years. Applications for an R24 award may not request more than \$375,000 direct costs per year. Facilities and administrative costs requested by consortium participants are not included in the direct cost limitation.

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