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**Opportunity #1**

**Center of Excellence for Command, Control and Interoperability  
Department of Homeland Security  
DHS-08-ST-061-002**

**Description:** The U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Science and Technology (S&T) Directorate is requesting applications from accredited U.S. colleges and universities to establish and operate a DHS Center of Excellence (COE) in Command Control and Interoperability (C2I). This COE will address issues related to

1. dynamic, on-demand data processing and visualization;
2. hypothesis-driven data analysis;
3. visualization of structured, unstructured, and streaming data;
4. mathematics of discrete and visual analytics;
5. scalable information filtering and dissemination;
6. visualization and simulation of information;
7. mobile and light-weight information analytics and sharing

This COE will create the scientific basis and enduring technologies needed to analyze massive amounts of information from multiple sources to more reliably detect threats to the security of the nation and its infrastructures and to the health and welfare of its populace. These new technologies will also improve the dissemination of both information and related technologies.

**Link to Full Announcement:**

<http://www07.grants.gov/search/announce.do;jsessionid=LYsVD6DhFLHDvKIZyR2JJ49JpVh0xB7jMw3v9LtYvwfHrhXm8ygh!1039734240>

**Opportunity #2**

**Community Clinical Oncology Program (U10)  
DHHS – NIH  
RFA-CA-08-015**

**Description:** This funding opportunity announcement (FOA) solicits applications from institutions/organizations that propose to contribute to the mission of the NCI-supported Community Clinical Oncology Program (CCOP) Network, which was established in 1983 to develop and conduct state-of-the-art cancer prevention, control, and treatment clinical trials with significant involvement of community oncologists and populations they serve. The CCOP Network mission includes:

1. accelerating development of interventions to prevent and treat cancer and its symptoms by increasing accrual to trials;
2. fostering quality care in the community through adoption of results from clinical trials; and
3. increasing the involvement of minority and underserved patient/participant populations in cancer clinical trials and associated research.

The CCOP Network consists of two types of components, CCOP Groups (also referred to as CCOPs) and CCOP Research Bases. A CCOP Group encompasses community oncologists who accrue patients/participants to NCI-approved clinical trials. These trials are designed and conducted by the CCOP Research Bases, which also manage and analyze the data, and report the results. CCOP Research Bases must be located either at an NCI-supported Clinical Cooperative Group or at an NCI-designated Cancer Center. This FOA utilizes the NIH U10 cooperative agreement award mechanism. The NCI intends to commit up to \$8.2 million in total costs in FY 2009 to fund approximately ten CCOP Group and/or Research Base awards.

**Link to Full Announcement:**

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-CA-08-015.html>

**Opportunity #3****Minority-Based Community Clinical Oncology Program (U10)****DHHS – NIH****RFA-CA-08-016**

**Description:** The Division of Cancer Prevention (DCP), National Cancer Institute (NCI), announces the continuation of the established program known as Minority-Based Community Clinical Oncology Program (Minority-Based CCOP). This program allows practicing oncologists who serve large minority populations to participate in the NCI-sponsored clinical trials. The purpose of this program is to support, as a national resource, research activities of physicians involved in the care of minorities who are eligible to participate in NCI-sponsored cancer prevention, control, and treatment clinical trials. The NCI clinical trials program supports Minority-Based CCOP groups by providing access to clinical trials in cancer centers, major university centers, and community programs. The linkage of minority cancer patients/participants to the current clinical trials network facilitates the transfer of new research advancements in cancer prevention/control/treatment practices to minority communities and their physicians. This FOA will utilize the NIH U10 cooperative agreement award mechanism... The NCI intends to commit up to \$1.1 million in total costs in FY 2009 to fund approximately three awards.

**Link to Full Announcement:**

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-CA-08-016.html>