

# New NIH Funding Opportunities Targeting Opioid Crisis

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The National Institutes of Health (NIH) has released a series of new funding opportunity announcements focused on the opioid crisis which may be of interest to the psychological science community. These opportunities, which are connected to the NIH HEAL (Helping to End Addiction Long-term) Initiative, will fund projects aimed at preventing opioid use disorder, improving opioid use disorder care, determining treatment for opioid use disorder, and helping determine how to manage opioid use disorder.

“NIH leadership from across the agency has been working diligently over the past several months to identify areas of greatest opportunity for research to address the national opioid crisis. The result is more than 30 new funding opportunity announcements ... to solicit the best and brightest research ideas,” [said NIH Director Francis S. Collins, announcing the opportunities.](#)

NIH has set aside over \$850 million in 2019 to fund scientists studying opioid use disorder.

“The NIH HEAL Initiative is taking an ‘all-hands-on deck’ approach to this crisis, garnering expertise from almost every NIH [Institute and Center] to attack the problem from all angles. New HEAL programs reflect the full spectrum of research from basic science to implementation research and across all disciplines,” said Collins.

[To view the new funding opportunities—many of which have deadlines in February 2019—click here.](#)