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## Call for Proposals Released for Junior PHSSR Investigator Awards

*Ten Grants of Up to \$10,000 Each to be Awarded*

LEXINGTON, KY.-Promising junior investigators interested in pursuing a career in public health services and systems research (PHSSR) are encouraged to apply for a [new round of funding](#) aimed at increasing the number of qualified investigators in PHSSR. The [National Coordinating Center for PHSSR's](#) sixth round of [Junior Investigator Awards](#) provides a mentored research experience that gives awardees an opportunity to work closely with prominent PHSSR experts as they launch their careers. These \$10,000 fixed-price awards are available for doctoral candidates or junior faculty who are within three years of their initial faculty appointment. Up to 10 one-year awards are available in this round of funding. Up to five of these awards will be mentored by researchers from member networks of the [Public Health Practice-Based Research Networks \(PBRN\) program](#).

Proposals are due on Wednesday, Dec. 5, 2012, with award notification in mid-January 2013. The awards are scheduled to begin in February/March 2013.

### Additional Information:

- Find out more in a [web conference](#) at 2:30 p.m. Eastern on Tuesday, Nov. 13.
- If you're new to the PHSSR field, learn more about our [research agenda](#) and visit our [PHSSR Key Publications page](#).
- Over the past five years, the National Coordinating Center has awarded more than 30 grants to junior PHSSR investigators. Find out [more](#) about them and their research.
- Questions? Please visit our [FAQ page](#) or send an email to Jay Swacker at [PHSSR212@uky.edu](mailto:PHSSR212@uky.edu).

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## **About the National Coordinating Center for Public Health Services and Systems Research**

The goal of the National Coordinating Center is to grow the field of PHSSR by coordinating current PHSSR investments, supporting real-world applications, and strengthening the capacity of researchers and practitioners. The Center also works to determine the future direction of the field's research initiatives; translate that research into practice; increase the visibility of the work; and attract other funders to the field. For more information, visit [www.publichealthsystems.org](http://www.publichealthsystems.org).