NIH COVID-19 RESOURCES FOR APPLICANTS AND GRANTEES
Guidance for various aspects of research and grant application processes, as well as FAQs and COVID-19 funding opportunities can be found here.

COVID-19 UPDATES HISTORY WEBPAGE
Relevant updates for applicants and grantees by date can be found here.

FAQ DOCUMENT ON COVID-19 FLEXIBILITIES
Policies and programs affecting the grants process can be found here.

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES SPECIFIC TO COVID-19
A list of active and expired funding opportunities across NIH related to SARS-CoV-2/COVID-19 research can be found here.

HHS COVID-19 AWARDS TRACKING WEBSITE
The HHS COVID-19 award tracking website, including data on awards made by all HHS awarding agencies with supplemental appropriations, can be found here.

NIH COVID-19 RESEARCH WEBSITE
A new website provides a central location for trusted, up-to-date, accurate information about research and the NIH’s strategic role in COVID-19 research. Read more here.

NFL TO FUND CANNABIS RESEARCH
The NFL will be awarding $1 million in grants to researchers studying alternatives to opioids, including CBD and medical cannabis. Read more here.

STUDY: MOST DELTA-8 PRODUCTS AREN’T AS ADVERTISED
More than half of the Delta-8 THC products tested in a study by Leafreport contained illegal amounts of Delta-9 THC. Read more here.

NIH LEADERS DETAIL COMMITMENT TO END STRUCTURAL RACISM IN BIOMEDICAL SCIENCE
Scientists, administrators, staff and leaders from the NIH recently set forth a framework to end structural racism across the biomedical research enterprise. Read more here.

DEMOGRAPHICS INFLUENCE STONED DRIVING
A study found in BMC Research Notes found younger, low-income males are more likely to self-report driving after marijuana use and find such behavior acceptable. Read more here.

THE FIRST CASE OF CANNABIS WITHDRAWAL SEIZURES
Healthcare workers at an Israeli hospital documented the first known case of cannabis withdrawal causing seizures in a medical marijuana patient. Read more here.

IMPORTANCE OF COVID-19 VACCINATION FOR THOSE WITH SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS
Dr. Nora Volkow discusses the importance of COVID-19 vaccination for people who use drugs or substance use disorders in a recent blog post. Read more here.
MIRIAM DELPHIN-RITTMON CONFIRMED
The June 24, the Senate confirmed Miriam Delphin-Rittmon to be assistant secretary for mental health and substance use at the Department of Health and Human Services. Read more here.

CANNABIS USE ASSOCIATED WITH HIGHER RISK OF SUICIDAL IDEATION
Cannabis use in young adults is associated with higher rates of suicidal thoughts, planning and attempts, researchers found in a study published in JAMA on June 22. Read more here.

ADOLESCENT MARIJUANA, ALCOHOL USE HELD STEADY DURING PANDEMIC
According to a survey of 12th graders in the United States led by University of Michigan researchers, adolescent marijuana use and binge drinking didn't significantly change during the Covid-19 pandemic, despite record decreases in the substances’ perceived availability. The study, funded by the National Institute on Drug Abuse, also found that nicotine vaping declined among adolescents. Read more here.

THE HILL HOLDS PANEL ON MENTAL HEALTH, ADDICTION AND THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC
On June 22, The Hill held an event entitled, “Mental Health, Addiction, and the COVID-19 Pandemic,” where a panel of policymakers, advocacy group leaders, and medical experts discussed the crises of mental health and addiction during and after the pandemic. Read more here.

LAWMAKERS INTRODUCE CURES 2.0
On June 22, Reps. Diana DeGette (D-CO) and Fred Upton (R-MI) released a discussion draft of the Cures 2.0 Act, legislation aimed at accelerating medical research and patient access to novel therapeutics. Read more here.

WHITE HOUSE SCIENTIFIC INTEGRITY TASK FORCE SEEKS FEEDBACK
The White House Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP) issued a June 28 request for information (RFI) to “inform the [Scientific Integrity] Task Force’s recommendations to ensure robust and accurate evidence-based policymaking and to restore public trust in government.” The RFI is open to the public and responses are due by July 28. Read more here.