

**Announcements:**

- New Grant Funding opportunities:
  - Academic Research Enhancement Award (Parent R15), PA-12-006
  - Targeted Analyses of Jackson Heart Study Data (R01), RFA-HL-13-007
  - Agriculture and Food Research Initiative (AFRI) Request for Applications (RFA) <http://www.nifa.usda.gov/funding/rfas/afri.html>
  - Grand challenges in Global Health (**Due November 17**). <http://www.grandchallenges.org/Explorations/Pages/ApplicationInstructions.aspx>
- NIDDK Will No Longer Participate in the Parent NIH Exploratory Developmental Research Grant (R21) Funding Opportunity Announcement

If you would like submission assistance with the above announcement, or any others, please contact Sarah Gause Epting at [sergause@mailbox.sc.edu](mailto:sergause@mailbox.sc.edu) or 777-6363.

**EVENTS OF INTEREST**

**November 16**, Eat Smart Move More SC Webinar, "Farm Subsidies = High-Fructose Corn Syrup = Obesity: Or do they?" For more information, go to <http://esmmsc.org/blog/2011/11/farm-subsidies-high-fruct%e2%80%8b-ose-corn-syrup-obesity-or-do-they/> for more information.

**November 29**, Eat Smart Move More SC Webinar, "The Built Environment: Health Policy in Concrete". For more information, to go <http://esmmsc.org/blog/2011/11/the-built-environment-health-policy-in-concrete/>

**January 24**, Nutrition Center Seminar Series, Room Pending, 2:00 – 3:00, Special Guest, **Joel Gittelsohn**, PhD, Professor, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health

**February 10**, Nutrition Center Seminar Series, Room Pending, 2:00 – 3:00, **Jeff Campbell**, PhD "Locally produced food purchasing through retail grocery channels: Customer and store environment attributes"

**Nutrition Center Affiliated Scholars Recent Publications:**

**Fram MS**, Belitz K. Occurrence and concentrations of pharmaceutical compounds in groundwater used for public drinking-water supply in California. *Sci Total Environ.* 2011 Aug 15;409(18):3409-17. PMID: 21684580

**Probst JC**, Bellinger JD, **Walsemann KM**, Hardin J, **Glover SH**. Higher risk of death in rural blacks and whites than urbanites is related to lower incomes, education, and health coverage. *Health Aff (Millwood)*. 2011 Oct;30(10):1872-9. PMID: 21976329

Wang JY, **Probst JC**, Stoskopf CH, Sanders JM, McTigue JF. Information asymmetry and performance tilting in hospitals: a national empirical study. *Health Econ.* 2011 Dec;20(12):1487-506. doi: 10.1002/hec.1689. PMID: 22025391

Koorts H, Mattocks C, Ness AR, Deere K, **Blair SN**, **Pate RR**, Riddoch C. The association between the type, context, and levels of physical activity amongst adolescents. *J Phys Act Health.* 2011 Nov;8(8):1057-65. PMID: 22039136

Dowda M, Pfeiffer KA, Brown WH, Mitchell JA, Byun W, **Pate RR**. Parental and environmental correlates of physical activity of children attending preschool. *Arch Pediatr Adolesc Med.* 2011 Oct;165(10):939-44. PMID: 21646573

## November is American Diabetes Month

With nearly 26 million children and adults in American living with diabetes, and another 79 million at high risk for developing type 2 diabetes, the disease is taking a devastating physical, emotional and financial toll on our country. Yet, most Americans don't consider diabetes a serious matter. They feel it is someone else's responsibility; someone else's problem.

November is American Diabetes Month, a time to rally individuals, communities and families to Join the MillionsSM in the movement to Stop Diabetes®. This year, the American Diabetes Association is asking individuals to take a pledge and raise their hand to Stop Diabetes.

Visit [http://stopdiabetes.diabetes.org/site/PageServer?pagename=SD\\_homepage](http://stopdiabetes.diabetes.org/site/PageServer?pagename=SD_homepage) to learn more.

## SNAP Challenge?

Are you up for the SNAP Challenge? The SNAP/Food Stamp Challenge gives participants a view of what life can be like for millions of low-income Americans. Most participants take the Challenge for one week, living on about \$4 per day worth of food – the average food stamp benefit. Challenge participants are forced to make difficult food shopping choices, and often realize how difficult it is to avoid hunger, afford nutritious foods, and stay healthy.

The Nutrition Center's own Hunger Research Grant Team has decided to join other groups across the nation in this SNAP challenge, living on \$4/person/day for food for the next week.

**Our Deputy Director, Sonya Jones, is documenting her experience with the Challenge on our blog – “The Food Chain”. Follow her experience at: <http://uscnutritioncenter.blogspot.com/search?updated-min=2011-01-01T00%3A00%3A00-08%3A00&updated-max=2012-01-01T00%3A00%3A00-08%3A00&max-results=4>**

## INTRODUCTIONS:

### Get To Know Our Nutrition Research Community

Daheia J. Barr-Anderson, PhD, MSPH, will join the faculty as a tenure-track assistant professor in SPH's Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics in January 2012. Accepting this position allows her to return to the department in which she received her MSPH in epidemiology in 1998. She completed her doctoral studies at the University of Maryland in the area of exercise epidemiology in 2006 and her postdoctoral fellowship at the University of Minnesota in public health nutrition in 2008. After completing her masters degree but before pursuing her doctoral degree, she completed a two-year minority health and disability statistics fellowship at the National Center for Health Statistics. Since Fall 2008, she has been a tenure-track assistant professor in the School of Kinesiology at the University of Minnesota.

Dr. Barr-Anderson's research interests focus on physical activity, sedentary behaviors, and obesity prevention in children and adolescents; she has a special interest of examining these behaviors in African American girls. In recent years, she has been involved with school-, community-, and home-based, environmental interventions that incorporate both physical activity and nutrition to achieve healthy outcomes and to decrease racial/ethnic health inequalities. Upon arriving to South Carolina at the beginning of 2012, she hopes to establish relationships with local communities and community agencies to continue this line of research.

