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## May 2017 Funding Opportunities Highlights

**1. Sponsor:** The Gerber Foundation

**Deadline:** Concept paper ideas due on June 1, 2017; December 1, 2017

**URL:** <http://www.gerberfoundation.org/>

**Description:** Supports nutrition-related interventions to improve infant health and development from first year before birth to age three. Projects should have a specific nutrition focus with defined outcome parameters. Of particular interest are projects with broad applicability to the general population offering a substantial promise of meaningful advances in prevention and treatment of diseases. Up to \$350,000 available per award. Novice Researcher Award also available with up to \$20,000 per project. Annual deadlines: 6/1, 12/1 for required concept papers; full proposals by invitation only. Visit the website for details.

**2. Sponsor:** Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Department of Education

**Title:** Personnel Development to Improve Services and Results for Children with Disabilities-Early Childhood Personnel Center

**Deadline:** June 5, 2017

**URL:** [https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2017/04/19/2017-07929/applications-for-new-awards-personnel-development-to-improve-services-and-results-for-children-with?utm\\_campaign=subscription%20mailing%20list&utm\\_source=federalregister.gov&utm\\_medium=email](https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2017/04/19/2017-07929/applications-for-new-awards-personnel-development-to-improve-services-and-results-for-children-with?utm_campaign=subscription%20mailing%20list&utm_source=federalregister.gov&utm_medium=email)

**Description:** The Department of Education is issuing a notice inviting applications for new awards for fiscal year 2017 for Personnel Development to Improve Services and Results for Children with Disabilities – Early Childhood Personal Center, Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number 84.325B. The purposes of this program are to (1) help address State-identified needs for personnel preparation in special education, early intervention, related services, and regular education to work with

children, including infants and toddlers with disabilities; and (2) ensure that those personnel have the necessary skills and knowledge, derived from practices that have been determined through scientifically based research and experience, to be successful in serving those children. Maximum awards: \$2,000,000 for a single budget period of 12 months. *See CCCD website for complete program guidelines and application instructions.*

**3. Sponsor:** Brady Education Foundation

**Title:** Program Development or Program Evaluation

**Deadline:** Stage 1 due date: 8/1/2017, 12/1/2017

**URL:** <http://bradyeducationfoundation.org/applicationguidelines.html>

**Description:** The Brady Education Foundation seeks to close the achievement/opportunity gap for children at risk for poor school outcomes due to environmental factors associated with living in poverty. The Foundation pursues its mission by promoting collaboration between researchers and educators via the funding of program development and program evaluations in education. Currently, the Foundation is particularly focused on the development and evaluation of programs that are consistent with a strength-based approach and show promise of being feasible, effective and sustainable.