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Research Newsletter

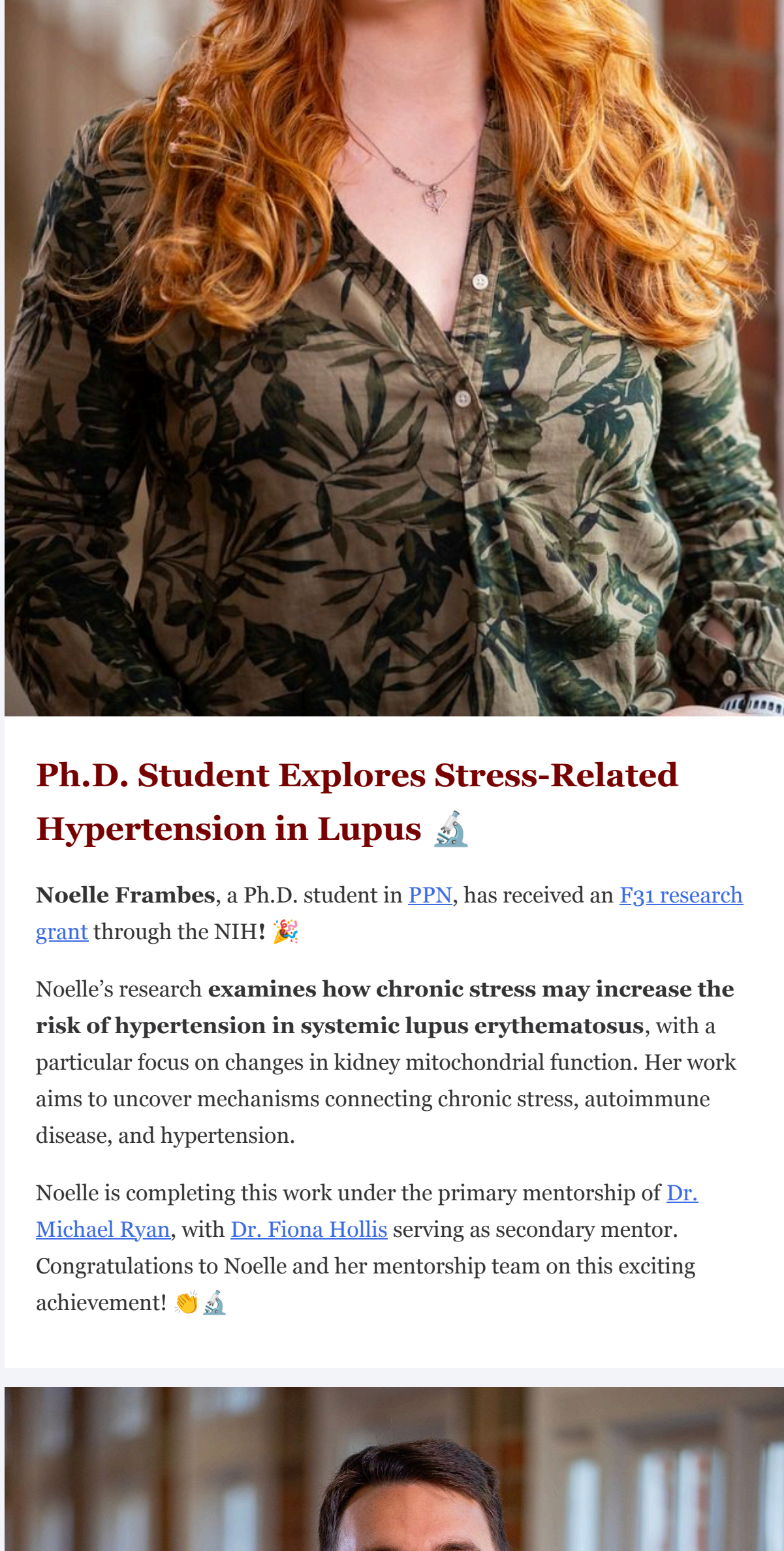
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👋 Welcome to the October 2026 edition of the Research Roundup where we share important updates and research news to keep you in the know.

In this edition, learn about the accomplishments of our Floyd School of Medicine students, check out the new funding navigator tool, and browse conferences and meetings relevant to your work.

Research Spotlights

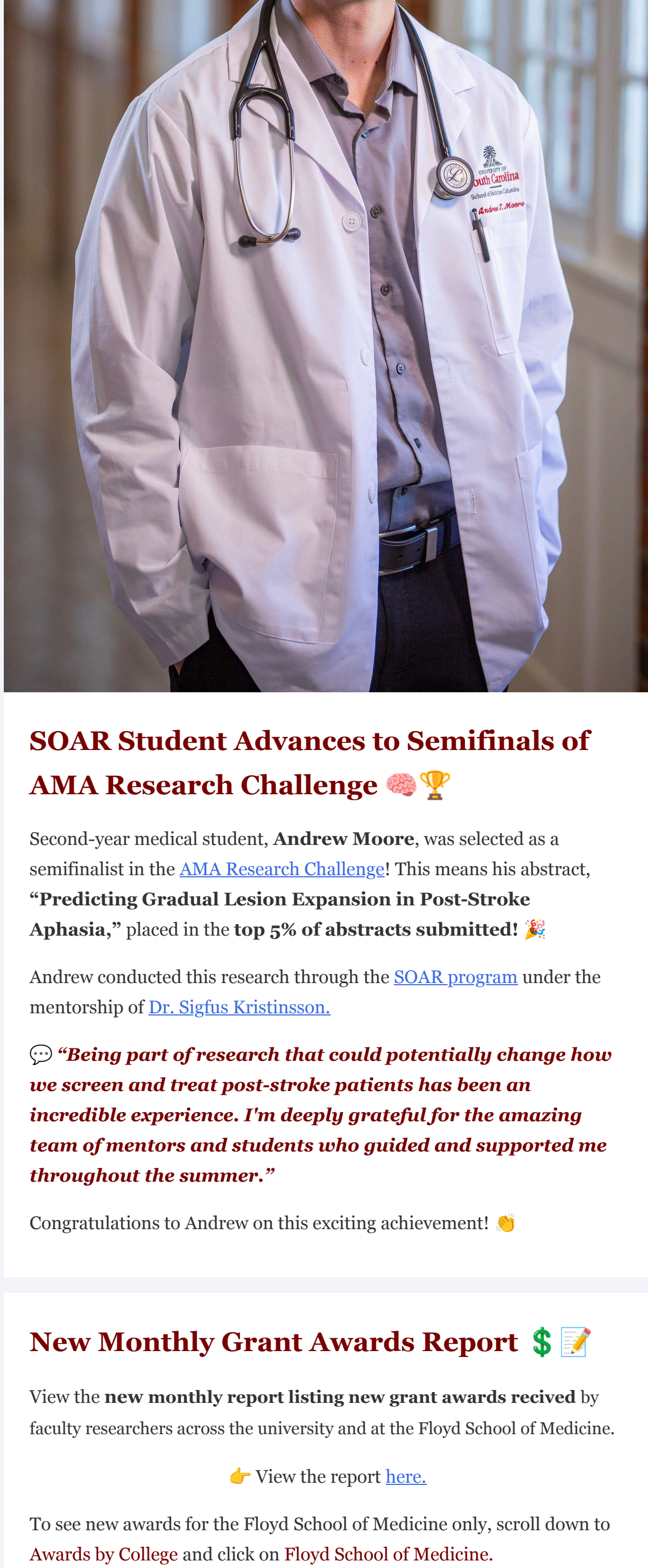


Ph.D. Student Explores Stress-Related Hypertension in Lupus 🧬

Noelle Frambes, a Ph.D. student in [PPN](#), has received an [F31 research grant](#) through the NIH! 🎉

Noelle's research **examines how chronic stress may increase the risk of hypertension in systemic lupus erythematosus**, with a particular focus on changes in kidney mitochondrial function. Her work aims to uncover mechanisms connecting chronic stress, autoimmune disease, and hypertension.

Noelle is completing this work under the primary mentorship of [Dr. Michael Ryan](#), with [Dr. Fiona Hollis](#) serving as secondary mentor. Congratulations to Noelle and her mentorship team on this exciting achievement! 🥳🧬



SOAR Student Advances to Semifinals of AMA Research Challenge 🧠🏆

Second-year medical student, **Andrew Moore**, was selected as a semifinalist in the [AMA Research Challenge](#)! This means his abstract, **“Predicting Gradual Lesion Expansion in Post-Stroke Aphasia,”** placed in the **top 5% of abstracts submitted!** 🎉

Andrew conducted this research through the [SOAR program](#) under the mentorship of [Dr. Sigfus Kristinsson](#).

💬 **“Being part of research that could potentially change how we screen and treat post-stroke patients has been an incredible experience. I’m deeply grateful for the amazing team of mentors and students who guided and supported me throughout the summer.”**

Congratulations to Andrew on this exciting achievement! 🥳

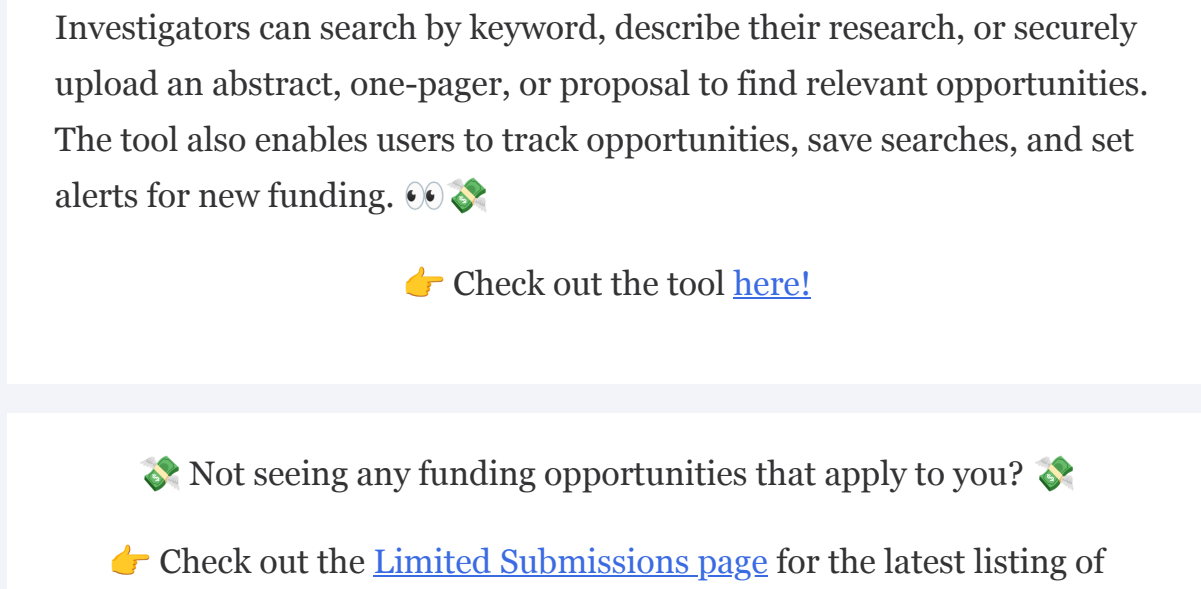
New Monthly Grant Awards Report 💰📝

View the **new monthly report listing new grant awards** received by faculty researchers across the university and at the Floyd School of Medicine.

👉 View the report [here](#).

To see new awards for the Floyd School of Medicine only, scroll down to **Awards by College** and click on **Floyd School of Medicine**.

Funding Opportunities



Check out the New Funding Navigator Tool

The [Carolina Grants and Innovation Hub](#) is excited to introduce a new AI-based tool to help investigators **find funding opportunities tailor-made for their work**.

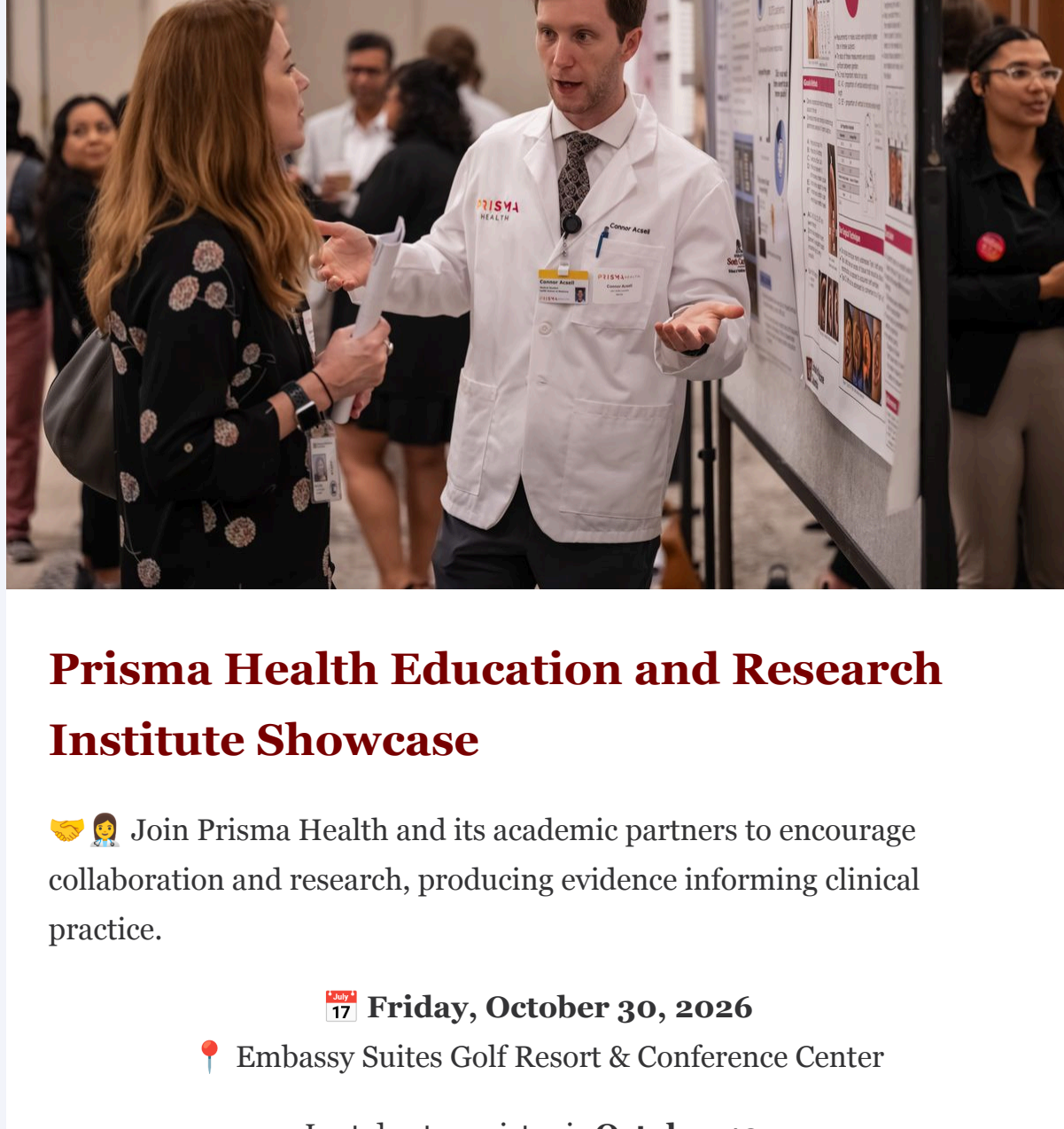
Investigators can search by keyword, describe their research, or securely upload an abstract, one-pager, or proposal to find relevant opportunities. The tool also enables users to track opportunities, save searches, and set alerts for new funding. 🧐💡

👉 Check out the tool [here!](#)

💡 Not seeing any funding opportunities that apply to you? 💡

👉 Check out the [Limited Submissions page](#) for the latest listing of limited funding opportunities.

Upcoming Conferences & Meetings



Prisma Health Education and Research Institute Showcase

👋🧑🏫 Join Prisma Health and its academic partners to encourage collaboration and research, producing evidence informing clinical practice.

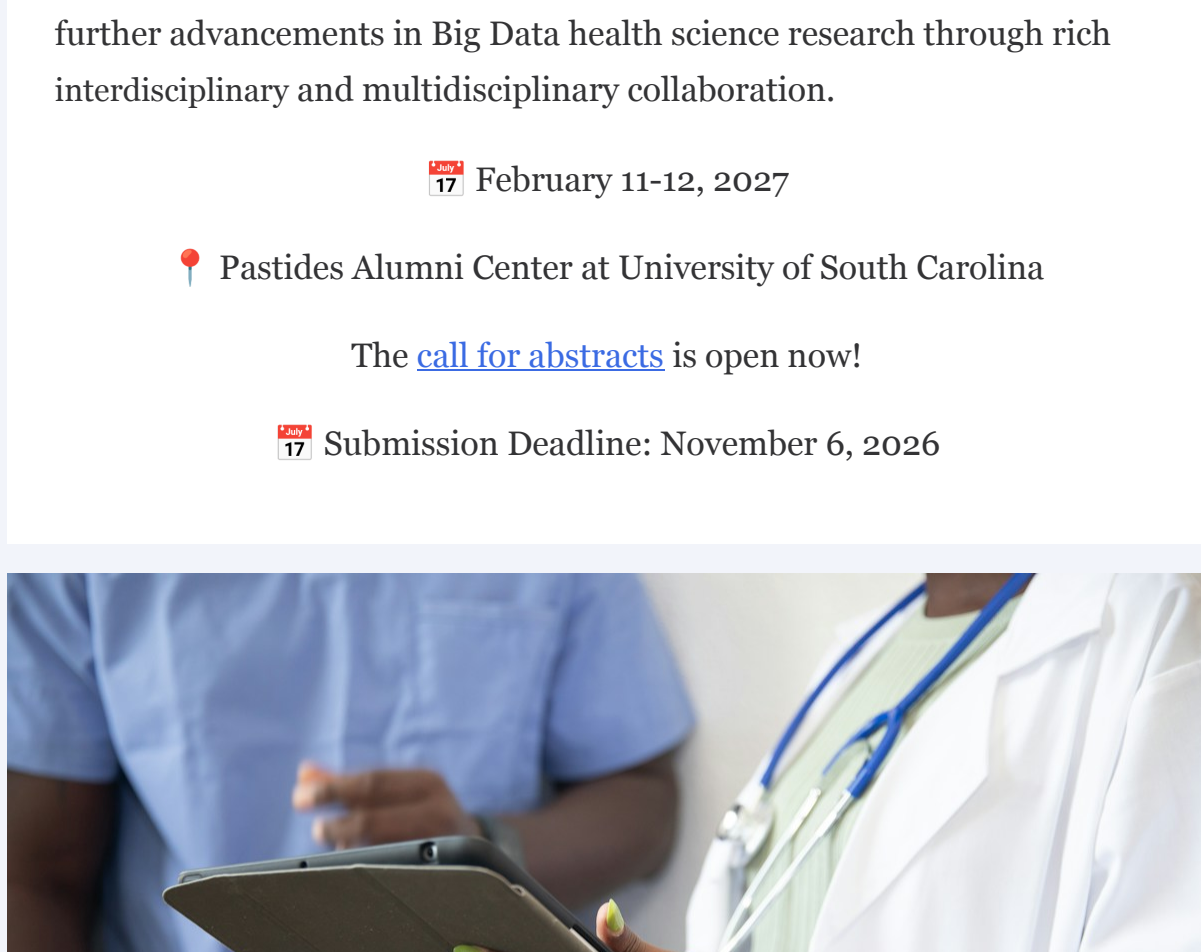
📅 **Friday, October 30, 2026**

📍 Embassy Suites Golf Resort & Conference Center

Last day to register is **October 19**.

👉 Register [here](#).

Interested in serving as a Reviewer? Learn more or sign-up [here](#).



National Big Data Health Science Conference

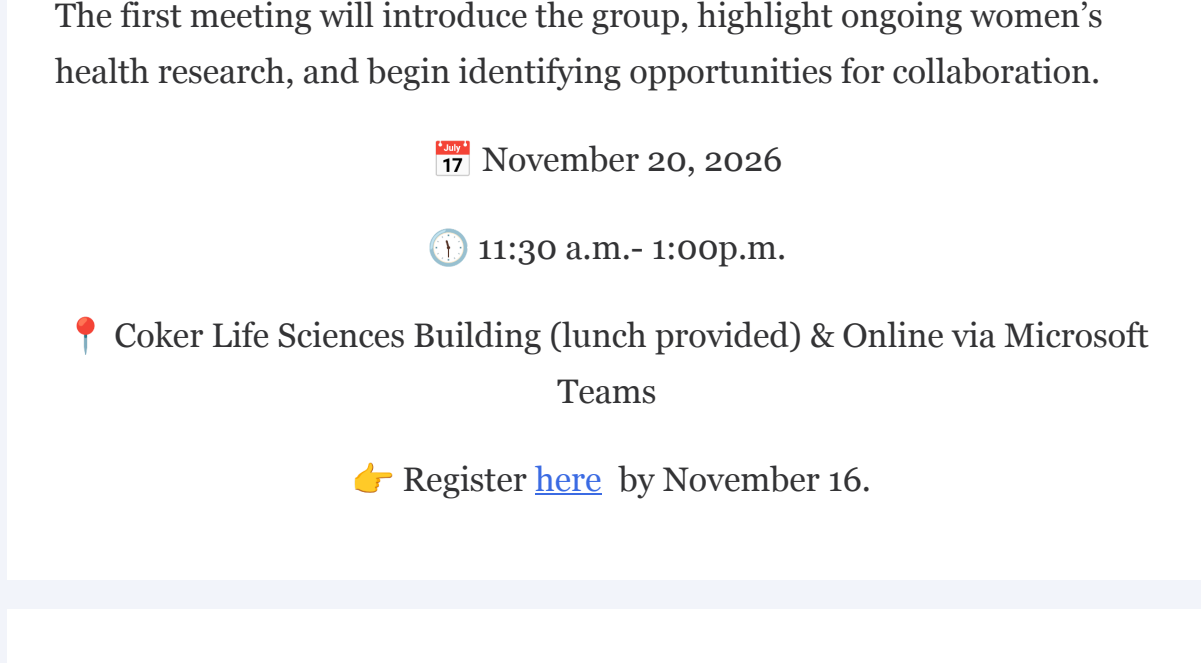
The goal of the [Big Data Health Science Conference](#) is to stimulate further advancements in Big Data health science research through rich interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary collaboration.

📅 **February 11-12, 2027**

📍 Pastides Alumni Center at University of South Carolina

The [call for abstracts](#) is open now!

📅 **Submission Deadline: November 6, 2026**



Interested in Advancing Women’s Health Research?

The new [ClinTrUSC Women’s Health Research Affinity Group](#), aims to bring together investigators from across disciplines who share an interest in advancing clinical and translational research in women’s health.

The first meeting will introduce the group, highlight ongoing women’s health research, and begin identifying opportunities for collaboration.

📅 **November 20, 2026**

🕒 **11:30 a.m.- 1:00p.m.**

📍 Coker Life Sciences Building (lunch provided) & Online via Microsoft Teams

👉 Register [here](#) by November 16.

Refine Your Skills



ClinTrUSC Professional Development Core Research Seminar Series

Partnering with Associations, Foundations & Government for Research

Join [ClinTrUSC](#) as we explore strategies for building successful partnerships and diversifying research funding streams.

📅 **November 4, 2026**

🕒 **11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.**

👉 Register to join the meeting [here](#).

Prisma Health Research Education Series

Biospecimens in Research: The Role of Biorepositories

Join [Prisma Health](#) as they explore topics within the areas of human research protections, research/study management, and research support interests. Each session is an opportunity to learn more about processes and operations as they relate to the clinical research field.

📅 **October 27, 2026**

🕒 **12:30 - 1:30 p.m.**

👉 Register to join the meeting [here](#).

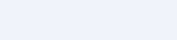
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