Good Luck – Pending Grants


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Recently Released Research Grant Opportunities

The following table lists RFAs, PAs, and PARs recently released by the National Institutes of Health. If any of these opportunities are of interest to you, contact the Department of Sponsored Programs or Research Support at ext. 2860. Grant guidelines with submission deadlines and information for these and other opportunities are available via the NIH at [http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/index.html](http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/index.html).

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All About Grants Podcasts: Preparing a Successful Grant Application

The NIH All About Grants podcast series continues with new episodes on preparing a successful grant application and keeping up with programmatic updates from NIH. Click on the hyperlinks to access podcasts.

- Information and Advice for Preparing an AREA Application – [MP3](#) (12 min) | [Transcript](#)
- Selecting Study Section Reviewers – [MP3](#) (10 min) | [Transcript](#)
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Should You Contact an NIH Program Officer Before You Apply?

Yes. Early in the planning stage of your project, it is highly recommended you contact an NIH program officer. You can find them by contacting the ATSU Sponsored Programs office, talking to colleagues, or by checking out NIH websites.

Program officer contact information is listed in section seven of all NIH funding opportunity announcements (FOA). Investigators can also search individual institute or center websites, or search for your area of science in RePORTER and see which program officers might be the right fit.

Program staff are your primary source of information for scientific, funding, and programmatic matters. It is recommended that you e-mail them first to make the best use of your time and theirs. They can advise you regarding:

- An institute/center’s potential enthusiasm about your research area
- Potential application topics
- The appropriate FOA through which to apply
- Investigator-initiated research: topics of interest and new scientific directions
- Additional information about an initiative such as a request for applications or program announcement
- Requirements for special areas such as human subjects and vertebrate animal research
- The appropriate study section to request in your cover letter

The Dangers in Delay:
As the Electronic Submission Process Improves, Potential Dangers in Submitting An Application Near the Deadline Increase

One of the most fundamental steps you can take to ensure consideration of your application is to make certain the funding agency receives it successfully. This means applying well before the due date. While this seems obvious, it is more important now than ever.

As people become more confident in the ability of eRA to process applications quickly, NIH is seeing an increasing backlog of “last minute” applications on submission due dates. For a recent December due date, more than 1,000 applications were submitted in the final hour. Here is the rub. This rush of submissions can create a potential backlog in processing; checking for errors can take up to four hours. Remember that a submission must be error free before it can be sent on for review.

What does this mean for you? Take this possible scenario…

- The application is due at 5 p.m.
- You submit at 4 p.m. on the due date.
- Processing takes an hour and 45 minutes.
- Two errors were identified.

You are now 45 minutes past the submission deadline with no chance to correct the errors that were identified. Not good. NIH’s late policy will not allow for the consideration of this application. Had you submitted the day or two before, you would have had plenty of time to correct the errors and submit an error-free application.

NIH wants your applications… Submit early.
NIH Unveils A New Look & Video Tutorial for RePORT

When trying to find out about government programs, not many things compare to NIH RePORT. RePORT supplies comprehensive information about NIH programs, provides interesting tools, and gives you the information you want in the ways you want it. In March, NIH rolled out a new and improved design for REPORT that helps users find what you are looking for faster. To witness firsthand the power of RePORT and RePORTER, NIH is creating a series of video tutorials. The first in this series helps users figure out how your research fits into NIH’s grant portfolio. Click on the image below to access the tutorial. Once the link opens, you may need to click on the play button to start. Additional tutorials are planned, but until then, you can always keep up-to-date on what’s happening on RePORT by reading the ReSOURCE.

Meet, Share, & Learn at the 2012 Regional Seminars

Space is still available for the 2012 NIH Regional Seminars on Program Funding and Grants Administration but act quickly. The first seminar is April 16-18, in Indianapolis. The second and final seminar for 2012 is June 20-22, in Washington, DC. NIH Regional Seminars serve the NIH mission of providing education and training for the next generation of biomedical and behavioral scientists. These seminars are intended to:
- Demystify the application and review process
- Clarify federal regulations and policies
- Highlight current areas of special interest or concern

NIH Regional Seminars involve approximately 35 NIH and HHS staff who are brought to a central location in order to educate, share, and listen to attendees over the course of two days. These seminars are your opportunity to make direct contact with NIH policy officials, grants management, program and review staff, eRA Commons experts, as well as representatives from the Office for Human Research Protections (OHRP), and Office of Research Integrity (ORI). In addition, take advantage of networking opportunities to learn from fellow attendees from around the world.

The seminars and optional eRA workshops are appropriate for grants administrators, new and early stage investigators, researchers, graduate students, and anyone interested in the grants administration process. This year, NIH is offering more networking opportunities than ever before...additional Institute/Center representation with one-on-one meeting opportunities and inclusion of sessions on NIH niche programs such as the AREA/R15 program, a research award mechanism that is better-suited for many ATSU investigators than other traditional NIH grant programs.

Indianapolis, Indiana
- April 16: Optional eRA Hands-on Computer Workshops
- April 17-18 (Tuesday - Wednesday): Seminar
- Event Website and Registration

Washington, D.C.
- June 20: Optional eRA Hands-on Computer Workshops
- June 21-22 (Thursday - Friday): Seminar
- Event Website and Registration

NIH Announces Reduced Salary Allowance for Funded Grants

For the first time ever, the salary allowance for NIH funded grants has been reduced; it is now restricted to Executive Level II of the Federal Pay Scale (see NOT-OD-12-035). Since this reduction was included in the law signed December 23, 2011, implementation of the lower level is effective with FY2012 awards where the initial Issue Date of the award is on/after 12/23/2011. For FY2012 awards issued on/before December 22, 2011 (competing and non-competing), the effective salary limitation remains at Executive Level 1, $199,700. For additional details, please see the salary cap summary and the time frames associated with salary caps at http://grants.nih.gov/grants/policy/salcap_summary.htm.

The NIH AREA (R15) Program has started a Facebook page so they can bring you up-to-date information about the program and better interact with the AREA community. “Like” them on Facebook!