

Office of Research News & Notes

Federal Agency Updates

NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH (NIH)

Recent Policy Changes Impacting January 25, 2019 Grant Application Submissions

External Nexus posted on January 8, 2019 a listing of some recent policy changes that will be impacting grant application submissions for due dates on or after January 25, 2019. The policies listed include the following topics:

- Inclusion of Individuals Across the Lifespan as Participants in Research Involving Human Subjects
- Review Criteria Updates
- Changes to the Academic Research Enhancement Award (R15) Program
- Expiration of the Academic Research Enhancement Award (AREA) Parent Announcement, PA-18-504
- Reinstatement of NIH SBIR Direct-to-Phase II Authority
- New Funding Opportunity Announcements Targeting Basic Experimental Studies with Humans
- Harassment and Discrimination Protections in NIH Training Applications
- Implementation of the Final Rule on the Federal Policy for the Protection of Human Subjects
- Application Instruction Updates

Please see the [NIH Extramural Nexus Post](#) or the specific Notices for more details.

Notice of Fiscal Policies in Effect for FY2019

The NIH issued [NOT-OD-19-031](#) on November 27, 2018 which provides guidance about the NIH Fiscal Operations for FY2019, including information on FY2019 Funding Levels, Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Awards (NRSA), Next Generation Researchers Initiative Policy, and Salary Limits.

Please see [NIH Notice NOT-OD-19-031](#) for more details.

FY2019 Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Award (NRSA) Stipends, Tuition/Fees, and Other Budgetary Levels

The NIH issued [NOT-OD-19-036](#) on November 27, 2018. This Notice establishes stipend levels for fiscal year FY2019 Kirschstein-NRSA awards for undergraduate, predoctoral, and postdoctoral trainees and fellows, in addition to the Training Related Expenses and the Institutional Allowances for predoctoral and postdoctoral trainees and fellows, and the Tuition and Fees for all educational levels.

Please see NIH Notice [NOT-OD-19-036](#) for specific details.

Reminder: Check Funding Opportunity Announcements (FOA) for New Related Notices 30 Days Before Submission

The NIH reminds the research community to check [Funding Opportunity Announcements](#) for any new related notices within 30 days of submission deadline. These added notices may impact submission with information related to changes in key dates, updates to application instructions, notices of new policies, and other “need to know” information.

Please see NIH [Extramural Nexus post](#) for more details.

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION (NSF)

Revised NSF Proposal & Award Policies and Procedures Guide (PAPPG)

NSF released a revised version of the [Proposal & Award Policies & Procedures Guide](#) (PAPPG), (NSF 19-1).

Information About the Government Shutdown for NSF Proposers and Grantees

Posted on the [NSF website](#) is information that addresses the various assistance and contract-related policy and systems issues that may arise during a lapse in appropriations of the Federal Government.

OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

Government Shutdown Information

Office of Management and Budget [website](#) contains contingency plan FAQs and specific links for the various federal agencies that are currently affected.

Office of Research Update

Release of Award Activations in the MyFunding Module Coming Soon

The PERIS™ Team is currently conducting training sessions for the Activation of Awards in the MyFunding Module. The projected date for rollout is February 18, 2019. Please sign-up for training if you are responsible for activating awards in your department or unit. More details will be forthcoming from the PERIS™ Team, including additional training sessions that will be announced next week.