

# Office of Research News & Notes

## Funding Agency Updates

### New National Science Foundation (NSF) Term and Condition on Harassment

The NSF recently announced a new [Term and Condition](#) (Term) relating to harassment. The Term, effective on October 22, 2018, requires institutions to notify NSF of any finding/determination or administrative action relating to sexual harassment, other forms of harassment, or sexual assault by a PI or Co-PI within ten (10) business days.

Please read the [University's Plan](#) to meet the Term's requirements.

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### National Institutes of Health (NIH) Answer Grant Application Questions in Videos

The NIH Center for Scientific Review (CSR) created videos to help applicants get insight into the peer review process. Included in one of the videos are 10 experts from the NIH CSR answering the top 10 peer review questions that applicants ask.

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

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### Update on NIH Extension Policy for Early Stage Investigator (ESI) Status

The NIH has a [policy](#) to fund more early career investigators and to enhance biomedical research workforce diversity. Although the NIH considers requests for extension of the ESI period for various reasons, close to 50% of the ESI extension requests are related to childbirth. Therefore, effective immediately, the NIH will approve an ESI extension of one year for childbirth within the ESI period.

Please see [NIH Notice NOT-OD-18-235](#) for more details.

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## University News

### Health Sciences Library System Offers Session Focusing on Creating Data Management Plans (DMPs)

The Health Sciences Library System (HSLs) is conducting a session, "Crafting a Data Management Plan", on October 31, 2018 from 11:00am – 12:00pm in the Scaife Hall Falk Library, Classroom 2. The description of the session is:

"What is a Data Management Plan? This session will answer that question, as well as describe the steps to creating a DMP, tools that can help with DMP development, and post-award management issues. University of Pittsburgh-specific guidelines and support resources will also be shared."

[Click here](#) to register for this session.