# **Office of Research News & Notes**

## **University News**

### **RCCO Workshop for Basic Biomedical Researchers**

The <u>Research Conduct and Compliance Office</u> (RCCO) will be offering a symposium on August 14, 2019 to aid new faculty, students, and staff in initiating regulatory-compliant basic biomedical research at PITT. The session includes presentations from key research regulatory offices, as well as the Division of Laboratory Animal Resources.

The symposium is open to faculty across the University, as well as students, postdocs, and staff.

Click here to register.

### **New PERIS™ MyFunding Flowcharts**

The PERIS™ team has created flowcharts to assist users with understanding the process for new awards, and amendments/modifications to awards. To view the flow charts, click the links below.

- To view the Process for Activating a New Award flowchart, click here.
- To view the Process for Amending/Modifying an Award with budget changes flowchart, click here.
- To view the Process for Amending/Modifying an Award without budget changes, click here.

To stay up-to-date on PERIS™ alerts and information, please sign up for the PERIS™ listserv.

# **Funding Agency Updates**

### **Impacts of Auto-Forwarding National Science Foundation Emails**

To comply with Domain-based Message Authentication, Reporting & Conformance (DMARC), NSF is alerting those who receive NSF emails about potential impacts of auto-forwarding email. NSF has observed that some external organizations or individuals use email routing practices (such as auto-forwarding to personal accounts) that cause messages to be blocked from distribution because they are flagged as potentially fraudulent by the required DMARC protocols. If your email is auto-forwarded to another account, such as a personal email account, you may not receive emails from NSF in that forwarded account.

For more information about NSF and DMARC, click here.

#### **Research.gov Support for NSF Collaborative Proposals**

Effective June 24, 2019, NSF applicants can prepare and submit full, research collaborative proposals with subawards in <a href="Research.gov">Research.gov</a>. This is in addition to the existing capability (since April 2018) to prepare and submit full, research non-collaborative proposals in Research.gov.

NSF is encouraging the research community to use the new Research.gov proposal system in lieu of FastLane and provide feedback <a href="here">here</a>.

For more information about the changes, click here.

### National Institutes of Health Announce New Webform for Reporting Sexual Harassment

On June 14, 2019, NIH announced a new <u>webform</u> that allows for anyone in the biomedical research community to share information related to a potential case of sexual harassment directly and, if desired, anonymously, to NIH. The establishment of this webform, in tandem with other actions, is taken as part of the NIH's continuing commitment to address the underlying culture that enables sexual harassment to take place.

Visit the Open Mike post or NIH website for more information about how NIH is addressing sexual harassment.