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NIH, AHRQ, and NIOSH to Eliminate Error Correction Window for Due Dates On or After January 25, 2011

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/not-od-10-123.html>

Beginning with due dates on or after January 25, 2011, NIH, AHRQ and NIOSH will eliminate the error correction window from the application submission process. NIH will continue to make accommodations for Federal system issues that threaten or prevent on-time submission of an individual application, if appropriately documented and verified by NIH support staff. Moreover, NIH still will determine and implement contingency plans on an as-needed basis for widespread system issues and natural disasters. **The elimination of the error correction window does not affect the two-business-day application viewing window.**

Proposal Preparation Costs Allowable as a Direct Charge for Mentored Career Development Awards

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-11-002.html>

The National Institutes of Health (NIH) announced that it is allowable for **effort devoted to proposal preparation** for subsequent research support to be charged as a direct cost to a mentored CDA. This can be considered part of the awarded effort commitment of the CDA or an increase to that commitment within the allowable salary provided as applicable.

New Time Limit for NIH Resubmission Applications

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-10-140.html>

NIH announces the implementation of a new time limit between the submission of a New, Renewal, or Revision application and a Resubmission (A1 version) of that application to the National Institutes of Health (NIH). **The NIH will not accept a Resubmission that is submitted later than thirty-seven months after the date of receipt ("receipt date") of the initial New, Renewal, or Revision application.**

NIH, AHRQ, CDC, FDA & NIOSH to Require Use of Updated Electronic Application Forms in 2011

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-11-007.html>

NIH, AHRQ, CDC, FDA and NIOSH are transitioning to updated electronic application forms packages (ADOBE-FORMS-B1). **For deadlines on or before May 7, 2011, most applicants (except F, K, T and D) may use either ADOBE-FORMS-B or ADOBE-FORMS-B1 forms. For deadlines after May 7, 2011, all applicants will be required to use ADOBE-FORMS-B1 forms.**

***“End of Two-Day
Correction Window
effective
January 25, 2011”***

Updated Electronic Application Forms Required for F, K, T and D Submissions with Due Dates of January 25, 2011 and Beyond

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-11-008.html>

NIH, AHRQ, CDC announce that **applicants targeting due dates on or after January 25, 2011 MUST** use a new version of the SF424 (R&R) application packages (**ADOBE-FORMS-B1**) for the following programs:

- Individual National Research Service Awards (Fs)
- Individual Research Career Development Award Programs (Ks)
- Institutional Training and Career Development Programs (Ts) and Other Training Grants (Ds)

The current SF424 (R&R) Application Guides will be expanded to include special instructions for applicants using the new forms to apply for awards under F, K, T and D activity codes.

Notice of Need to Expire and Reissue Fellowship Applications (Fs) to Comply with Language in New Application Forms

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-11-018.html>

NIH and AHRQ announce that **Fellowship (F) Funding Opportunity Announcements (FOAs) with due dates after the January 7, 2011 AIDs date will be expired** by the NIH Office of Extramural Research (OER) **as of January 8, 2011** because the standard language in the FOA does not match the new Adobe B1 application form requirements.

Existing "F" FOAs will be reissued by NIH and AHRQ to include the new language. The five NIH "F" Parent Announcements will also be reissued in time for the April 8, 2011 due date. (Please see the link above to see the list of the FOAs affected.)

***“NSF and NIH Update
Grant Policy Guides –
October 2010”***

Updated Application Guides and Non-competing Continuation Progress Report Instructions Posted

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-11-022.html>

The National Institutes of Health is reposting application and progress report instructions to accommodate recent changes in policy, provide instructional clarifications and update hyperlinks or correct typographical errors. No new policy or requirements are implemented that have not been previously announced in the NIH Guide for Grants and Contracts.

Publication of the Revised NIH Grants Policy Statement (Rev. 10/01/2010): Policy Changes, Clarifications and Documents Enhancements

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-11-003.html>

The NIH has published a revised NIH Grants Policy Statement, **applicable to grants and cooperative agreements with start date beginning on or after October 1, 2010**. Summary of significant changes is provided by chapter. Guide is available at: http://grants.nih.gov/grants/policy/nihgps_2010/index.htm

No-Cost Extension Enhancement in eRA Commons

eRA Commons now allows grantees to request an extension of **one to twelve months (in one-month increments)** using a new drop down menu. The new project end date is calculated based on the selected timeframe of the extension request.

New Procedures and Instructions for Submitting Annual Progress Reports for Multi-Year Funded (MYF) Awards

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-11-010.html>

NIH announces new procedures and instructions for submitting annual progress reports for multi-year funded awards. Multi-year funded (MYF) awards are where the project period and budget period are the same and are longer than one year. **These instructions must be followed for all MYF awards with an annual progress report due on or after 12/22/2010.** For MYF awards with an annual progress report due prior to 12/22/2010, grantees should continue to follow the specific instructions of the NIH Institute or Center (I/C) issuing the award.

Information on the content of the MYF progress report, and instructions on how to submit the report through eRA Commons, is posted at:

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/policy/myf.htm>

NSF Revises Proposal and Award Policies and Procedures Guide, Effective January 18, 2011

<http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/policydocs/pappguide/nsf11001/>

The National Science Foundation has published a revised version of the NSF Proposal and Award Policies and Procedures Guide (PAPPG), NSF 11-1, **effective for proposals submitted on or after January 18, 2011.**

Did you know that...

NIH is further streamlining SNAP? NIH announced that progress reports due on or after August 1, 2010; require the use of eRA Commons eSNAP module. SNAP provisions have been changed such that:

- IRB and IACUC review dates are not required in progress reports; and
- Reports are due 45 days instead of 60 days before the anniversary date.

Type 4 ARRA Applications are eligible for eSNAP? As is with other eligible applications, Type 4 ARRA applications that are eSNAP eligible display in Commons as a hyperlink to the *eSNAP Menu* screen on the *Manage eSNAP* tab.