NIH Fundamentals and Need to know Resources

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Goal: To give you the basics that this session will build upon
Commonly asked top 10 Questions

1. Where’s the money?
2. How do I get some?
3. Should I contact NIH before applying?
4. How long does it take to get funding?
5. What’s the right type of grant for me?
6. Where is my “go-to” place for info?
7. How do I track my application?
8. Got Funded! Now What?
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10. Final Pieces of Advice?
1. Where is the Money?
Understanding NIH

*NIH is the steward of medical and behavioral research for the Nation*

Their Mission: to acquire new knowledge to help prevent, detect, diagnose, and treat disease and disability from the rarest genetic disorder to the common cold…….
27 Institutes and Centers (IC)

Each with different:
- mission & priorities
- budget
- funding strategy

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Finding and Understanding Funding Opportunity Announcements (FOA)

• A publicly available document by which a Federal Agency makes known its intentions to award discretionary grants and cooperative agreements.

• Organization and content of FOA is defined by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB).

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| **Programs Announcements (PAs)**      | • **Encourages** applications for a new or ongoing extramural activity or program  
• Formerly termed “unsolicited applications  
• **PAS** - PA with set-aside funds  
• **PAR** - PA with special receipt, referral and/or review considerations |
| **Requests for Applications (RFAs)**  | • Solicit applications in a well-defined scientific area to accomplish specific program objectives  
• Indicate the amount of set-aside funds and anticipated number of awards |
| **Parent Announcements**              | • NIH – wide FOA enabling applicants to submit an “investigator initiated” application for a specific activity code  
• Some ICs may not participate in all parent announcements  
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2. How Do I Get Some?
Where to Start

• Develop your research idea
  – Should be important (have high impact)
  – Needs to align with an IC mission

• Identify a funding opportunity announcement (FOA)
  – If no FOA specific to your area, look for “parent” announcement

• Talk with NIH staff about your idea and where it fits

• Write a strong proposal that addresses review criteria
Where to Start (cont.)

• Complete the required registrations *(Start now!)*
  – UAB is registered as an Institution in multiple systems
  – Investigators *must* register in the eRA Commons

• Develop the application
  – *Carefully read* the funding opportunity and application instructions!!
  – Download application from funding opportunity announcement

• Learn about the electronic application submission process well before the application due date
Understand Roles and Responsibilities

- What is your role?

- What role do other people play?
  - Authorized Organizational Representative (OSP)
  - Principal Investigator
  - Administrator

- Coordination and respect for each other’s roles is key

- Understand processes and timelines for grant related activities
3. Should I Contact NIH Before Applying?
Do I Contact NIH Before Applying?

Yes!

Mandatory

• Application with budget > $500,000 direct costs for any single year
• R13 Conference Grants

Optional

• When RFAs request a Letter of Intent

Always Recommended

• When you think of applying for any grant
4. How Long Does It Take to Get Funded?
How Does a Grant Get Funded?

Great Research Idea!

Center for Scientific Review Assigns to IC/ Study Section

Study Section Reviews for Scientific Merit

Institute Evaluates for Relevance

Institute Director Makes Funding Decision

Investigator Performs the Research

Institution Submits Application

Allocates Funds

Advisory Councils & Board Recommends Action
Ready for Award – When?

• All pre-award issues are resolved
  – Budget Negotiation
  – Certification of Education on Human Subjects
  – Animals and Human Subject Protection Issues
  – Other Support Documentation

• Application to award takes 9-10 months
5. What’s the Right Type of Grant for Me?

- Research Projects
- Small Business
- Training & Career Development
- Research Centers
## Career Stages of Funding Programs

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| **POST-DOCTORAL**          | • Institutional Training Grant (T32)  
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# Career Stages of Funding Programs

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6. Where is my “go-to” place for Info?
• Contact the Pediatric Research Office (PRO):
  cperry@uab.edu

• NIH Home page
  http://www.nih.gov/

• Grants.gov Home page
  http://www.nih.gov/grants-funding

• Check out grants process overview
  http://grants.nih.gov/grants/about_grants.htm

• Grants Process At-A-Glance:
  http://grants.nih.gov/grants/grants_process.htm#process
## Grants Process AT-A-Glance

### Planning

**Planning:** Applicant should start Early, collect preliminary data, and determine internal deadlines

### Writing

**Writing:** Applicant often begins writing application several months prior to application due date

### Submitting

**Submitting:** Applicant organization submits most applications to NIH through Federal portal, Grants.gov

### Receipt and Referral

Applications compliant with NIH policies are assigned for review by the Division of Receipt and Referral in the Center of Scientific Review (CSR)

CSR assigns application to an NIH Institute/Center (IC) and a Scientific Review Group (SRG)

Scientific Review Officer (SRO) assigns application to reviewers and readers

### Peer Review

**Initial Level of Review:** SRG members review and evaluate applications for scientific merit

**Impact Score:** Available to Principal Investigator on eRA Commons

**Summary Statement:** Available to Principal Investigator on eRA Commons

**Second Level of Review:** Advisory council/board reviews application

### Award

**Pre-Award Process:** IC grants management staff conducts final administrative review and negotiates award *

**Notification of Award:** NIH Institute/Center director makes funding decisions. IC staff issues and sends Notice of Award (NoA) to applicant institution/organization

**Congratulations!** Project period officially begins

* NIH requests additional information needed **Just-in-time** for the award
NIH uses activity codes to differentiate the wide variety of research-related programs. Institutes and Centers (ICs) may vary in the way they use activity codes, not all ICs accept applications for all types of grant programs or they apply specialized eligibility criteria. Look closely to the Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOAs) to determine which IC participates and the specifics of eligibility.

- Research Grants (R series)
- Career Development Awards (K series)
- Research Training and Fellowships (T and F series)
- Program Project/Center Grants (P series)
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Federal wide portal for finding grant opportunities

www.grants.gov
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Applying Electronically
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Grants Policy & Guidance
Grants policy statements, general policy notices, grant awards and NIH appropriations, and other resources.
What can I find in the NIH Guide?

- NIH specific funding opportunity announcements
- Forms and Applications
- Due dates
- How to apply electronically
- NIH policy notices
- NIH Guide Search Subscription
  - Provide your email address to get notified when future postings match your search
- Other announcements:
  - Changes in FOAs
  - NIH response to natural disasters or electronic system problems
Get a sense of who and what NIH funds?

- Which ICs fund research like yours?
- Awards trends
- Organizational funding information

Potential collaborators:
- NIH-funded workforce data
- NIH staff contacts
- NIH grantees in your area
- Success rates
Starting the Process

• Applications submitted to NIH must be in response to a Funding Opportunity (FOA)

• Information in the FOA should be reflected in the application such as:
  – Period of support (number of years for support)
  – Dollar limit of support ($100,000 TC or $100,000 DC)
  – Salary cap level (currently $183,300)
  – Type of budget submission (modular or detailed)
    • Modular budgets: Grant applications with a budget request (DC) of $250,000 or less. Request are submitted in modules of $25,000
    • Detailed budgets: Grant applications with a budget request of $250,000 or more. Actual costs are requested in the appropriate category

• Submit the application by the due date
When are applications due?
http://www.nih.gov/grants-funding

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*Effective. Sept 5, 2015 - N/A for SBIR/STTR Applications using Standard Due Dates

NOTE: See Key Dates section of funding opportunity announcement to determine if AIDS dates apply.
## Review and Award Cycles

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**Notes:**

The actual date of the Advisory Council may occur in the month before or after the month listed. For example, some ICs may actually hold the January Advisory Council meeting in February or the October Advisory Council meeting in September.

Awarding components may not always be able to honor the requested start date of an application. Before incurring any pre-award obligations or expenditures applicants should be aware of NIH policy governing pre-award costs prior to receiving a Notice of Award. See the NIH Grants Policy Statement.

*Advisory Council Round for Cycle I applications (Cycle III for SBIR/STTR) may be August or October, and their earliest project start date may be September or December respectively.*
Submission Policy Page

http://grants.nih.gov/grants/funding/submissionpolicies.htm

Answers common questions on:

- On time submission
- Standard due dates falling on a weekend or holiday
- Late applications
- Post submission application materials
- Time limits for resubmitting application
- Resubmission timelines for new investigator R01 applications
Submission Policy for OSP

- Draft applications *must* be uploaded in the OSP drop-box seven (7) business days prior to the sponsor deadline.

- Electronic copies of the UAB Extramural Support Checklist and RPL must be emailed to osp@uab.edu.

- Final applications *must* be uploaded in the OSP drop-box three (3) business days prior to the sponsor deadline.

- Submission *must* be accepted by Grants.gov with a time stamp on or before 5:00 pm local time on submission deadline date.

- Errors/Warnings *must* be corrected prior to the submission deadline date and time.
eRA Commons Errors/Warnings

Errors *do* stop the processing of the application and *must* be corrected.

Warnings *do not* stop the processing of the application and are corrected at the discretion of the applicant.
7. How do I track my application?

Signing officials (SOs), Principal Investigators (PIs), and Assistants (ASST) can track application status in eRA Commons.
In Commons you can find:

– Application Image
– Application status
– Assignments (institute, review group)
– NIH staff contacts (SRO, PO, and GMS)
– Scores
– Summary statement (PI only)
– Notice of Award
– Links to tools for reporting, JIT, Research performance progress report (RPPR), no cost extension, and more…. 
Just-In-Time (JIT)

Allows applicant organization to submit additional grant application information after the completion of the peer review, and prior to funding.

- Other support for all key personal
- Revised budget (if applicable)
- Institutional Review Board (IRB) approval date
- Human Subject Education
- Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) approval date

Applicants should never submit JIT info until specifically requested by the GMS. A JIT link in eRA Commons or an automated email are not indications that a grant award will be made.
8. Got Funded! Now What?
You’ll Receive a Notice of Award (NoA)

- Legally binding document
- Identifies grant number, grantee, PD/PI
- Establishes funding level and period of approved support
- Sets forth terms and conditions
- Included NIH Contact Information for assigned Program Director & Grants Management Specialist (GMS)
- Available in eRA Commons
- Grantee indicates acceptance of the terms and conditions of the award by drawing down funds from the Payment Management System (PMS)
Post Award Management

• Annual Progress Report – Research Performance Progress Report (RPPR) submitted via eRA Commons no later than 45 days prior to the listed start date

• SNAP (Streamlined Non-competing Award Process) RPPRs
  – Change in Other Support
  – Change in effort for Key Personnel
  – Report unobligated balance greater than 25%

• NON-SNAP RPPRs
  – Requires a detailed budget
  – Annual Federal Financial Report
  – Other specifics depends on the mechanism, be sure to follow the terms and conditions of the award
Close-out Reports

- Final Progress Report (FPR)
- Final Federal Financial Report (FFR)
- Final Invention Statement (FIS)

The Uniform Grants Guidance has increased the reporting due dates from 90 days to **120 days**.

*Failure to submit timely and accurate closeout reports may affect future funding!*
9. Not Funded! Now What?

RESUBMISSION AVENUE

NEW PROPOSAL LANE
Regroup

- Take a deep breath
- Read the Summary statement
- Read it again
- Talk with your NIH program official
- Evaluate your options
  - Revise and submit again?
  - Choose a new research direction?
10. Final Pieces of Advice?
Remember

• Do your research
  – Understand the NIH process, policies, and expectations
  – Ask Questions

• Build Support
  – Learn who can help in the PRO office
  – Get answers

• Reach out
  – Contact me gchhabra@uab.edu
  – Stay connected and monitor what is happening at NIH
A Rule of Thumb

Whenever you are contemplating and are uncertain about any grant related questions, please consult:

- Pediatrics Research Office (PRO)
- NIH awarding component Grants Management officer or Specialist
Finding Help?

Web Sites for NIH, OSP, and eRA Commons Help Desk
Resources

Links of interest:

– Electronic Research Administration:  
  http://era.nih.gov/

- Research Performance Progress Report (RPPR):  
  http://grants.nih.gov/grants/rppr/

– Applying Electronically:  

– NIH Grants Web site (Office of Extramural Research):  
  http://grants.nih.gov/grants/oer.htm

– NIH General Information:  
  http://grants.nih.gov/grants/policy/nihgps_2010/nihgps_ch1.htm#cost_sharing
Resources (contd.)

- Office of Sponsored Programs (OSP):
  http://www.uab.edu/osp/
- General Information:
- Responsible Personnel List:
  http://www.uab.edu/research/administration/offices/CIRB/Pages/Responsible-Personnel-Lists.aspx
- UAB Extramural Checklist:
- UAB Expedited Checklist:
- OSP Drop-Box:
  https://irap-apps.ad.uab.edu/OSPDropbox/Pages/Login.aspx
Finding Help

eRA Commons Help Desk:

Hours: Mon.–Fri., 7 a.m. – 8 p.m. Eastern
Web: http://itservicedesk.nih.gov/era
Toll-free: 1-866-504-9552
Phone: 301-402-7469
TTY: 301-451-5939

Don’t forget to get a help desk ticket number if your issue isn’t immediately resolved.
Thank you!!