Research Administration
Brown Bag

March 28, 2016
11:45 am – 12:45 pm
Amphitheater I (S2-102)

Agenda

• Upcoming Release of eSDFI
• FY17 Increase to Fringe Benefit Rate
• FCOI Training Requirement
• NIH Update
  – NOT-OD-16-081: NIH & AHRQ Grant Application Changes for Due Dates On or After May 25, 2016
  – NOT-OD-16-064 Impact of Grant Application Form Update (FORMS-D) on Late and Continuous Submission Applications
  – NOT-OD-16-080: Clarifications & Consolidated Biosketch Instructions and Format Pages Available for Application Due Dates On or After May 25, 2016
  – Update on Rigor and Transparency – RPPR
  – Update on Authentication of Key Biological and/or Chemical Resources
• Proposal & Progress Report Statistics
  – Review of OSP Report Methodology
eSDFI Form Release Plan

• OSP and IT will deploy the electronic version of the SDFI form this week.

• The eSDFI is accessible at:
  – http://w3.umassmed.edu/ResearchForms/SDFI
  – Link will also be accessible via the OSP forms page and the FCOI forms page.

• An admin panel has been created for departments users to view the status of their SDFI forms:
  – http://w3.umassmed.edu/ResearchForms/SDFI

Sample eSDFI Form
FY17 Increase to Fringe Benefit Rate

- The University has been notified by the State Comptroller's Office that the state's fringe benefit rate for FY17, July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017, is expected to increase from the current 31.89% to 36.34%. This will impact all UMass employees paid from grant funds and all grant proposals going forward.

- To comply with this notice which projects a required 4.45% increase in the state's fringe rate effective July 1, 2016, all new grant proposals should immediately incorporate the new fringe benefit rate.

- The Office of Sponsored Programs has updated the Fact Sheet, Cayuse and the internal budget worksheet to reflect the 36.34% fringe benefit rate.

FCOI Training Requirement

- UMMS's new FCOI training requirement was implemented in August 2012.
- Per regulatory requirement each Investigator must complete training at least every four years.
- Most UMMS Investigators completed their training after August 2012 and will need to retake the training again beginning in August 2016 to comply with the four year retraining requirement.
- The FCOI Implementation Presentation from 2011 (hyperlink below) provides a good overview of the FCOI regulatory requirements if anyone needs a refresher on the requirements.
- OSP is unable to set up awards for those projects where Investigators have not met the training requirement.
- Please check the Training Completion Report available on the OSP FCOI page to see when your Investigators will need to retrain.
- The report is available at:
NOT-OD-16-081: NIH & AHRQ Grant Application Changes for Due Dates On or After May 25, 2016

- Released 3/25/16, this Notice reminds the biomedical and health services research communities of announced changes to grant application policies and instructions for due dates on or after 5/25/16.
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  - New Font Guidelines & Biosketch Clarifications

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NOT-OD-16-064: Impact of Grant Application Form Update (FORMS-D) on Late and Continuous Submission Applications

- If your PI is eligible for submission under NIH's late, continuous submission, and system issue policies, you will need to pay special attention to the cutover dates to the new forms.
- Use the forms and instructions for the intended due date (not actual submission date). The intended due date is the date listed in the Application Due Date or AIDS Application Due Date row of the Key Dates Table in the funding opportunity announcement (FOA).
- The intended due date is the date specified in the key dates table of the announcement.
- NOTE: The continuous submission policy only applies to R01, R21 and R34 activities that follow the standard submission schedule. The dates specified for these three activities are the intended due dates for continuous submission applications.
- Be sure to use the FOA with the FORMS-C application package if applying to an intended due date before May 25.
- In some cases, the FOA will include both a FORMS-C and FORMS-D application package and you will need to choose FORMS-C.
- In other cases, FOAs will be closed on the last due date prior to May 25 and reissued with new FOA numbers and FORMS-D application packages for due dates on or after May 25. We expect to reissue all Parent announcements, as well as all fellowship, and individual career development FOAs.
- FOAs that close early will be configured to allow submissions for 14 days after the close date to accommodate late, continuous submission and system issue policies.
- If your intended due date is the May 7, 2016, AIDS due date, you must complete your submission using a FORMS-C application package by May 23, 2016.
- NOTE: This is an earlier cutoff date for continuous submission applications than is typical – plan accordingly.
- Be sure to use an FOA with a FORMS-D application package if submitting to an intended due date on or after May 25, 2016.
### NOT-OD-16-080: Clarifications & Consolidated Biosketch Instructions and Format Pages Available for Application Due Dates On or After 5/25/16

- This Notice informs the biomedical and health services research communities that in accordance with NOT-OD-16-004, the biosketch instructions and format pages have been updated. The updated instructions and formats should be used for application due dates on or after May 25, 2016.
- Updates to the biosketch instructions will include:
  - A consolidated biosketch format and instructions for research, institutional research training, institutional career development, research education, fellowship, and dissertation awards, as well as diversity supplements.
- Clarified instructions:
  - Indicate that a URL for a publication list is optional and, if provided, must be to a government website (.gov) like My Bibliography.
  - Allow publications (peer-reviewed and non-peer-reviewed) and research products to be cited in both the personal statement and the contributions to science sections.
  - State that graphics, figures and tables are not allowed.
  - Remove the requirement that the past 3 years of research support are listed in order of relevance.
  - Option to add other names used to author research products in section A.
  - Research products can include conference proceedings such as meeting abstracts, posters, or other presentations.
  - Research products that are under development, such as manuscripts that have not yet been accepted for publication, can be mentioned in the narrative sections. However, they cannot be cited as one of their citations.
- The FORMS-D application instructions will be posted on March 25, 2016. They will have a single set of biosketch instructions and a link to the new format page for use with all mechanisms. This information will also be available from the NIH Forms page.

### Updates to NIH RPPR to Address Rigor and Transparency

- **NOT-OD-16-031 (released 12/15/15)**
  - This notice informed the biomedical and health services research community of planned changes to the to address Rigor and Transparency.
  - OSP has begun receiving requests from NIH program officials for additional information on rigor and transparency:

  From: Program Official @ NIH  
  Sent: Friday, March 25, 2016 12:00 PM  
  To: UMass Principal Investigator, research.funding@umassmed.edu  
  Subject: RPPR for R01X0055555-01

  Dear UMass PI,

  I am in the process of reviewing the progress report for the above grant. However, I will need additional information on Rigor and Transparency per current instructions for the respective sections as follows:

  **8.2 What was accomplished under these goals?**
  Include the approaches taken to ensure robust and unbiased results.

  **8.4 What do you plan to do for the next reporting period to accomplish these goals?**
  Discuss efforts to ensure that the approach is scientifically rigorous and results are robust and unbiased.

  Please submit this information to me through your institutional official by April 1, 2016. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

  Sincerely,

  Program Official, Ph.D.
Update on Authentication of Key Biological and/or Chemical Resources

- Per NOT-OD-16-011 - Applications due on or after 1/25/16, except for training grants and individual fellowships must include a new PDF attachment related to the authentication of key biological and/or chemical resources.
- NIH has provided clarification on what to do if the research strategy does not propose use of key biological and/or chemical resources:
  - In this scenario, an authentication plan does not need to be included and no attachment is necessary.
- OSP guidance had been to upload a document in Cayuse and state N/A to take care of the warning notification. Given NIH’s clarification the upload document is no longer necessary.
- Please note this in your proposal review process.

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How does OSP compute the on-time metric?

OSP’s formula is:

The Requested Return Date minus The Date Received = (RRD – DR)

1. The date received counts as a full day irrespective of whether the proposal packet is received at 8:00 am or 5:00 pm.
2. OSP’s formula accounts for weekends and School holidays.
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Completion of this form is mandatory for all proposals. This information is required to comply with the University of Massachusetts Medical School Policy for Promoting Objectivity in BioMedical Research and applicable federal and state laws and regulations regarding timely and proper disclosure of financial interests.

Principal Investigator Name: Luke Salsich
Principal Investigator Title: PO
Department: Anesthesiology
Sponsor: IT
Project Start Date: 03/24/2016
Project End Date: 03/25/2016
Project Title: Test 3-24-16

Will Non-University Investigators be responsible with the PI or Co-PI for the design, conduct, or reporting of the activities associated with the project (e.g., subrecipients, consultants, collaborators, others with significant responsibilities)? If yes, UMMS must be assured that the Investigators' home institution(s) have policies that comply with the sponsor's regulations. Such assurance should be provided along with the participant's Letter of Intent/Commitment to the project at the submission stage.

The Principal Investigator has not identified any non-University Investigator types for this project.

Instructions:
The Project Principal Investigator is responsible for determining who meets the definition of an 'Investigator' on their project and certifies that this form provides:
1. a complete disclosure of all Investigators responsible for the design, conduct, or reporting of activities associated with this project
2. an accurate report of the current state of the named Investigator's disclosure in the institution's electronic reporting system.

The Principal Investigator and all disclosing Investigators agree to update the UMMS COI system annually during the period of the award and within 30 days of discovering or acquiring a new Significant Financial Interest.

For the purposes of this disclosure, Investigator is defined as any person, regardless of title or position, who is responsible for the design, conduct, or reporting of research, or proposed for such funding, which includes subawardees and may include consultants and unpaid collaborators.

By signing below each Investigator (1) certifies that this form provides an accurate report of whether there are any Significant Financial Interests related to their Institutional Responsibilities, and (2) acknowledges responsibility to provide a complete disclosure of all Significant Financial Interests reasonably related to their Institutional Responsibilities prior to award receipt, as those interests change, and on an annual basis during the project award period.

Each investigator acknowledges they have reviewed the disclosure form instructions and definitions in the links at the top of the SDFI form.

Institutional Responsibilities means an Investigator's professional responsibilities on behalf of the Institution, including activities such as research, teaching, clinical or other professional practice, academic activities, scholarly events, institutional committee memberships, and service on panels such as Institutional Review Boards or Data and Safety Monitoring Boards.

Signatures for the Principal Investigator and all disclosing Investigators appear on the next page.

This disclosure form conforms with the requirements of PHS FCOI regulations available at PHS FCOI regulations.
Principal Investigator Disclosures & Certifications

Do you, your spouse/domestic partner or dependent children have any Significant Financial Interests (SFI) related to the Investigator's Institutional Responsibilities? Please answer below.

Do you have a Significant Financial Interest (SFI) to report? Yes ☐ No ☐
If yes, investigator confirms the UMMS COI SYSTEM has been updated and is current.
Principal Investigator: Luke Salsich
Title: PO
Sign:

Disclosures & Certifications for UMass Personnel Identified as 'Investigators'

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Disclosing Investigator: Luke Slaznicjк
Title: IT Pro
Sign:
Reminder: NIH & AHRQ Grant Application Changes for Due Dates On or After May 25, 2016

Notice Number: NOT-OD-16-081

Key Dates
Release Date: March 23, 2016

Related Announcements
- NOT-OD-16-080 - Clarifications and Consolidated Biosketch Instructions and Format Pages Available for Applications with Due Dates On or After May 25, 2016
- NOT-OD-16-068 - Plan to Move to Updated Forms (FORMS-D) for Administrative Supplement, Successor-In-Interest and Change of Institution Opportunities
- NOT-OD-16-064 - Impact of Grant Application Form Update (FORMS-D) on Late and Continuous Submission Applications
- NOT-OD-16-012 - Implementing Rigor and Transparency in NIH & AHRQ Career Development Award Applications
- NOT-OD-16-011 - Implementing Rigor and Transparency in NIH & AHRQ Research Grant Applications
- NOT-OD-16-009 - NIH & AHRQ Change Font Guidelines for Applications to Due Dates On or After May 25, 2016
- NOT-OD-16-008 - NIH & AHRQ Announce New Form for PHS Awarding Component and Peer Review Requests
- NOT-OD-16-007 - NIH & AHRQ Announce Transition to New Research Training Table Formats for 2016 and Upcoming Release of the xTRACT System
- NOT-OD-16-006 - Simplification of the Vertebrate Animals Section of NIH Grant Applications and Contract Proposals
- NOT-OD-16-004 - NIH & AHRQ Announce Upcoming Changes to Policies, Instructions and Forms for 2016 Grant Applications

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National Institutes of Health (NIH)
Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ)

Purpose

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- **New Font Guidelines - NOT-OD-16-009**
- **Biosketch Clarifications - NOT-OD-16-080**

Note: Appendix policy changes originally mentioned in NOT-OD-16-004 are on hold until further notice and will not be part of the initial roll-out of FORMS-D instructions.

**Availability of FORMS-D Forms and Instructions**

New restructured FORMS-D application guides will be available by March 25, 2016.

In most cases, FORMS-D application packages will be available at least 60 days prior to the first due date on or after May 25, 2016. During a short transition period, applicants may need to choose between FORMS-C and FORMS-D application packages/opportunities based on due date.

See NOT-OD-16-064 for special instructions for continuous submission and late applications.

See NOT-OD-16-068 for transition plan for administrative supplement, successor-in-interest and change of institution opportunities.

**Resources:**

- High-level list of FORMS-D form changes
- Annotated Form Set for NIH Grant Applications
- Do I Have the Right Form Version For My Application?
- Form Update 2016 - Frequently Asked Questions

Inquiries
Impact of Grant Application Form Update (FORMS-D) on Late and Continuous Submission Applications

Notice Number: NOT-OD-16-064

Key Dates
**Release Date:** February 12, 2016

Related Announcements
NOT-OD-16-081
NOT-OD-16-004

Issued by
National Institutes of Health (NIH)

Purpose

As stated in NOT-OD-16-004, all NIH applications submitted for due dates on or after May 25, 2016 must use updated (FORMS-D) application packages. FORMS-C application packages must be used for due dates before May 25, 2016.

Due to the content and policy changes implemented in FORMS-D application packages, NIH plans to make a clean transition from FORMS-C to FORMS-D to ensure applications reviewed together follow the same instructions.

If you are eligible for submission under our late, continuous submission, and system issue policies, you will need to pay special attention to the cutover dates to the new forms.

- Use the forms and instructions for the intended due date (not actual submission date). The intended due date is the date listed in the Application Due Date or AIDS Application Due Date row of the Key Dates table in the funding opportunity announcement (FOA).

- The intended due date is the due date specified in the key dates table of the announcement.

  **NOTE:** The continuous submission policy only applies to R01, R21 and R34 activities that follow the standard submission schedule. The dates specified for these three activities are the intended due dates for continuous submission applications.

- Be sure to use the FOA with the FORMS-C application package if applying to an intended due date before May 25.
  - In some cases, the FOA will include both a FORMS-C and FORMS-D application packages and you will need to choose FORMS-C.
  - In other cases, FOAs will be closed on the last due date prior to May 25 and reissued with new FOA numbers and FORMS-D application packages for due dates on or after May 25. We expect to reissue all Parent announcements, as well as all fellowship, and individual career development FOAs.

  FOAs that close early will be configured to allow submissions for 14 days after the close
date to accommodate late, continuous submission and system issue policies.

- If you apply directly to Grants.gov (rather than using ASSIST or a system-to-system solution), you will need to download your application package or create your Grants.gov workspace by the intended due date since the FORMS-C application packages will no longer be visible using the Grants.gov user interface.

- If your intended due date is the May 7, 2016, AIDS due date, you must complete your submission using a FORMS-C application package by May 23, 2016.

**NOTE:** This is an earlier cutoff date for continuous submission applications than is typical – plan accordingly

- Be sure to use an FOA with a FORMS-D application package if submitting to an intended due date on or after May 25, 2016.

**Resources**

- [Do I Have the Right Form Version For My Application?](#)

**Inquiries**

Please direct all inquiries to:

NIH Grants Information
Email: grantsinfo@od.nih.gov (preferred method of contact)
Telephone: 301-435-0714

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**Note:** For help accessing PDF, RTF, MS Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Audio or Video files, see Help Downloading Files.
Clarifications and Consolidated Biosketch Instructions and Format Pages Available for Applications with Due Dates On or After May 25, 2016

Notice Number: NOT-OD-16-080

Key Dates
**Release Date:** March 23, 2016

Related Announcements
[NOT-OD-16-081](#)
[NOT-OD-16-004](#)

Issued by
National Institutes of Health ([NIH](#))
Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality ([AHRQ](#))

Purpose

This Notice informs the biomedical and health services research communities that in accordance with [NOT-OD-16-004](#), the biosketch instructions and format pages have been updated. The updated instructions and formats should be used for application due dates on or after May 25, 2016.

Updates to the biosketch instructions will include:

- A consolidated biosketch format and instructions for research, institutional research training, institutional career development, research education, fellowship, and dissertation awards, as well as diversity supplements.

Clarified instructions:

- Indicate that a URL for a publication list is optional and, if provided, must be to a government website (.gov) like My Bibliography.
- Allow publications (peer-reviewed and non-peer-reviewed) and research products to be cited in both the personal statement and the contributions to science sections
- State that graphics, figures and tables are not allowed.
- Remove the requirement that the past 3 years of research support are listed in order of relevance.
- Option to add other names used to author research products in section A.
- Research products can include conference proceedings such as meeting abstracts, posters, or other presentations.
- Research products that are under development, such as manuscripts that have not yet been accepted for publication, can be mentioned in the narrative sections. However, they cannot be cited as one of their citations.

The FORMS-D application instructions will be posted on March 25, 2016. They will have a single set of biosketch instructions and a link to the new format page for use with all mechanisms. This information will also be available from the [NIH Forms](#) page.

**Additional Information**

We encourage researchers to try the Science Experts Network Curriculum Vitae ([SciENev](#)) as a tool to build their biosketches.
SciENcv pulls information from available resources making it easy to develop a repository of information that can be readily updated and modified to prepare biosketches for submission to multiple agencies. A YouTube video provides instructions for using SciENcv. Support for fellowship application biosketches will be available in SciENcv later this year. See FAQs for additional information.

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I. Principal Investigator Information

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**Requested Return Date:** 02/04/2013

II. Proposal Information

**Type:** New  
**CFDA#:** 12.190  
**Additional Attribute:** GRANT  
**Purpose:** BASIC  
**Foreign Component:** N  
**Proposal Title:** Vectored Delivery of Oligoclonal Antibodies for Protection Against Ewing  
**Sponsor:** NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH  
**Proposed Period Start Date:** 09/01/2013  
**Proposed Period End Date:** 08/31/2014  
**Proposed Period:** 12 months  
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**Keywords:** Adequate Space Available: Y

III. Subawardees/Subrecipients

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Does Sponsor Limit Indirect Costs? N  
Has an Indirect Cost Waiver been Requested? N  
Are InKind/Voluntary Costs Included? N

V. Co-Investigators

**Name:** Gao, Guangping  
**Department:** Gene Therapy Center

Signature (UMASS Staff only): 

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