

Colleagues,

As we are transitioning to remote operations in these unprecedented times, I'd like to communicate a process change for submitting requests to OSP. Our intent is to keep business moving, however there are situations that may arise in the next couple of weeks that we have not encountered and yet have not addressed with the following. Your flexibility and collaboration is very much appreciated.

In the meantime, please do let your [portfolio owners](#) know of any upcoming business or planned proposal submissions. \*\*NIH did send out information/guidance on late proposals due to Coronavirus – which can be found at the bottom of this message.

- Send all requests (proposals, RPPRs, BRPAs etc.) to [research.funding@umassmed.edu](mailto:research.funding@umassmed.edu). They will be logged and distributed to the portfolio owner from this centralized place. You will then have direct communications with your OSP point of contact.
- We will accept electronic signatures on the forms as well as email approvals.

**\*\*NIH information:**

- [NIH LATE APPLICATION POLICY Due to Public Health Emergency for United States for 2019 Novel Coronavirus \(COVID-19\)](#)  
(NOT-OD-20-082)  
National Institutes of Health
- [General Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQs\) - Proposal Submission and Award Management Related to COVID-19](#)  
(NOT-OD-20-083)  
National Institutes of Health
- [Flexibilities Available to Applicants and Recipients of Federal Financial Assistance Affected by COVID-19](#)  
(NOT-OD-20-086)  
National Institutes of Health

Should you have questions, please feel free to contact me.

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