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# PURSUIT

RESEARCH INFORMATION BULLETIN Vol. 19, No. 1, Jan/Feb 2005

## NIH RAISES SALARY CAP

Effective January 1, 2005, Executive Level I salary rose from \$175,700 to \$180,100. All NIH budgets submitted from this point forward should use the new cap of \$180,100. The ability to obtain the highest salary can be lost if the NIH budget is not filled out properly. When a PI's institutional base salary exceeds the capped amount, place the actual salary, rather than the current limit, in the institutional base salary box of the table on Form Page 4 of the PHS 398 form. Then, if the salary limit is raised between the time of submission and award, the new salary limit will be applied to the formerly reported salary. Complete details can be found at <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-05-024.html>.

## CORRECTION

As announced in the November/December 2004 issue of Pursuit, the Faculty Foreign Travel Awards program will be held again this year. Eligible applicants are limited to assistant and associate professors only. Complete information about the program and the application process can be found at <http://www.wfubmc.edu/or>, the deadline is **February 25, 2005**.



## ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND SAFETY HAS MOVED.....

to 239 Hawthorne Road (the brick building right across from Babcock Auditorium). All EH&S employees are located at the new address. The main telephone and fax numbers for EH&S remain the same (716-9375, Fax 716-0588).



## CONCERN LINES

ANIMAL CARE & USE -  
716-5899  
RESEARCH CONDUCT -  
716-0338  
COMPLIANCE -  
1-877-880-7888

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### REGULATORY COMMITTEE DEADLINES

ANIMAL CARE AND USE  
COMMITTEE - FEBRUARY 4, AND  
MARCH 4, 2005

INSTITUTIONAL REVIEW BOARD -  
NOON - FRIDAYS

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### INTRAMURAL RESEARCH SUPPORT COMMITTEE DEADLINES

\*REGULAR AND INTERIM -  
APRIL 15, 2005

\* Clinical studies or other  
research involving humans  
are encouraged

## RESEARCH ADMINISTRATORS MEETINGS

FEBRUARY 10, 2005  
MARCH 10, 2005

MEETINGS ARE HELD AT 10:00 AM  
IN THE NUTRITION RESEARCH  
CENTER CONFERENCE ROOM #3.  
PLEASE EMAIL AMY COMER IF  
YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE ADDED TO  
THIS EMAIL GROUP.

[ACOMER@WFUBMC.EDU](mailto:ACOMER@WFUBMC.EDU)

## WHAT ARE F&A COSTS?

**Facilities and Administration (F&A)** costs is another term used for “indirect costs”. These costs are “real” costs not readily associated with a specific project such as space, heating, lighting, etc.

### F&A COSTS – FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

#### 1. How do I determine which rate to use for my project?

The rate used will depend on the type of activity, i.e., basic or applied research, clinical trial, and on the type of sponsor funding the activity, i.e., federal, private or industry. Not-for-profit sponsors typically place a cap on the amount of F&A allowable in the budget.

#### 2. What F&A rate do I use for a clinical trial?

On federally funded clinical trials, budgets are calculated using our most current negotiated research rate (43.5%), based on Modified Total Direct Costs (MTDC) calculation.

On Industry sponsored clinical trials, budgets are calculated using a rate of 25%, using a total direct cost (TDC) calculation. This means that the 25% is applied to the total costs, with the exception of IRB fees and advertising costs, if applicable.

#### 3. What rate do I use on an industry sponsored project that is NOT a clinical trial but basic research?

On industry sponsored basic research projects budgets should be calculated based on Modified Total Direct Costs (MTDC) using the current negotiated research rate of 43.5%. (see question 4)

#### 4. What does Modified Total Direct Cost (MTDC) and the term “base” amount mean?

Modified Total Direct Costs consists of salaries and wages, fringe benefits, materials and supplies, travel, and subgrants and subcontracts up to the first \$25,000 of the total costs of each separate subcontract (regardless of the period covered by the subgrant or subcontract). The base is the amount remaining from the total direct costs after applying the following **exclusions**: equipment (defined as having a useful life of two years, and an acquisition cost of \$3,500 or more per unit), capital expenditures, charges for patient care, rent, scholarships and fellowships, as well as the portion of each subgrant and subcontract exceeding \$25,000.

FAQs continued from page 2.....

### **5. How do you calculate a budget using Total Direct Costs (TDC)?**

When calculating a budget using the TDC method, there are typically no exclusions since we are not receiving our full rate. In the case of industry sponsored clinical trials, IRB fees and advertising costs may be excluded from the total costs before applying the 25% rate.

### **6. I am applying for a non-competitive continuation. Do I keep the rates from the original application or change the rates to reflect the current rates?**

Once a grant has been awarded, the F&A rate remains the same throughout the non-competitive life of the grant.

### **7. I am applying for renewal (competitive grant). Do I use the original F&A (indirect costs) rate or the current rate?**

The budget should reflect the current F&A rate published at the time of the application.

### **8. I am applying for a supplement. What F&A rate (indirect costs) do I use when calculating the budget?**

In most cases you would use the same rate as the parent grant unless stipulated by the funding agency. If the rate used is different from the rate used in the parent grant, then the supplement must be set up in a separate account.

### **9. My sponsor limits their F&A (indirect costs) rate. Do I need to request a waiver?**

If the funding agency has a written policy limiting their F&A this will be accepted and will not require a waiver. This is often the case for not-for-profit sponsors. Waiver requests are reviewed and approved on an ad hoc basis and final approval is determined after review of the sponsor guidelines related to the request.

**Exception:** For-profit agencies (i.e. industry) who may indicate a limit on F&A are required to pay the full, negotiated rate specific to either research or clinical trials. Waivers for research sponsored by for-profit sponsors will only be considered in very special circumstances. Requests to waive F&A on projects funded by for-profit sponsors are discouraged.

Budgets reflecting less than the full rate are calculated using total direct costs (TDC). (see question 5)

## OFFICE OF RESEARCH OPEN HOUSE A SUCCESS

THE OFFICE OF RESEARCH SPONSORED AN OPEN HOUSE ON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2004, IN THE OFFICES LOCATED ON E FLOOR OF THE GRAY BUILDING AS WELL AS THE INDUSTRY RELATIONS OFFICE ON E FLOOR OF THE HANES BUILDING.

THE OPEN HOUSE WAS A HUGE SUCCESS! OVER 160 VISITORS WALKED THROUGH THE OFFICES AND HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET AND CHAT WITH THE MANAGEMENT AND STAFF.

EACH SECTION OF THE OFFICE PUT TOGETHER A GOODY BASKET AS A DOOR PRIZE, AND A WINNER FOR EACH BASKET WAS DRAWN FROM A HAT. THE LUCKY WINNERS WERE, DR. BETH SMITH FROM ORTHOPEDIC SURGERY, Ms. KIM MCKENZIE FROM CANCER BIOLOGY, Ms. SUE ANN BACKUS FROM BIOCHEMISTRY, AND Ms. ALICIA GRAHAM FROM PEDIATRICS.

THE MANAGEMENT AND STAFF OF THE OFFICE OF RESEARCH WANT TO THANK ALL FACULTY AND STAFF FROM THE MEDICAL CENTER WHO TOOK THE TIME TO COME VISIT WITH US. WE LOOK FORWARD TO HAVING FUTURE OPEN HOUSES!!

# DEAR DR. OR



Dear Dr. OR:

There is a tremendous amount of information on the WFUBMC web pages about research centers, the medical school, and other health center facilities. This type of information is often requested by granting agencies in proposals, such as computing resources. When such information is needed, whom does a faculty member contact to get permission to incorporate it into a grant application?

Before the internet we called each department and someone gave us the information or wrote what was needed for the proposal, now it's posted on the internet and protected by copyright. Is there someone to call who can give permission? Or, is the copyright owned by each department?

Sincerely,

Wants to Honor Copyright

Dear Copyright:

Since the Medical Center's website is decentralized, each department "owns" the content on their department section of the site. You will need to contact the individual departments for approval to use content from their section of the website.

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Questions for Dr. OR should be submitted in writing to Amy Comer, Office of Research, or by e-mail: [acomer@wfubmc.edu](mailto:acomer@wfubmc.edu)

## CME CREDIT NOW AVAILABLE FOR REVIEWING MANUSCRIPTS

Some biomedical journals now offer manuscript reviewers the opportunity to earn CME credit for their work. Among the journals now offering category I CME credit for peer reviewers are *The New England Journal of Medicine*, *JAMA*, *Academic Emergency Medicine*, and *Annals of Internal Medicine*. More journals plan to do so in the coming months, as a way to acknowledge an important professional activity that is uncompensated and often underappreciated.

Reviews must be on time and of sufficient quality to merit credit. However, the process may differ for each journal and accredited CME provider. Reviewers can request from 0 to 3 credits for each review, with the journal deciding the number to be awarded. Reviewers can request CME credit for a maximum of 5 reviews a year, for a total of 15 category I CME credits.

This idea is still too new to assess its popularity, and the structure of the credit mechanism may ultimately determine its effectiveness. It remains to be seen whether more physicians will be motivated to undertake manuscript reviews as a result. This will be a developing area of interest for journals, CME providers, and peer reviewers who need to accrue CME credits. Information on the American Medical Association's program (with which *JAMA* is affiliated) can be found at [www.ama-assn.org/ama/pub/category/11062.html](http://www.ama-assn.org/ama/pub/category/11062.html).

## INTRAMURAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITY THE CENTER FOR PUBLIC HEALTH GENOMICS

The Center for Public Health Genomics of the Wake Forest University School of Medicine announces the availability of funds to support projects in genetics and/or public health aspects of diabetes, obesity, or cardiovascular disease. Applications should be targeted to provide pilot data or feasibility data for submission of an NIH (R01) application. Junior (Assistant Professor) level faculty are specifically encouraged to apply, but faculty at all ranks are eligible. Applications will be competitively evaluated by the Intramural Research Support Committee, and projects that are interdisciplinary in nature will be the primary consideration in their review.

Awards are limited to \$10,000 per grant, and no more than three grants will be awarded in this competition. All grants will have a project period of one-year with an anticipated start date of **June 1, 2005** and no anticipation for renewal. Applications should be prepared following the guidelines for the intramural research support program found at this link: <http://www1.wfubmc.edu/OR/Committees/IRSC/Guidelines.htm>. Please note that narratives should address projects in genetics and/or public health aspects of diabetes, obesity, or cardiovascular for this special competition.

The deadline is on or before March 1, 2005. Please forward you applications electronically to [ahorton@wfubmc.edu](mailto:ahorton@wfubmc.edu), in the Office of Research. If you have any questions, please call Angela Horton at 6-2382.



"TOUCHING LIVES WITH CARE"



QUALITY ANIMAL CARE EQUALS QUALITY SCIENCE

The 6th Annual International Laboratory Animal Technician Week is being celebrated from January 30th through February 5th to recognize the importance of technicians as an essential part of the research team by providing compassionate attention to the animals in their care. The "quality care" lab animal technicians provide for their animals produces "quality science" that benefits all of us.

The American Association for Laboratory Animal Science (AALAS) created this annual event to acknowledge laboratory animal technicians nationwide. AALAS is a professional nonprofit association of people concerned with the study, care, and production of laboratory animals, serving society through education, certification, and the advancement of responsible laboratory animal care and use. Since 1950, AALAS has been dedicated to the humane care and treatment of laboratory animals and the quality research that leads to scientific gains that benefit mankind and animals.

Please acknowledge the technicians at our facility - throughout the year! - and remember how important daily animal care is to the end result of the research being conducted.

## CONTROLLER'S CORNER - GRANTS MANAGEMENT

### SOME THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT THE NEW PEOPLESOFT 8.8 SYSTEM:

◆ All requisitions coded to accounts 418201, 418202 or 418206 go to EHS automatically. EHS must review these types of purchases to ensure compliance with state and federal laws, rules and regulations surrounding the use of the drug, chemical, or radiological agents. EH&S must ensure compliance with the limitations of hazardous inventory in each lab or licenses for usage of certain agents.

When the Controller's Office receives a requisition that has an item miscoded and it should be coded to 418201(drugs, chemical, biologicals), 418202(gas, demurrage) or 418206(radioactive material) we MUST recycle the requisitions and instruct the requester to code correctly so it can be routed appropriately (i.e. to EHS).

To facilitate the processing of your requests, please verify coding before submitting.

Below is the link to the expense code definitions on the web:

[http://www.hrfin.wfubmc.edu/wfusom/intranet/Expense\\_Account\\_Code\\_Definitions.doc](http://www.hrfin.wfubmc.edu/wfusom/intranet/Expense_Account_Code_Definitions.doc)

If we receive a requisition and it is coded to account 418207 (Other clinical/lab supply) and we do not know what it is, we may:

- recycle and ask for clarification due to the coding issues and lack of information **or**
- contact the requester and ask for clarification and request that future requisitions contain more of a description

Also, please remember to include a detailed description of the items being ordered to ensure correct coding and that the correct item is received.

◆ If you are in need of instructions for how to find *analyze control budgets*, now known as *budgets overview*; the WFUHS Departmental Reporting Guide is available at <http://intranet.wfubmc.edu/adminwfusm/index.html> or from the ***infiNet, Departments, Administrative Systems: WFUHS (internal). WFUHS Departmental Reporting Guide.***

### NEW ONLINE EFFORT SYSTEM:

The new online effort system became available on January 14<sup>th</sup>. An email with a link to the new system and instructions was previously distributed. Effort certifications for the period of July 1, 2004 - December 31, 2004 are due February 15, 2005.

If you do not have access to email or a computer and need assistance, you should contact your departmental administrator or business manager. If you are having other navigation/system issues please call Jim Lineberger at 6-5293. If you have questions about effort and your departmental administrator is not able to assist you, please contact Meredith Rentz 3-0271.



Wake Forest University Baptist  
**MEDICAL CENTER**  
 Women's Health Center of Excellence

## Women's Health Educational and Research Opportunities for Clinicians and Scientists

*For upcoming conferences and lectures, visit  
 our calendar website at  
[www.wfubmc.edu/women](http://www.wfubmc.edu/women)*

### WELCOME OUR NEW RESEARCH DIRECTOR

Please join the Women's Health Center of Excellence (WHCoE) in welcoming J. Mark Cline, D.V.M., Ph.D., as the Director of our Research Program. Dr. Cline is Associate Professor in the Department of Pathology, Section on Comparative Medicine specializing in the comparative pathology of cancers of the breast and female reproductive system. His vision for the Research Program includes development of stronger links to the Cancer Center and Obstetrics/Gynecology, and new incentives for investigators entering the field of Women's Health.

### 2005 DAYBOOK "GENERATIONS: WOMEN'S HEALTH ACROSS THE LIFESPAN"

The National Women's Health Information Center has published its 2005 Daybook and is ready to be downloaded.

This year's daybook is a book for all generations of women. Inside, you will find information on many common health problems and concerns, as well as how to prevent or manage them. Don't miss the useful tools at the front of the book, such as the "How to" sections and the charts on when to get important tests.

To download your copy of the datebook visit <http://www.4woman.gov/pub/daybook.2005/daybook.2005.htm>

### 2005 DIETARY GUIDELINES FOR AMERICANS

The 2005 *Dietary Guidelines for Americans* has been released by the Department of Health and Human Services and the Department of Agriculture.

The *Dietary Guidelines*, based on the latest scientific information including medical knowledge, provides authoritative advice about how good dietary habits can promote health and reduce risk of major chronic diseases. It was prepared in three stages. In the first, a 13-member Dietary Guidelines Advisory Committee prepared a report based on the best available science. In the second stage, government scientists and officials developed the *Dietary Guidelines* after reviewing the advisory committee's report and agency and public comments. In the third stage, experts worked to translate the *Dietary Guidelines* into meaningful messages for the public and educators.

To download your copy: <http://www.health.gov/dietaryguidelines/dga2005/document/>

### OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST

#### **MEDIA/SCIENCE FORUM: Making Healthy Headlines**

Tuesday, March 22, 2005 – 1:30 p.m. to 5:30 pm.

*Presented by the Center for Women's Health Research, School of Public Health, and Research America*

#### **6<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL WOMEN'S HEALTH RESEARCH DAY**

Wednesday, March 23, 2005 – 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Location for both events: Medical Biomolecular Research Bldg., University of North Carolina – Chapel Hill Campus Registration for both events is FREE, but required. The last day for registration is Friday, March 18, 2005. Visit their website to register and get information: <http://www.cwhr.unc.edu>

## NEWS FROM NIH

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### OHRP GUIDANCE ON RESEARCH INVOLVING CODED PRIVATE INFORMATION OR BIOLOGICAL SAMPLES

On December 30<sup>th</sup> NIH issued new information on how it will implement the OHRP guidance on Research Involving Coded Private Information or Biological Samples. The OHRP guidance reaffirms their policy regarding databases and specimen repository activities, and research on human embryonic stem cells. In addition the guidance clarifies the distinction between research involving coded private information or specimens that does not involve human subjects, human subject research that the IRB can declare exempt and research requiring review by the IRB.

The IRB is reviewing the NIH and OHRP information to determine what, if any, changes in how the WFUHS IRB reviews and approves research involving coded information or biological samples are appropriate. Additional information will be published in Pursuit and available on the IRB web page.

Investigators should remember that only the WFHS IRB can determine whether an activity is exempt or is not research involving human subjects. Individual investigators can not make these determinations. Investigators should contact the IRB Office for assistance or questions.

### WEBSITE FOR NEW INVESTIGATORS

The Office of Extramural Research (OER), NIH, announces the posting of a new website that articulates NIH's continuing commitment to new investigators (see [http://grants.nih.gov/grants/new\\_investigators/index.htm](http://grants.nih.gov/grants/new_investigators/index.htm)). The website describes current policies, data related to the influx of new investigators, resources that new investigators can use to understand and work with the NIH, and helpful hints that might be useful in constructing a first application for NIH support. The OER solicits additional suggestions for non-commercial content for this website. Visitors who know of additional resources can send suggestions to [OEPMailbox@mail.nih.gov](mailto:OEPMailbox@mail.nih.gov).

### NIH REGIONAL SEMINARS IN PROGRAM FUNDING AND GRANTS ADMINISTRATION

#### **2005 Regional Seminars in Program Funding and Grants Administration – NOT-OD-05-019**

Two regional seminars covering topics related to NIH extramural program funding and grants administration have been planned for 2005. The two-day seminars provide information about the NIH funding process, from opportunity identification and application preparation through post award administration. Presentations are targeted towards research administrators, researchers new to NIH, post docs and trainees. Opportunities for informal interactions between seminar participants and NIH grants management, program, policy and review staff are incorporated into the program and such interactions are highly encouraged. NIH electronic research administration labs are offered on the Wednesday preceding the seminar. The seminars will be held on:

**April 7-8, 2005** – hosted by the University of New Mexico in Albuquerque, NM

**June 23-24, 2005** – hosted by Purdue University in West Lafayette, Indiana

Information on programs is available from the NIH Office of Extramural Research regional seminar website at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/seminars.htm>.

## UNITED SOYBEAN BOARD (USB)

**POSITION:** Soy Health Research Program (SHRP)

**DESCRIPTION:** The USB invites applications for grant proposals on soy and human health, for eventual submission to the National Institutes of Health. These \$10,000 incentive grants are offered to researchers who develop and submit the best research concepts. Studies are encouraged that might break new ground or lead to new understanding of how soy can affect human health. Applicants must have been a PI on a prior NIH grant (R01, P01, R29, or P30 only). Selected applicants will be required to submit a full grant proposal to the NIH for the June 1 or October 1 deadline.

**DEADLINE:** March 15, 2005, additional information can be found at <http://www.talksoy.com/shrp>.

## AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY

**POSITION:** Research Grants

**DESCRIPTION:** The Society's Extramural Grants Program seeks to support and promote high impact and innovative cancer-related research across a wide range of disciplines to meet critically important needs in the control of cancer. The Society offers extramural support in various areas. Additional information can be found at [http://www.cancer.org/docroot/RES/RES\\_0.asp](http://www.cancer.org/docroot/RES/RES_0.asp).

**Research Scholar Grants** are available in the following areas: **Basic, Preclinical, Clinical and Epidemiology Research; Cancer Control and Prevention; Psychosocial and Behavioral Research; and Cancer Control and Prevention: Health Services and Health Policy Research** – these awards provide support for investigator-initiated research projects. Awards are for up to four years and for up to \$200,000 per year. Investigators must be in their first six years of an independent research career or faculty appointment to be eligible to apply.

**DEADLINES:** April 1 and October 1, annually

**Research Opportunity Grant** – this award provides rapid, one-time funding for novel ideas or for targeting urgent problems with immediate human benefit. Awards are for one year and for up to \$72,000 total cost. There is no application deadline, but a letter of intent is required. Independent investigators at any stage of their research careers are eligible to apply.

**Postdoctoral Fellowships** – these awards provide support for the training of researchers who have received a doctorate providing initial funding leading to an independent career in cancer research (including basic, preclinical, clinical, cancer control, psychosocial, behavioral, epidemiology, health services and health policy research). Awards are for up to three years with progressive stipends of \$40,000, \$42,000 and \$44,000 per year, plus a \$4,000 per year institutional allowance.

**DEADLINES:** April 1 and October 1, annually

**Mentored Research Scholar Grants in Applied and Clinical Research** – these awards support mentored research by full-time faculty, typically within the first four years of their appointment, with the goal of becoming independent investigators in clinical, cancer control and prevention, epidemiologic, psychosocial, behavioral, health services and health policy research. Awards are made up to five years and for up to \$135,000 per year. These grants are not renewable.

**DEADLINES:** April 1 and October 1, annually

# Research Funding Opportunities

For all funding information contact Angela Horton, Office of Research, 623382, unless noted otherwise in the funding announcement

# Research Funding Opportunities

For all funding information contact Angela Horton, Office of Research, 62382, unless noted otherwise in the funding announcement

## REMINDER - DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE – FEBRUARY DEADLINES

The 2005 Breast and Prostate Cancer – funding opportunities have been announced. Information about these programs is available at <http://cdmnp.army.mil/funding/>. Electronic submission is required for all funding opportunities and DOD has revised the **eReceipt online proposal submission** site, as well as specific application instructions. Please pay particular attention to these revisions. Information and instructions on using this site are available through the Office of Research website at <http://www1.wfubmc.edu/OR/Applications+and+Awards/Department+of+Defense.htm>. Please be reminded, all DOD electronic applications must be routed through the **Office of Research at least 3 days prior to the deadline.**

## MARCH OF DIMES BIRTH DEFECTS FOUNDATION

**POSITION:** Basil O’Conner Starter Research Award

**DESCRIPTION:** This award is designed to support young scientists just starting their independent research careers and is limited to those holding recent faculty appointments. The applicants’ research interests should be consonant with those of the Foundation. These grants do not cover the recipient’s salary but do provide support for technical help and supplies. Applicants may not be recipients of major grants (e.g. an R01, or other grant exceeding \$100K a year) at the time of application. Awards are for up to \$75,000. Nominations must be made by the Department Chairman and the Dean, in addition to information that must be provided via the online system at

<http://researchgrants.marchofdimes.com/boc>.

**DEADLINE:** Nomination and online submission - March 15, 2005

**POSITION:** Research Grants

**DESCRIPTION:** The Foundation invites applications for research grants. Applicants must hold a faculty appointment. Research subjects appropriate for support by the Foundation include basic biological processes governing development, genetics, clinical studies, studies of reproductive health, environmental toxicology, and social and behavioral studies relevant to their mission. Potential applicants should submit electronically the required administrative information and a Letter of Intent summarizing the proposed studies via the online system at

<http://researchgrants.marchofdimes.com/loi>.

**DEADLINE:** Letter of Intent Due - April 30, 2005

## OFFICE OF BEHAVIORAL AND SOCIAL SCIENCES RESEARCH, NCI, NCCAM, NHLBI, NIDCR, NIMH, NIA, NIAAA, NIDA, NICHD, NIEHS

**POSITION:** Research on Mind-Body Interactions and Health – PA-05-027

**DESCRIPTION:** The NIH, through the participating Institutes, Centers, and Offices listed above invite applications in support of research on mind-body interactions and health. “Mind-body interactions and health” refers to the relationships among cognitions, emotions, personality, social relationships, and health. A central goal of this program is to encourage interdisciplinary collaboration and innovation towards understanding the processes underlying mind-body interactions and health as well as towards the application of such basic knowledge to interventions and clinical practice in the promotion of health and the prevention or treatment of disease and disabilities. This PA will use the NIH Research (R01) Award mechanism. The complete program announcement can be found at <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-05-027.html>.

**DEADLINES:** June 1 and October 1, 2005

OFFICE OF BEHAVIORAL AND SOCIAL SCIENCES RESEARCH, NCI, NCCAM, NHLBI, NHGRI, NICHD, NIDCR, NIDDK, NIEHS, NIMH, NINR, NIA, NIAAA, NIAMS, NIDA, NIDCD

**POSITION:** Social and Cultural Dimensions of Health – PA-05-029

**DESCRIPTION:** The ultimate goal of this program announcement is to encourage the development of health research that integrates knowledge from the biomedical and social sciences. This involves the further development of health-related social science research relevant to the missions of the NIH Institutes and Centers and the development of multi- or inter-disciplinary research that blends the theories and approaches of the social and biomedical sciences. This PA invites applications to: elucidate basic social and cultural constructs and processes used in health research; clarify social and cultural factors in the etiology and consequences of health and illness; link basic research to practice for improving prevention, treatment, health services, and dissemination; and explore ethical issues in social and cultural research related to health. This PA will use the NIH Research (R01) Award mechanism. The complete program announcement can be found at <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-05-029.html>.

**DEADLINES:** June 1 and October 1, 2005

OFFICE OF RESEARCH ON WOMEN'S HEALTH, OFFICE OF DIETARY SUPPLEMENTS, OFFICE OF BEHAVIORAL AND SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH, NIAAA, NIAID, NIAMS, NICHD, NHLBI, NIEHS, NINR, NINDS, NIDCR, NIA

**POSITION:** Chronic Fatigue Syndrome: Pathophysiology and Treatment – PA-05-030

**DESCRIPTION:** The Office of Research on Women's Health (ORWH) and co-sponsoring Institutes and Offices (ICs) of the National Institutes of Health (NIH) invite submission of investigator-initiated research grant applications to support research on the epidemiology, diagnosis, pathophysiology, and treatment of chronic fatigue syndrome (CFS) in diverse groups and across the life span. Applications that address gaps in our understanding of the environmental and biological risk factors, the determinants of heterogeneity among patient populations, and the common mediators influencing multiple body systems that are affected in CFS are encouraged. The NIH is interested in funding research that will enhance our knowledge of the disease process and improve the diagnosis, treatment, and quality of life of all persons with CFS. The funding mechanism for this PA will be the NIH Research (R01) Award. The complete PA can be found at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-05-030.html>

**DEADLINES:** June 1 and October 1, 2005

## GRANT AND CONTRACT PROPOSAL WATCH

	Fiscal Year 05 July - Dec	Fiscal Year 04 July - Dec	% Change
Proposals Submitted	478	470	1.7%
Dollars Requested	\$262,823,287	\$249,508,943	5.3%

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## REMINDER

### "THREE DAY RULE" FOR APPLICATIONS

Applications must be submitted for review and institutional signature no less than **three days prior** to the agency deadline.

#### KEY FOR DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

**(DHHS) INSTITUTES - (<http://www.nih.gov/icd/>)**

**AHRQ** - Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality

**NCCAM** - National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine

**NCI** - National Cancer Institute

**NCNR** - National Center of Nursing Research

**NCRR** - National Center for Research Resources

**NEI** - National Eye Institute

**NHLBI** - National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute

**NHGRI** - National Human Genome Research Institute

**NIAAA** - National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism

**NIA** - National Institute on Aging

**NIAID** - National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases

**NIAMS** - National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases

**NIBIB** - National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering

**NICHD** - National Institute of Child Health and Human Development

**NIDA** - National Institute on Drug Abuse

**NIDCD** - National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders

**NIDDK** - National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases

**NIDCR** - National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research

**NIHES** - National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences

**NIGMS** - National Institute of General Medical Sciences

**NIMH** - National Institute of Mental Health

**NINDS** - National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke

**NLM** - National Library of Medicine

**ORWH** - Office of Research on Women's Health

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