NSF Proposal & Award Policy Update

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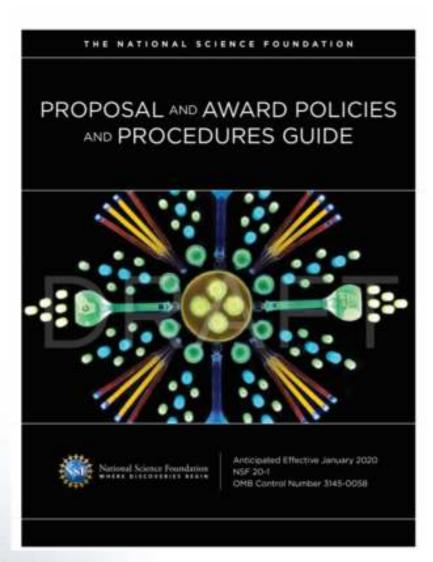e-mail: jfeldman@nsf.gov

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Topics Covered

- Key Dates for 2020 PAPPG

- "*Information Regarding the Proposal & Award Policies & Procedures Guide*" (PAPPG) (NSF 20-1)

- Proposed Changes to Biographical Sketch & Current and Pending Support

- Research.gov – Current and Upcoming Capabilities

- NSF Outreach

Key Dates for 2020 PAPPG

- Spring 2019 – Federal Register for public comment
- Comments were submitted in response to proposed changes
- NSF carefully considered comments in preparation of the revised document. The PAPPG was submitted for final review and clearance by OMB, November 2019
- NSF posted "*Information Regarding the Proposal & Award Policies and Procedures Guide*", December 13, 2019
- The implementation date remains TBD, but will be disseminated widely, when available
- Webinars will be held after posting of the PAPPG to the NSF website to highlight significant changes and clarifications

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PROPOSAL AND AWARD POLICIES AND PROCEDURES GUIDE

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Anticipated Effective January 2020
NSF 20-1
OMB Control Number 3145-0058

"Information Regarding the Proposal & Award Policies & Procedures Guide" (PAPPG) (NSF 20-1)

- Purpose of Issuance: to highlight important information to assist the community in preparing for this new PAPPG as it relates to the preparation and submission of the Biographical Sketch & Current and Pending Support sections of NSF proposals that fall under this revised PAPPG.

- Major Points:

  - NSF is partnering with NIH to use SciENcv: Science Experts Network Curriculum Vitae as an NSF-approved format for use in preparation of both the Biographical Sketch & Current and Pending Support sections of an NSF proposal.

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"Information Regarding the Proposal & Award Policies & Procedures Guide" (PAPPG) (NSF 20-1) (Cont'd)

- Major Points (Cont'd)

  ▪ Use of an NSF-approved format for the Biographical Sketch and Current and Pending Support documents will be required upon <u>implementation</u> of the PAPPG. NSF is encouraging proposers to begin using SciENcv for preparation of the Biographical Sketch now.

  ▪ SciENcv allows proposers to integrate their ORCiD to enable pre-population for the Biographical Sketch.

  ▪ SciENcv will produce NSF-compliant PDF versions of these documents. Proposers must save these documents and submit them as part of their proposals via FastLane, Research.gov or Grants.gov.

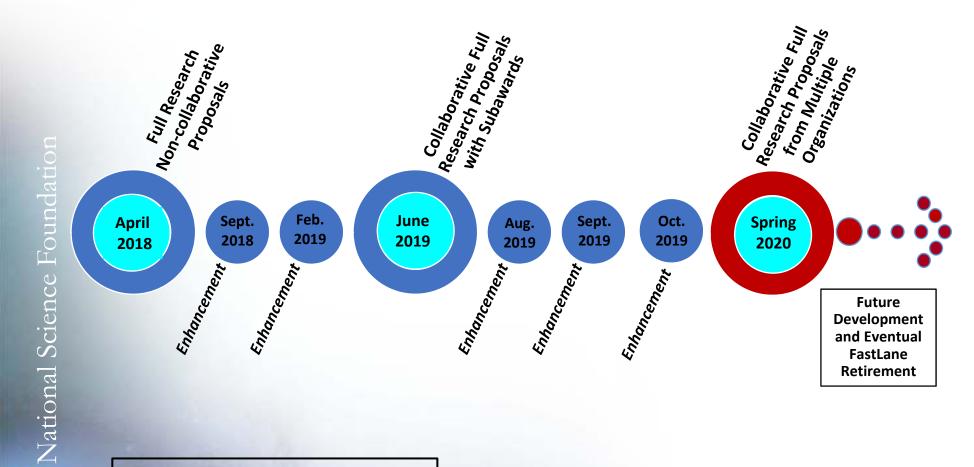 ▪ NSF and NIH are collaborating on outreach and training materials.

NSF and SciENcv Frequently Asked Questions

- What constitutes an NSF-approved format, and will there be an additional approved format beyond SciENcv?

- Will non-compliant documents receive an error warning in both FastLane and Research.gov?

- Will SciENcv link to NSF systems to retrieve the Biographical Sketch and Current and Pending Support documents?

- In order to move sections around and paginate the documents, is it permissible to save the documents in Word, then create a new PDF?

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Proposal Submission in Research.gov – Current and Upcoming Capabilities

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Full Research Non-collaborative Proposals

Collaborative Full Research Proposals with Subawards

Collaborative Full Research Proposals from Multiple Organizations

April 2018

Sept. 2018 — *Enhancement*

Feb. 2019 — *Enhancement*

June 2019

Aug. 2019 — *Enhancement*

Sept. 2019 — *Enhancement*

Oct. 2019 — *Enhancement*

Spring 2020

Future Development and Eventual FastLane Retirement

Research.gov Proposal System Release Timeline

NSF Outreach

- NSF Grants Conference
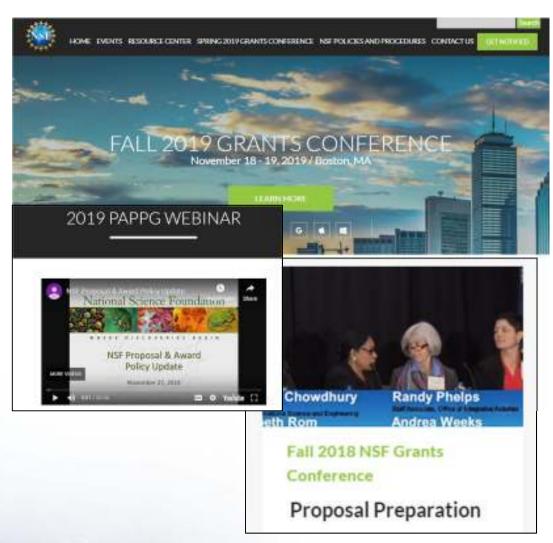 - May 18-19 in Minneapolis

- PAPPG Update Webinars (Coming Soon!)

- NSF Grants Conference Video Library

https://nsfgrantsconferences.com