

NIH Update

Federal Demonstration Partnership

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NIH FY 2018 Budget News

- NIH is funded under the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2018 ([P.L. 115-141](#)) signed on March 23, 2018.
- NIHs FY 2018 budget amount is \$37.3 billion which represents a \$3 billion increase over FY 2017.

Stay tuned for a guide notice with details!!



National Research Service Award (NRSA) FY18 Stipend Levels

On May 9 NIH announced stipend increases for undergraduate, graduate students and post-doctoral recipients. FY18 awards issued at previous rates will be revised, and appointments that have already been made must be amended via xTrain.

Career Level	Years of Experience	Stipend for FY 2018	Monthly Stipend
Predoctoral		\$24,324	\$2,027
Postdoctoral	0	\$48,432	\$4,036
	1	\$48,804	\$4,067
	2	\$49,188	\$4,099
	3	\$51,324	\$4,277
	4	\$53,184	\$4,432
	5	\$55,308	\$4,609
	6	\$57,528	\$4,794
	7 or More	\$59,736	\$4,978

See [NOT-OD-18-175](#) for additional information.



NRSA FY18 Budgetary Levels

Training related expenses (TRE) and Institutional Allowances (IA) have increased for post-doctoral recipients by \$1,000.

- TRE on Institutional Training Grants:
 - *Postdoctoral Trainees*: \$9,850
- IA for Individual Fellows:
 - Non-Federal Public, Private, and Non-Profit Institutions
 - *Postdoctoral Fellows*: \$9,850
 - Federal and For-Profit Institutions
 - *Postdoctoral Fellows*: \$8,750

No changes in tuition, fees, and TRE / IA for undergraduate and graduate students.

See [NOT-OD-18-175](#) for additional information.



SAM.GOV Registration

- Effective March 22, 2018, all entities starting a new registration in SAM.gov are required to provide an original, signed notarized letter stating that the organizational official registering the organization is the authorized Entity administrator.
- Effective April 27, 2018, this requirement expanded to all existing registrations that are being updated or renewed.
- **Review your SAM account and ensure that you start the renewal process early!**
- NIH cannot accept applications from, or make awards to, organizations that are not registered in SAM.



Guidance on Salary Limitation FY 2018

- Limited to Executive Level II – increased from **\$187,000** to **\$189,600**, effective as of January 7, 2018.
- Rebudgeting to accommodate the current salary cap is allowed:
 - if adequate funds are available in active awards, and;
 - if the salary cap increase is consistent with the institutional base salary.
- No additional funds will be provided to these grant awards.

See [NOT-OD-18-137](#)



Federal Policy for the Protection of Human Subjects

The Final Rule ([45 CFR part 46](#)) is intended to enhance protections for human research participants, facilitate valuable research, and reduce burdens for investigators, research institutions, and Institutional Review Boards (IRBs)

*****HHS has announced an Interim Final Rule that delays the effective date and general compliance date to July 19, 2018.*****

- Studies that have not undergone initial IRB review will be subject to the new Final Rule requirements.
- Research ongoing on that date will continue to be subject to the current Common Rule requirements

Note: The NIH policy on the use of single IRBs in multi-site studies took effect in January 2018.

See [NOT-OD-17-038](#) and [NOT-OD-17-040](#)



Clarification of NIH's Policy Regarding a Change in PD/PIs Status

NIH reminds the extramural community that prior approval is required anytime there is a change in the status of the PD/PI or other senior key personnel where that change will impact his/her ability to carry out the approved research at the location of, and on behalf of, the recipient institution.

Changes in status of the PI or other senior/key personnel requiring prior approval include:

- **Restrictions that the institution imposes on such individuals after the award;**
 - Including but not limited to any restrictions on access to the institution or to the institution's resources;
- **Changes in their employment or leave status at the institution.**

See [NOT-OD-18-172](#)



FCOI: Investigator Disclosures of Foreign Financial Interests

- Reminder that 42 CFR Part 50, Subpart F, Objectivity of Research, applies to each institution, domestic and foreign, that applies for or receives NIH research funding in the form of grants or cooperative agreements
- Regulation applies to:
 - Prime Recipients
 - Subrecipients
 - Domestic and Foreign
 - Each investigator who is planning to participate in, or is participating in, such research
 - *Does not apply to Phase 1 SBIR/STTR awards*
- Investigators must disclose all financial interests received from a foreign institution of higher education or the government of another country



Advance Notice Of Transition to the Xtract System For Preparing Research Training Data Tables

NIH anticipates mandating that required training data tables submitted with applications and progress reports for the following activity codes be created via the xTRACT system:

- T32
- TL1
- T90/R90
- T15

In late FY 2019, NIH will provide further guidance about the implementation of this expected requirement. At this time, applicants who have not yet taken advantage of the xTRACT system to create training data tables are encouraged to begin exploring its functionality, and may wish to start by using the system to create Data Table 8, to accompany an RPPR.



QUESTIONS?

