

# NIH Update

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# Request for Information: Strategies for Simplifying NIH's Grant Application Instructions

**Release Date: August 4, 2015**

**Response Date: September 25, 2015**

- NIH seeks input on the restructuring of the NIH grant application instructions
- The purpose is to obtain public comments focused specifically on developing new strategies in presenting this material to applicants in a more concise, helpful way
- Goal is to reduce administrative burden

**See [NOT-OD-15-134](#) for more information.**



# PMS Subaccounts – Reminder of Implementation Timeline FY2016

**October 1, 2015 – September 30, 2016**

- Competing Awards
  - NIH will continue to award all new funding to subaccounts
- Type 3 Awards
  - Beginning October 1, 2015, supplements will be awarded to subaccounts.
- Type 5 Awards
  - Beginning October 1, 2015, NIH will use an administrative process to transition all non-competing awards to P subaccounts

**September 30, 2016 – All awards transitioned to subaccounts.**



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# PMS Subaccounts – Implementation Type 5 Funding

## **Beginning October 1, 2015**

No change in grantee progress report submission

NIH will award type 4s to transition funding to subaccounts

Grantees will submit Subaccount Transitional Federal Financial Reports (FFRs)

- Subaccount Transitional FFRs may include unliquidated obligations

**See [NOT-OD-15-105](#) and [NOT-OD-14-103](#) for  
detailed transition steps.**

# Closeout Reminders

- Grantees **must** ensure there are no discrepancies between the final FFR expenditure data (in eRA Commons) and the FFR cash transaction data in the Payment Management System.
  - The FFR module in eRA Commons will display a text reminder before submitting the Final FFR (late August 2015)
- New HHS policy requires NIH to initiate unilateral closeout procedures—i.e., closeout without receipt of acceptable reports—within 180 days of the period of performance end date if the grantee has not submitted an acceptable report for each required final report.

See [NOT-OD-14-084](#)



# Deadline for Final Reports Required for Grant Closeout

**Projects ending on or after October 1, 2014, recipients must submit the following documents within 120 calendar days of the end of the period of performance;**

- Final Federal Financial Report (FFR)
- Final Progress Report (FPR)
- Final Invention Statement and Certification (FIS)

**For any grants with a period of performance (project period) end date prior to October 1, 2014, the reporting deadline will be 90 days from the project period end date.**

**See [NOT-OD-15-111](#) for more additional details.**

# Research Training Data Table Formats

**NIH anticipates adopting new research training data table formats in FY 2016 for use with:**

- Institutional training grant applications and;
- Research Performance Progress Reports (RPPRs)

**NIH anticipates releasing the new training table formats by the end of September 2015, for inclusion in RPPRs submitted December 1, 2015, or later and applications submitted for the May 25, 2016, due date and after.**

**See [NOT-OD-15-112](#) for more details.**

# Check the Guide

- [NOT-OD-15-017](#) NIH Implementation of Dual Use Research of Concern (DURC)
- [NOT-OD-15-091](#) Publication Reporting Instructions for RPPRs and Renewal Applications
- [NOT-OD-15-103](#) Enhancing Reproducibility through Rigor and Transparency
- [NOT-OD-15-109](#) Guidance on Qualifications of IACUC Nonscientific and Nonaffiliated Members





# Questions??

