The Federal Demonstration Partnership (FDP) Is Open to Applications for Phase VII

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The Federal Demonstration Partnership (FDP), an association of federal agencies, academic research institutions, and research policy organizations that work to streamline the administration of federally sponsored research, will enter Phase VII in September 2020. The FDP is now open to applications from organizations receiving federal research funding, including public and private colleges and universities receiving federal research funding (including predominantly undergraduate institutions and minority serving institutions), non-profit research and education organizations (e.g. science museums and research institutes), and hospitals who would like to participate in this next phase. Applications are due March 27, 2020.

The FDP is a unique forum of federal agencies and funding recipients committed to testing innovative approaches and streamlining processes and systems for federally supported research and education. The Government-University-Industry Research Roundtable (GUIRR) of the National Academies serves as the neutral convener of the FDP which began as an experiment in 1986 between five federal agencies (National Science Foundation, National Institutes of Health, Office of Naval Research, Department of Energy, and US Department of Agriculture), the Florida State University System and the University of Miami to test and evaluate a grant mechanism utilizing a standardized and simplified set of terms and conditions across all participating agencies. Over the past 30 years the FDP has evolved into an organization of 10 federal agencies and 154 research institutions dedicated to finding efficient and effective ways to support research by maximizing resources available for research and minimizing administrative costs.

Major accomplishments of the FDP include the Faculty Workload Survey, cited by Congress and researchers, the FDP Expanded Clearinghouse, enabling pass-through entities to obtain and review all necessary subrecipient entity information in lieu of burdensome forms, and SciENcy, a cooperative project built by the National Center for Biotechnology Information (NCBI) with input from an FDP working group.

The application process requires that a letter of institutional support be uploaded to this website. This letter of support should be signed by a high-ranking institutional official (Provost, Vice President for Research or equivalent) and contain a statement clearly indicating the institution's commitment to the financial and time requirements associated with membership of the FDP.
Applications must be submitted by March 27, 2020, with evaluation of applications and selection of new members to be completed by April 17, 2020. Phase VII members will be required to execute membership agreements by August 1, 2020. Potential new members are welcome to attend the FDP meeting scheduled for May 20-22, 2020 at the Marriott Wardman Park in Washington DC.

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