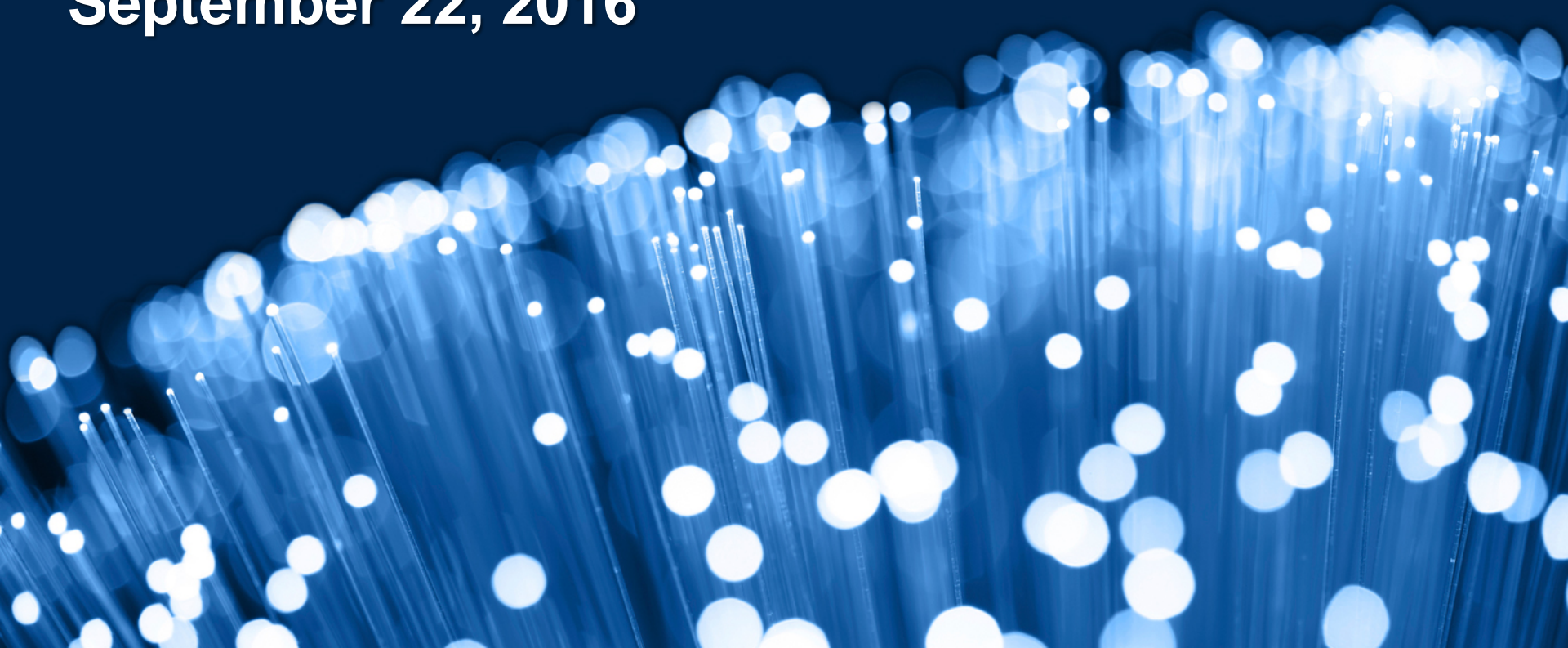


NSF Proposal & Award Policy Update



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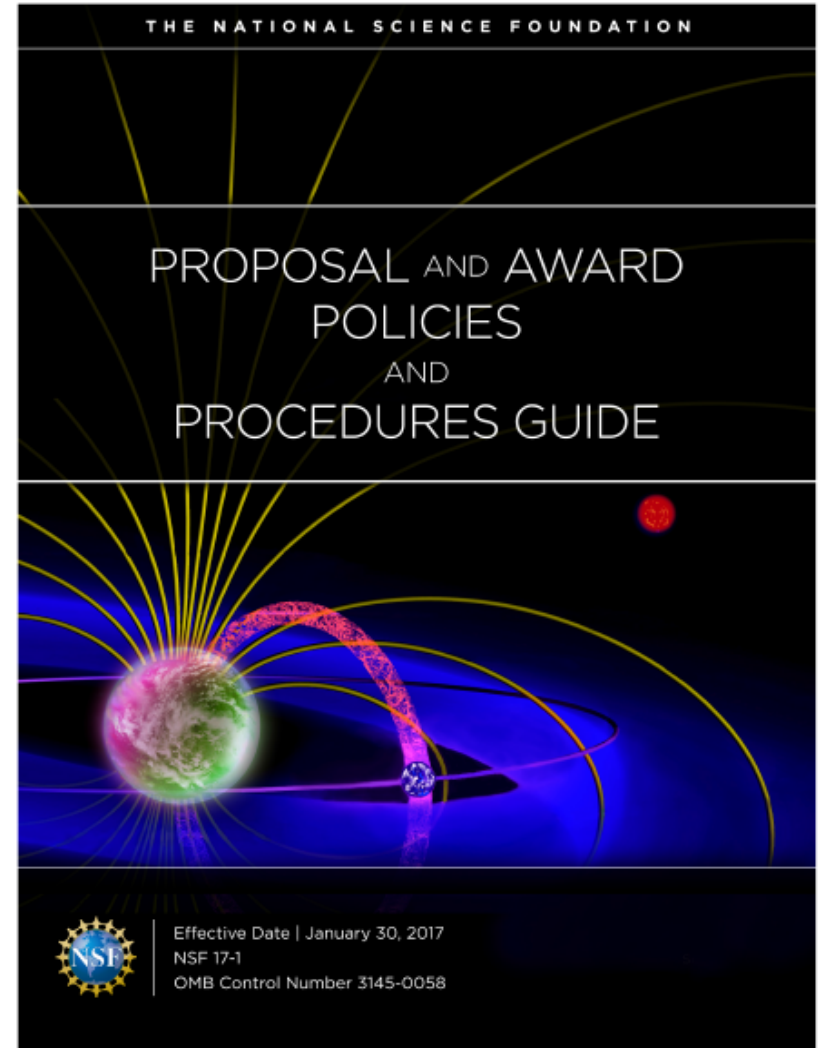
Topics

- NSF Policy Update - Proposal & Award Policies & Procedures Guide (PAPPG) Significant Changes
- Project Summary Enhancement
- NSF Electronic Research Administration (ERA) Forum
- Upcoming Outreach



PAPPG Implementation Schedule

- Publish in October 2016
- Effective January 30, 2017



PAPPG –Significant Changes

- Elimination of separate recognition of the Grant Proposal Guide (GPG) and Award & Administration Guide (AAG)
 - Entire document referred to as PAPPG (Parts I & II)
 - Chapters will be sequentially numbered from I-XII
- Increased clarity regarding terms such as types of submissions and types of proposals.

PAPPG –Significant Changes

- Greater clarity on instructions for proposals submitted late due to natural or anthropogenic disasters.
- Collaborator & Other Affiliations Information
 - Thesis Advisor and Postgraduate Scholar Sponsor replaced with Ph.D. Advisor
 - Instructions added for placement of this section in separately submitted collaborative proposals
- Cost sharing coverage enhanced with increased coverage on the difference between voluntary committed and voluntary uncommitted cost sharing.



PAPPG –Significant Changes

- Human Subjects – New coverage has been added on 45 CFR 690.118, including new template
- Vertebrate Animals – Increased clarity regarding departures from the *Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals*.
- Environmental requirements have been supplemented with a standard Organizational Environmental Impacts Checklist and associated instructions that Proposers may be requested to submit

PAPPG –Significant Changes

- New Section has been added to Chapter II on Special processing instructions
 - Special Processing Instructions addresses issues such as Proprietary or Privileged Information, Collaborative Proposals, Beginning Investigators, Vertebrate Animals, Human Subjects, etc.
- Separate section developed for Types of Proposals which describes the various types of proposals that may be submitted to NSF such as RAPID, EAGER, etc.

PAPPG –Significant Changes

- Two new proposal types are being added:
 - Research Advanced by Interdisciplinary Science and Engineering (RAISE); and
 - Grant Opportunities for Academic Liaisons with Industry (GOALI)
- International Travel Grants have been expanded to address support for both domestic and international travel



Automated Proposal Compliance Checking

- Project Summary Enhancements
 - Effective September 26, the Project Summary text boxes will be checked for one page in length;
 - It must contain the three required sections: Overview, Statement on Intellectual Merit and Statement on Broader Impacts.
 - Previous character count will be discontinued.
 - A Project Summary with special characters may still be submitted as a supplementary document

Note that proposals submitted in Grants.gov do not follow the FastLane automated compliance checks and will be returned without review if the proposal is not in compliance with NSF proposal submission policies.



NSF Electronic Research Administration (ERA) Forum

- New initiative to gather opinions, perspectives and feedback around NSF ERA activities.
- A webinar was held in April 2016 to review Forum logistics and to share preliminary PSM modernization concepts.
- Next webinar event will be **September 28, 2016, at 1:00 PM EST.**
- Additional information and registration at:
https://www.nsf.gov/bfa/dias/policy/era_forum.jsp
- Sign up for forum notifications by sending an email to:
NSF-ERA-FORUM-subscribe-request@listserv.nsf.gov



NSF Grants Conference

- November 14-15 in Pittsburgh, PA
 - Proposal Preparation
 - Merit Review Process
 - Award Management
 - Proposal & Award Policy Update
 - NSF CAREER Program Overview
 - Breakout sessions by NSF Directorate
- NSF intends to webcast the plenary sessions of this conference. To receive notification about registration send an e-mail to grants_conference@nsf.gov



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