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Alerts:

- NIH Announces the Transition of Training Grants to Electronic Submission
- NSF Updates its Grants.gov Application Guide

“With its October 26, 2009, Guide notice, NIH made it official: as of January 25, 2010, training grant applications must be submitted electronically.”

“The NSF Guide for Preparation and Submission of Applications via Grants.gov has been updated effective December 1, 2009.”

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NIH Training Grants Transition to Electronic Submission

Per National Institutes of Health (NIH) Notice [NOT-OD-10-008](#), NIH will transition the following Institutional Training and Institutional Career Development Programs to electronic submissions via Grants.gov using the SF424 (R&R) forms for due dates on or after January 25, 2010.

- Institutional National Research Service Awards (T32, T34, T35, T36, T90)
- Other institutional training grants¹ (D43, D71, T01, T02, T03, T14, T15, T37, TU2, U2R)
- Institutional career development programs (K12)

ALL applications in response to announcements for these grant programs must be submitted electronically (**paper applications will not be accepted**). In addition, if you are planning to resubmit an application, your resubmission must now be prepared using the SF424 (R&R) forms and submitted electronically via Grants.gov.

Funding Opportunity Announcements (FOAs) for these programs are being updated and are expected to be posted by November 25, 2009. Applicants will need to access the applicable FOA after that date to obtain the appropriate application package and instructions. Please review the instructions in the relevant FOA and the [SF424 Application Guide](#).

The SF424 (R&R) Application Guide is also being revised to include Part 1.8 Supplemental Instructions for Preparing an Institutional Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Award (NRSA) application. Supplemental instructions for K12 applications will be included in individual FOAs.

Please note that there are some steps you must take before you can submit electronically, including requesting an [eRA Commons](#) account. To register for an eRA Commons account, please contact your [GCA Reviewer](#). In addition, you may learn more about how to prepare for this transition by going to: [Get Ready Now to Apply Electronically](#) and the [NIH Grant Cycle: Application to Renewal](#).

Keep in mind that applications for training grants with deadline dates prior to January 25, 2010 should continue to be submitted on PHS398 paper forms.

¹The T42 program used by CDC/NIOSH will not transition to electronic submission at this time. The T42 program will be evaluated with other complex programs for transition at a later date.

NSF Updates its Grants.gov Application Guide

The National Science Foundation (NSF) [Guide for Preparation and Submission of Applications via Grants.gov](#) has been updated effective December 1, 2009. Summary of Significant Changes include:

- **Next Steps – Post Submission to Grants.gov** - This section has been updated to reflect the availability of Research.gov to track the status of grant applications to NSF.
- **NSF Cover Page** - The NSF Grants.gov Application Cover Page has been updated to include the Grants for Rapid Response Research (RAPID) and EARly-concept Grants for Exploratory Research (EAGER) mechanisms.
- **NSF Application Checklist** – The NSF Application Checklist form is no longer a form required to be submitted with each application. Rather, it has been converted to a Checklist for use by the organization in conducting an administrative review, prior to electronic submission.