



New NIH Policy on Resubmission Applications

NIH has announced a change to its policy for submitting resubmission (amended) grant applications in its October 8, 2008 Guide to Grants and Contracts. Beginning with applications intended for the January 25, 2009 and beyond due dates, all original new applications and competing renewal applications will be permitted only a single resubmission (A1). For this and subsequent cohorts of original new and competing renewal applications, any second resubmission (A2) will be administratively withdrawn and not accepted for review. Applicants who fail to receive funding after two submissions may resubmit, but only if the application is fundamentally revised to qualify as new. A new application is expected to be substantially different in content and scope with more significant differences than are normally encountered in an amended application. Note that there is no time limit for the submission of the original and subsequent resubmission.

Original new and competing renewal applications that were submitted prior to January 25, 2009 will be permitted two resubmissions (A1 and A2). For these “grandfathered” applications, NIH expects that any A2 will be submitted no later than January 7, 2011, and NIH will not accept A2 applications after that date.

This policy applies to **all** applications, including applications submitted under the NIH Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) and Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) programs, Career Development Awards, Individual Fellowships, Institutional Training Grants, Resource Grants, Program Projects, and Centers. Currently no resubmissions are permitted for applications received in response to a Request for Applications (RFA) unless it is specified in the Funding Opportunity Announcement, in which case only one resubmission will be permitted.

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-09-003.html>