Announcement: A new version of the NSF Proposal & Award Policies & Procedures Guide (PAPPG), (NSF 14-1) has been issued HERE. The PAPPG is comprised of documents relating to the National Science Foundation’s proposal and award process.

It consists of:

(a) Grant Proposal Guide (GPG) for guidance on the preparation and submission of proposals to NSF; and

(b) Award & Administration Guide (AAG) to guide, manage, and monitor the award and administration of grants and cooperative agreements made by the National Science Foundation.

This new version of the PAPPG will be effective for proposals submitted, or due, on or after February 24, 2014. Significant changes include:

- Addition to the certification regarding Conflict of Interest regarding the appropriate disclosure process;
- Reiteration that indirect costs are not allowed on participant support costs;
- Small-scale pilot of a new environmental impacts process with a few programs, prior to NSF-wide implementation;
- Updated process for program income reporting;
- Numerous clarifications throughout the document.

A by-chapter summary of the changes is provided at the beginning of both the Grant Proposal Guide and the Award & Administration Guide to assist with identifying the changes.

While this version of the PAPPG becomes effective on February 24, 2014, in the interim, the guidelines contained in the current PAPPG (NSF 13-1) continue to apply.

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