

NewsFlash!

Reminder: Due to the recent weather conditions in the northeast, please be aware of the below change in the National Institutes of Health (NIH) [submission policies](#).

If you are submitting a grant application this week, take note of guide notice [NOT-OD-17-041 – Impact of Washington, DC Area Federal Office Operating Status on NIH Grant Application Due Dates](#).

Grant application due dates will now move to the next open business day when the [OPM operating status for Federal offices in the Washington, DC area](#) is:

- Federal Offices Are Closed – Emergency and telework-ready employees must follow their agency's policies
- Open - Early Departure
- Immediate Departure – Federal Offices Are Closed
- Shelter-in-Place

Although many NIH staff choose to telework in lieu of taking leave when NIH is “closed” for inclement weather, NIH cannot guarantee the same level of service and, as such, has decided that moving due dates was the best course of action. During these closures, email is your best bet for communicating with NIH staff. If contacting the eRA Service Desk, be sure to take advantage of their [Web Ticketing](#). Lastly, the NIH [policy for handling closures of your own institutions due to weather or other disasters](#) remains in place and unchanged.

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to your [DCG Officer](#) in the Department of Contracts and Grants.