Deadline(s): NEW: Feb. 5; Jun 5; Oct. 5 RENEWAL/RESUBMISSION: Mar. 5, Jul. 5, Nov. 5
Anticipated Project Start Date(s): December 1; April 1; July 1
Budget: Unlimited for up to 5 Years; however most typical is $250,000/year. Direct costs over $250,000/year require a detailed R&R Budget and Budget Narrative. Direct costs over $500,000/year require prior NIH approval.
The following checklist is for the Research Project Grant (Parent R01), PA-13-302. The R01 is the NIH’s most commonly used grant program and is used to support a discrete, specified, circumscribed research project. When applying for a program-specific R01, please make sure that you and your assigned Grants Officer review the guidelines thoroughly for any additional requirements and/or variations. Your Grants Officer will download the Grants.gov package, but you are responsible for providing the items below (Word or PDF format).

Formatting (from the SF_424 Guide):
Font: Arial (preferred), Helvetica, Palatino Linotype, or Georgia; 11 pt. font or larger; black ink only. The symbol font may be used to insert Greek letters or special characters.
Type density: no more than 6 lines per vertical inch and no more than 15 characters per inch.
Margins: minimum one-half inch
Spacing: space between paragraphs and headings in bold. Do not use headers/footers.
Title Length: The NIH limits project title character length to 200 characters, including spaces.

Scope: The NIH is comprised of Institutes and Centers that support specific areas of health-related research and almost all Institutes and Centers at the NIH fund R01 grants. Research grant applications are assigned to an Institute or Center based on receipt and referral guidelines, and many applications are assigned to multiple Institutes and Centers as interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary research is encouraged. Each Institute and Center maintains a website with funding opportunities and areas of interest. These should be reviewed carefully. Contact with an Institute or Center representative may help focus the research plan based on an understanding of the mission of the Institute or Center.
For additional information on the R01 application: http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/funding/r01.htm

PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT YOUR IC OF INTEREST SUPPORTS THE R01 MECHANISM BEFORE YOU SUBMIT. IT IS ALSO RECOMMENDED THAT YOU CONTACT THE APPROPRIATE NIH PROGRAM OFFICER PRIOR TO PROPOSAL SUBMISSION IN ORDER TO ENSURE THE “BEST FIT”.

ITEMS REQUIRED BY THE NIH: for individual component detail, the page numbers (below) reference the SF 424 Guide.*
Research & Related Project Performance Site Locations: All project sites must be included
_____ Abstract/Project Summary: 30 line maximum, self-contained description of the project which includes a statement of objectives and methods to be employed (not a summary of accomplishments). State the application’s broad, long-term objectives and specific aims, making reference to the mission of the agency. Will be public domain. p. I-76
_____ Appendix (attachment) cannot be used to circumvent page limits. pp.I-144—I-145
_____ Bibliography & References Cited: No page limit; list all authors in the sequence appearing in the publication. P. I-77
_____ Biographical Sketch (attachment; 5 page limit for each Senior/Key personnel) Please note that there are new requirements for the NIH Biosketch. Go here for complete instructions: http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-15-032.html. Applications with non-compliant biosketches will be rejected by the NIH. pp. I-88—I-89
_____ Budget Justification (attachment) List all personnel, effort, project role and contribution, no salary information. p. I-127**
_____ Cover Letter (attachment) Optional, but encouraged if a particular institute or study section is desired. pp. I-64—I-65
_____ Equipment: List of major equipment already available for project; list location and pertinent capabilities. p. I-78
_____ Facilities & Other Resources: Identify and describe facilities to be used (lab, animal, computer, etc.). Describe how the scientific environment in which the research will be done contributes to the probability of success. pp. I-77—I-78
_____ Human Subjects (if applicable: Protection of Human Subjects; Inclusion of Women & Minorities; Targeted/Planned Enrollment Table (form); Inclusion of Children) For complete, detailed instructions, see pp. I-135—I-136
_____ Introduction (for resubmissions or revisions only) 1 page limit. p. I-131
_____ Letters of Support (attachment) p. I-141
_____ Narrative (Public Relevance Statement): In 2 – 3 sentences, describe in language for lay audience the relevance of this research to public health. Will be public domain. p. I-77

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_____ **Research Strategy** *(attachment)* 12 page max; *(a. significance, b. innovation, c. approach)* For complete, detailed instructions, please see pp. I-133—I-134

_____ **Resource Sharing Plan** *(attachment)* pp. I-142—I-143

_____ **Specific Aims** *(attachment)* 1 page limit; Concisely state the project goals and summarize expected outcome. p. I-132

_____ **Vertebrate Animals** *(attachment; if applicable)* address five points as listed on pp. I-137—I-138

* For complete detailed instructions of each required component, it is recommended that you consult the SF_424 Guide. There may be variations from the guide, based on the Program Announcement. Your Grants Officer can help you with this.

**NEW:** Although the Modular Budget does not require a detailed budget, a Banner-compliant budget is required before expenditure of awarded funds. MURC recommends that a detailed budget be prepared prior to submission. *All budgets must be reviewed by the Grants Officer.*

**OTHER REQUIRED ITEMS:**

_____ **Authorization to Submit (ATS) Form**: The ATS form must be routed for administrative approval and signature prior to proposal submission.

_____ **Significant Financial Interest Disclosure (SFID)**: In accordance with the revised federal FCOI regulation, 42 CFR 50 subpart F, the PI and all Key Research personnel who contribute in a substantive way to the development or execution of a project must have an SFID on file in the ORI (office of Research Integrity) before your application can be submitted to the NIH. Please contact Amy Melton, 304-696-4365, amy.melton@marshall.edu if you require assistance or have questions concerning the completion of the SFID form.

_____ **Conflict of Interest (COI) Training**: In accordance with the revised FCOI regulation, 42 CFR 50 subpart F, all PI’s and Key Research Personnel who contribute in a substantive way to the development or execution of a project must complete the CITI COI course upon receipt of award and before account set up/expenditure of funds.

If your project involves the following***:

_____ **Human Subjects**: submit protocol to: Bruce Day 304-696-4303 day50@marshall.edu

_____ **Vertebrate Animals**: submit protocol to: Monica Valentovic 304-696-7332 valentov@marshall.edu

_____ **Hazardous Materials**: submit protocol to: Nathan Douglas 304-696-3461 douglas2@marshall.edu

_____ **Radioactive Materials**: submit protocol to: William McCumbee 304-696-7366 mccumbee@marshall.edu

_____ **rDNA, Infectious Agents or Blood borne Pathogens**: submit protocol to: Don Primerano 304-696-7388 primeran@marshall.edu

***Protocols must be approved before awarded funds may be expended.

Upon notification of intent to apply, your Grants Officer will begin to prepare your Grants.gov package. Please send required documents to your Grants Officer as you complete them. Documents received at the last minute run the risk of being rejected by the NIH for non-compliance.

All Key Personnel, including Graduate Students****, must have an eraCommons account or the NIH will reject the application. These accounts must be set up by Lisa Daniels (adkins244@marshall.edu) prior to proposal submission. It is the account holder’s responsibility to ensure that the information in the eraCommons profile is accurate.

****NEW: As of October 2, 2014, all graduate students working on an NIH-funded research project will need to have eraCommons ID in order to fulfill the upcoming reporting requirement which must include a section to describe how individual development plans are used to identify and promote the career goals of graduate students and postdoctoral researchers associated with the award.

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It is also important to submit EARLY, as the NIH has eliminated the 2-day correction window (NOT-OD-11-035). For more information on post-submission materials, visit: NOT-OD-10-115 Applications cannot be changed, corrected or resubmitted once the deadline has expired. No exceptions. **SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION EARLY!**

APPLICANTS MUST FOLLOW ALL DEPARTMENTAL/COLLEGE PROCEDURES PERTAINING TO INTERNAL REVIEW.

When applicable, proof of internal review must be attached before submission.

QUESTIONS? **Contact your assigned Grants Officer**