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Significant Changes to the NSF PAPPG 17-1

(NSF SUBMISSION RULES HAVE BEEN ALTERED!)

Starting on January 30, 2017, all grant submissions to the National Science Foundation (NSF) must follow the Proposal & Award Policies & Procedures Guide (PAPPG) 17-1. Below are the **highlights** of the significant changes to the PAPPG Part I. For a full list of significant changes please see: https://www.nsf.gov/pubs/policydocs/pappg17_1/sigchanges.jsp

Highlights: Significant Changes to the PAPPG Part I

- **Chapter II.B**, Format of the Proposal, has been updated to include **two new types of proposals, RAISE and GOALI**. These two types of proposals are described in greater detail in Chapter II.E.
- **Chapter II.C.1.e**, Collaborators & Other Affiliations Information, includes additional instructions for proposers. Each section of the Collaborators & Other Affiliations Information should be listed alphabetically by last name. *The text has also been revised to remove the requirement that proposers list postgraduate scholar sponsors in this section of the proposal.* Postgraduate scholar sponsor is not a disqualifying relationship for a reviewer, therefore, it was determined that this information is not

necessary. [\(If you applied previously to NSF, you will need to revise your Collaborators & Other Affiliations document to reflect this change.\)](#)

- **Chapter II.C.2**, Sections of the Proposal, has been revised to inform proposers that proposal preparation for *RAPID, EAGER, RAISE, GOALI, Ideas Lab, FASED, Conference, Equipment, Travel, Center, Research Infrastructure and Fellowship projects* **may deviate from the content requirements of a full research proposal.**
- **Chapter II.C.2.g(vi)**, Other Direct Costs, has been updated to include information on *incentive payments*, for example, payments to human subjects or incentives to promote completion of a survey. These costs should be included on line G6 of the NSF Budget and should be proposed in accordance with organizational policies and procedures. **Indirect costs should be calculated on incentive payments in accordance with the organization's approved US Federally negotiated indirect cost rate(s).**
- **Chapter II.D**, *Special Processing Instructions*, has been revised to address areas where special proposal processing may be required. Information on RAPID, EAGER, Ideas Lab, FASED, Equipment, Conference, and Travel Proposals has been moved to Chapter II.E.
- **Chapter II.D.5**, Proposals Involving *Human Subjects*, has been updated to reflect the Foundation's implementation of 45 CFR 690.118, applications and proposals lacking definite plans for involvement of human subjects. A hypertext link is provided to an NSF-approved format that may be used to submit such determinations by proposing institutions. Clarification has also been added regarding the IRB documentation that NSF must have in order to make an award when proposals involve human subjects. [\(If human participants are involved in your project, please contact the UWG Compliance Officer at 678-839-4749.\)](#)
- **Chapter II.E**, Types of Proposals, has been added to describe, in one place, the various other types of proposals that can be submitted to NSF,

including the two new types, RAISE and GOALI. *This section includes proposal preparation instructions for each of the types of proposal that may supplement or deviate from the guidance provided elsewhere in Chapter II.*



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