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Re: NSF Proposal & Award Policies & Procedures Guide- Effective
To: 11/14/17 All – Faculty

Good morning - If you plan on submitting to NSF after January 29, 2018, see information below.

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Dear Colleagues:

We are pleased to announce that a revised version of the NSF *Proposal & Award Policies & Procedures Guide* (PAPPG), (NSF 18-1) has been issued.

The new PAPPG will be effective for **proposals submitted, or due, on or after January 29, 2018**. Significant changes include:

- Addition of a new eligibility subcategory on international branch campuses of U.S. Institutions of Higher Education;
- Revision of eligibility standards for foreign organizations;
- Implementation of the standard Collaborators and Other Affiliations (COA) template that has been in pilot phase since April;
- Increase in the Budget Justification page limitation from three pages to five pages;
- Restructuring of coverage on grantee notifications to and requests for approval from NSF, including referral to the Prior Approval Matrix available on the NSF website; and
- Numerous clarifications and other changes throughout the document.

You are encouraged to review the by-chapter summary of changes provided in the Introduction section of the PAPPG.

A webinar to brief the community on the new PAPPG will be held on **December 8 at 2 PM EST**. Sign up to be notified when registration is available on the outreach notifications website, by selecting "All NSF Grants and Policy Outreach Events & Notifications."

While this version of the PAPPG becomes effective on January 29, 2018, in the interim, the guidelines contained in the current PAPPG (NSF 17-1) continue to apply. We will ensure that the current version of the PAPPG remains on the NSF website, with a notation to proposers that specifies when the new PAPPG (including a link to the new Guide) will become effective.

If you have any questions regarding these changes, please contact the Policy Office on (703) 292-8243 or by e-mail to policy@nsf.gov.

Regards,
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