Quarterly Research Administrators Meeting
Office of Research Administration
April 21, 2016

Agenda

➢ Research Administrator Portal (RAP)
  • Laurianne Torres

➢ RACI Closeout & Implementation Teams
  • Team Updates

➢ Office of Research Administration (ORA)
  • Michael Dickman
    » ORA News & Reminders
    » Sponsor Related News and/or Tidbits
    » Miscellaneous News and/or Tidbits
Sponsor Related News and Tidbits

eRA Commons Roles

- eRA Commons accounts are set up with specific roles
- There are Administrative and Scientific roles.

**Administrative**
- AA – Account Administrator
- AO – Administrative Official
- ASST – Assistant
- BO – Business Official
- SO – Signing Official

**Scientific**
- Graduate Student
- IAR – Internet Assisted Review
- PI - Principal Investigator
- Post-Doc
- Project Personnel
- Scientist
- Sponsor
- Trainee
- Undergraduate Student

https://era.nih.gov/files/eRA_Commons_Roles.pdf
eRA Commons Roles

- Each Department has a person(s) with the authority to set up and modify eRA Commons accounts
- Don’t combine scientific roles with administrative or other roles on the same account
  - Other combinations are fine (e.g., PI and IAR; AO and FSR)
  - A person needing both scientific and administrative roles should have two separate accounts (one for scientific roles and another for other roles)
- The FOA may specify required eRA Commons roles for participants in an application
- Incorrect roles will cause grant applications to receive errors
  - Pay careful attention to subaward senior/key personnel!

K-Award

Other Support

- Proposal Stage for Mentored K
  - Modified OS is required with proposal for mentors/co-mentors.
  - Selected items, relevant to the candidate’s research
  - No effort or overlap (does not require ORA review)
- Just In Time
  - Complete OS for candidate, mentor(s), other Sr./Key Personnel
- Progress Report
  - Active OS for Candidate, mentor, co-mentor, other Sr./Key
  - Only if OS has changed since last submission
- SF424 Application Guide Section 7.4 (always follow FOA specific instructions, which may differ from these general instructions)
**K Awards**

**Effort Reductions**

- K Award salary costs are restricted; allowance is determined by institute
- Case Study
  - PI proposed effort at 12 calendar months
  - PI received promotion and raise after submission
  - After award, PI reduced effort 24.9% to 9 months
    - Cover raise
    - Planned carryover

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**NOT-OD-16-066**

**Final Invention Statement and Certification**

- All awardee institutions must submit Final Invention Statement (Form HHS 568) at the conclusion of a grant or contract
- All subject inventions must be reported in iEdison
  - iEdison (Interagency Edison) is an online tool to report government funded inventions to the federal agency who made the award
  - Failure to report on inventions using HHS 568 and iEdison may result in organization’s loss of rights in the invention or other actions as appropriate.
Forms D (NIH & AHRQ)

- We are reminded that the start date for the mandatory use of FORMS-D is May 25, 2016
  - Must use FORMS-D for due dates on or after May 25, 2016
  - Must use FORMS-C for due dates on or before May 24, 2016.
- Grants.Duke will be ready for use of the new forms by late April
- Please work with your RA if you have questions regarding the use of the new forms.

NIH & AHRQ Grant Application Changes for Due Dates On or After May 25

- Rigor and transparency in research grant applications (including small business and complex research grant applications) - NOT-OD-16-011 and NOT-OD-16-012
- Vertebrate animals (NIH only) - NOT-OD-16-006
- Inclusion Enrollment Report Form – new, consolidated
- Data Safety Monitoring Plans – required for clinical trials
- Research Training - NOT-OD-16-007
- PHS Awarding Component and Peer Review Requests - NOT-OD-16-008
- New Font Guidelines - NOT-OD-16-009
- Biosketch Clarifications - NOT-OD-16-080
**Clarifications and Consolidated Biosketch Instructions and Format Pages**

- Indicate that a URL for a publication list is optional and, if provided, must be to a government website (.gov) like My Bibliography.
- Allow publications (peer-reviewed and non-peer-reviewed) and research products to be cited in both the personal statement and the contributions to science sections.
- State that graphics, figures and tables are not allowed.
- Remove the requirement that the past 3 years of research support are listed in order of relevance.
- Option to add other names used to author research products in section A.
- Research products can include conference proceedings such as meeting abstracts, posters, or other presentations.
- Research products that are under development, such as manuscripts that have not yet been accepted for publication, can be mentioned in the narrative sections. However, they cannot be cited as one of their citations.

**ORA News and Reminders**
Selecting the correct form set in Grants.duke

- Click on the Opportunity tab
- Select the correct competition ID (Forms-C or Forms-D)

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Additional Attachments to PHS 398 Research Plan

- Data Safety Monitoring Plan in Human Subjects
- Authentication of Key Biological and/or Chemical Resources in Other Research Plan
Additional Questions about Vertebrate Animals

- Are vertebrate animals euthanized? Yes/No
- If Yes, is method consistent with AVMA guidelines? Yes/No (conditional on 'Animals Euthanized' field)
- If No to AVMA guidelines, describe method/provide scientific justification (conditional on 'Consistent with AVMA' guidelines field)
- In SPS Web, a new section will be added to the IACUC tab to house the new fields.

Career Development (K-Award)

- Added attachment for Candidate Information and Goals for Career Development
  - Combines “Candidate’s Background”, “Career Goals and Objectives”, and “Candidate’s Plan for Career Development/Training Activities during Award Period” into a single document

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Combining the Planned Enrollment Report and Inclusion Enrollment Report

Additions to the report:
- Delayed onset study? Yes/No
- Enrollment Type? Planned/Cumulative (Actual)
- Using an Existing Dataset or Resource? Yes/No
- Participants Location? Domestic/Foreign – Note: Field already exists in Planned Enrollment table; does not exist in Cumulative Enrollment table
- Clinical Trial? Yes/No – Note: Field already exists in the Proposal record
- NIH-Defined Phase III Clinical Trial? Yes/No – Note: Field already exists in the Proposal record

- Clicking on “Enrollment Information – Edit/View icon” in Grants.Duke
- Link sends you to SPS to complete table
  - The alert box that included the link to SPS Web to edit enrollment data is being removed
PHS Assignment Requests

- NIH is adding a new template as a part of Forms D which will be used to capture the following information:
  - Funding component assignment preference
  - Study section preference
  - Individuals who should not review your application due to conflicts
  - Scientific areas of expertise need to review your application

Note: This information was previously included in the Cover Letter which was attached to SF424 R&R Cover Page template.

Budget notebook – Program Income

- Up to 10 budget periods of Program Income allowed
  - Previously 5
- ‘Add Program Income’ link used to add up to 10 rows
R&R Subaward Adobe Budget packet

- Must be downloaded directly from the FOA
- Only edit in Adobe Reader
- Do not ‘print’ to a pdf file
- Check subrecipient for effort listed for all Sr/Key persons
- Justification must be pdf format (not MS Word)
- All years of the Project Period must be included, even if the subawardee isn’t participating in one or more years
- Review packet for accuracy including:
  - DUNS number is correct subawardee
  - Budget amounts
  - Budget periods (adding years copies first year budget period)
  - Should not be modular

Online Web Form

- Web Form Functionality
  - No inbox
  - Cannot be marked urgent
  - Does not forward if someone is OOO
- Appropriate contact (Grants, Federal Contracts, industry, DOCR)
- No longer used for NCE
- Do not use for contracts
  - Use contracts management email for agreements (email)
Administrative Action Request

Reminder: submit only one Administrative Action Request (AAR) form for each type of action

Examples:
- Multiple WBSE Requests (when using more than one WBSE Request form) on one project – use 1 AAR form to submit the first 3, and send the additional forms via email to the RA.
- If selected ORA contact is OOO, forward AAR confirmation email to backup support. Do not need to resubmit new AAR and select new ORA contact

Please do not submit an AAR to follow up on an AAR

NCE Tool

- **Duke Approved vs. Sponsor Approved**
  - Depends on who has the authority to extend the project
  - Example: Foundation sponsor has sent PI an email extending project one year based on conversation at a conference. Dept. attaches confirmation email to NCE request and indicates as Duke or Sponsor approved?

- **Central Office vs Department Submitting Request to the Sponsor**
  - ORA defaults to department to submit NCE request to Sponsor
  - If ORA submitting request, department must include contact information in NCE memo field
  - When ORA approves NCE, auto-generated email will indicate who ORA expects to submit the request
Rebaddresses are created/initiated by the department. If initiated rebudget is no longer needed, only the initiator can delete the rebudget.

**Question:**
What happens if the initiator leaves their position in the department or leaves Duke all together?

**Solution:**
The Business Manager may place a ticket to the OIT Help desk to have the rebudget deleted. ORA cannot delete the rebudget.

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**FDP Subrecipient Commitment Form**

- **pilot project participation**
  - 40 institutions participating in pilot
  - Reduce administrative burden between institutions
  - Those participating must use FDP website to obtain sub’s institutional information in lieu of multi-page form
  - ORA will push back on pilot institutions that are asking for forms
  - Information and participants are located at:
    http://sites.nationalacademies.org/PGA/fdp/PGA_171520
F&A Overrides in SPS Web

- **Subrecipient F&A**
  - Provide the name(s) for any sub-recipient that has already reached the $25,000 threshold in a prior year
  - Denote what portion of the sub-recipient’s $25,000 base is subject to F&A in the current year
  - Each sub-recipient’s F&A assessment is “separately” determined based upon each new scope of work
  - Demonstrate how you computed the F&A by providing notes in budget memo, including a spreadsheet if needed

F&A Overrides in SPS Web

- **For Cases Where The F&A Rate is Less Than Full Recovery**
  - Please consult the School of Medicine’s F&A Rate and Guidelines to determine if a waiver is needed
    https://finance.duke.edu/research/monitoring/farates.php
  - Use The Total Direct Costs [TDC] Based Instead of The Modified Total Direct Cost [MTDC] Base
  - Note: Even if the mathematical computation in the proposal process is the same, due to re-budgeting on the post award side the F&A Base selected is important!
Other Electronic Submission Systems

- **Sponsors that have their own submission systems that do not connect to grants.duke**
  - Department is responsible for assuring and attesting that both systems agree
    - Key personnel
    - Total direct costs and total F&A
      - Attach the sponsor financial summary documents in the internal documents section of SPS Web
  - If a proposal is routed to ORA without sufficient time to resolve variances between systems prior to the submission deadline, ORA will file the proposal at the department’s risk

Collaborate Early

- **Working with outside organizations**
  - SF424 packages for sub-recipients
    - Department acts as liaison with sub-site during pre-award
    - Department is responsible for accuracy of subaward package
  - Letters of intent/support for consultants
  - Quotes for vendors
  - Special applications
    - Multi-institution applications
Collaborate Early

➤ Working with ORA
  • Not just 7 business days
  • Keep your ORA point of contact informed regarding your application submission plans
  • Hours of operation are 8 am to 5 pm M-F
  • Staff work schedules vary – 7 am to 6 pm M-F
  • ORA role is to act as the liaison between the department and the PI and/or their designee and not as the substitute for the departmental representative
  • ORA will not make changes to last minute applications

➤ Working with Sponsors
  • Prior approvals
    » Limited submission
    » Requesting more than $500K
  • Use the Check feature in grants.duke throughout the proposal process as you upload attachments to identify any unexpected error messages
  • Allow adequate time to resolve validation issues
    » NIH allows 2 business days up to deadline
    » After 2 business days, application must be formally withdrawn
  • If there are problems with the transmission the department may need to file a help ticket with the eRA Commons help desk
Miscellaneous News and/or Tidbits

Professional Development Opportunities

- Duke Education & Training Opportunities can be found and registered at:
  - Mandatory for RCC certifications: FY16 Management of Selected Post Award Issues (MSPAI) classes have been scheduled

- Professional Conferences:
  - NCURA Region III – Miramar, FL; April 29 - May 4, 2016
  - NIH Regional – Baltimore, MD; May 11-13, 2016
  - NCURA Annual – Washington DC; August 7-10, 2016
  - SRA Annual Meeting – San Antonio, TX; October 22-26, 2016

- Next Research Administration Quarterly Meeting
  - July 2016
**ORA Personnel Update**

- **Arrivals**
  - Teresa Chicarelli, Staff Specialist
  - Ping Niou, Research Administrator – Contracting
  - Virginia Wallace, Research Administrator – Contracting

- **Departures**
  - George Curnow
  - Katherine Scott

- **Openings**
  - Research Administrator – Grants
  - Research Administration Manager – Contracts

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**LMS Registration & Credit**

**Patience with the Process, Please**

If you are not on the roster &/or signed up less than 2 business days prior to our meeting, give us 2 business days to add you to the system (remember to sign in legibly & with Net ID)

Those who did not sign in will be listed as ‘no shows’ in LMS within 3 business days ($100 fee N/A)
LMS Credit & Survey

Patience with the Process, Please

To receive credit, each person who signed in will be sent a Qualtrics “By Invitation Only” link

This link can be only be used once per person (Qualtrics records your information)

Please put some thought into your responses – we need your input

Note: The credit should be listed in LMS within 14 days after survey is completed

Questions?

Please state your name and department