**Update: Significant Changes and Clarifications to the NSF Proposal & Award Policies & Procedures Guide (PAPPG)**

The purpose of this document is to provide an update to NSF’s upcoming changes to their Proposal & Award Policies & Procedures Guide (PAPPG). Individuals (Principal Investigators, Department Administrators, Contract and Grant Administrators, etc) involved in the proposal preparation process are encouraged to review this document and any related information prior to routing the NSF proposal to the UNM OSP via Cayuse SP.

Please note that this document supplements the NSF’s Significant Changes and Clarification to the PAPPG document that can be found on the NSF website [**http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/policydocs/pappguide/nsf16001/sigchanges.jsp**](http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/policydocs/pappguide/nsf16001/sigchanges.jsp).

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| Change | Summary |
| **05:00:00 PM** | NSF will reject proposals submitted after 5:00:00 PM submitter’s local time. Recommend working with OSP very early in the process to avoid rejected proposals based on the time stamp. |
| Authorized Organizational Representative (AOR) | UNM OSP is the AOR and will need to provide proposal certifications concurrently with the submission of the proposal and sign and submit proposal file updates and revised budgets. UNM OSP is the only entity that can withdraw on behalf of UNM. Recommend communicating with OSP to ensure the correct actions are taking place. |
| **Proposal Certification: Dual Use Research Of Concern** | Proposal certifications have a new certification regarding Dual Use Research of Concern. All Principal Investigators intending to work with select agents or toxins must work directly with the UNM Biosafety Office early in the process of proposal development for guidance. See additional attachment called "UNM Guidance: Dual Use Research of Concern" |
| New Section: Dual Use Research Of Concern (DURC) | A new section for Dual Use Research of Concern has been included per NSF’s implementation of the US Government Policy for Institutional Oversight of Life Sciences Dual Use Research of Concern. |
| **Biographical\_Sketch\_1.pdf** | Biographical sketches must be uploaded for each senior personnel identified on the proposal as a separate document. Recommend using a common naming convention to ensure that all senior personnel have a corresponding Biographical Sketch (e.g. 1234-BIOSKT-John-Smith.pdf). |
| Collaborator\_And\_Other\_Affiliation\_Information.pdf | Collaborator and other affiliation information must be uploaded as a separate document. |
| **Current\_And\_Pending\_Support\_1.pdf** | Current and pending support must be uploaded for each senior personal identified on the proposal as a separate document. Recommend using a common naming convention to ensure that all senior personnel have a corresponding current and pending support (e.g. 1234-CPSupport-John-Smith.pdf). |