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### 1 Participant Support Costs Training

OSP has arranged for the following NCURA webinar to be added to the OSP training program.

- **NCURA Webinar: Participant Support Costs: An Overview of Dos and Don’ts**
  - An overview of participant support costs and why they are special
  - Learn about regulations governing participant support costs
  - Learn how to budget, set up, and manage participant support costs
  - Learn how to prepare for an audit of sponsored projects with participant support costs

- Information regarding how to view this video will be published in an August OSP News and Updates newsletter.

### 2 Great Article on Research Administration in Nature

Read the article: [We’re problem solvers: research administrators offer guidance to working scientists](#).

*Nature is a weekly international journal publishing research-related articles in all fields of science and technology.*
3 RESEARCH SUPPORT

- **NIGMS Funding for Investigators with Substantial Research Support**
  
  - NIGMS has recently provided updated guidance on how funding decisions will be made for all investigators with high levels of funding. NIGMS considers $1,500,000 in annual total costs from all sources to be a high level of funding.
  
  - Review the full notice: [NOT-GM-21-053 Updated NIGMS Guidelines for Funding Investigators with Substantial Other Research Support](#)

4 OSP AUGUST BROWN BAG

It’s summer recess for the August Brown Bag meeting and the next meeting is scheduled for September 9th! We’ll be sending out invitations for the September meeting closer to the event. Have a great summer!

5 REMINDER: eRA WILL REQUIRE THE USE OF LOGIN.GOV TO ACCESS eRA COMMONS, ASSIST, IAR AND COMMONS MOBILE IN 2021

Users will be required to use two-factor authentication (2FA) through login.gov to access eRA Commons, ASSIST, Internet Assisted Review (IAR), and Commons Mobile by September 15, 2021. This secure 2FA allows users to log in to four different grants systems (eRA, Grants.gov, GrantSolutions.gov and Payment Management System) using the same login.gov credentials.

eRA is first phasing in the requirement for reviewers using IAR. The new requirement started being phased in on December 14, 2020, for reviewers, meeting by meeting, effective for review meetings February 1, 2021 and beyond. As reviewers are enabled for meetings, their accounts will be transitioned to require login.gov to access IAR.

All users of eRA Commons, ASSIST, IAR and Commons Mobile are encouraged to switch to 2FA through login.gov now, before the mandatory deadline of September 2021.

For more information on making 2FA a requirement, please see Guide Notice [NOT-OD-21-040](#) as well as the [How-to flyer](#).
6 OSP TRAINING

Instructor-Led Training (ILT): Upcoming Classes

View the OSP Grants and Contract TMS training website for an overview of all OSP classes. Use the links below to view specific course descriptions or to register for a class (VPN required). Registrations close several days prior to the class start date.

- August 9: Research Compliance Principles for Administrators
- August 12: NIH K Award Fundamentals: Q&A New
  - NIH K Award Fundamentals online training (below) is a prerequisite for this Q&A session.
- August 16: Introduction to Sponsored Projects Administration (4 sessions)
- August 31, Sept 1, 2: IRES Proposal Development (PD) (3 sessions)

Online self-paced learning

The following OSP training courses are available online. If after taking an online course you have questions regarding training content, email osp.trainings@yale.edu and we will forward your question to the appropriate subject matter expert.

- Allocating Allowable Costs - Online
- Clinical Trials: Create a Clinical Trial Record in PD
- Cost Transfer Principles - Online - this course is in the process of being updated to reflect recent University policy changes. We’ll let you know when this course is back online in an upcoming OSP News & Updates email.
- Direct Charging of F&A Type Costs on Sponsored Awards - Online
- Export Compliance (CITI Program) - Online
- IRES Proposal Tracking (PT) Overview - Online
- NIH K Award Fundamentals - Online New
- Subrecipient Basics and Monitoring - Online
- What Research Staff Need to Know About Spending Sponsored Projects Funds - Online

7 CHANGES TO LOGGING INTO NCBI ACCOUNTS

Upcoming changes from NCBI regarding how you log into NCBI accounts:

Do you log into NCBI to use MyNCBI, SciENcv, or MyBibliography? Do you submit data to NCBI? Beginning in June 2021, there will be changes to how you log into these and all other NCBI accounts.
What’s happening?
NCBI is transitioning from using local account passwords (the password you created at NCBI) for logging into NCBI to using only 3rd-party logins (your username and password from Google, Login.gov, ORCiD, your university or research institution account, etc.).

What about my account data?
This change will NOT affect the data in your account, such as your MyBibliography, SciENcv, or submission data. You will also keep your NCBI Username, you just won’t be able to log in with it anymore.

Why is this happening?
NIH, NLM, and NCBI take your privacy and security very seriously. Transitioning to 3rd parties who have industry-standard security practices ensures that you have the highest level of security and enables us to focus our resources on improving your experience once you log in.

Which 3rd party logins can I use?
We have over 4000 3rd-party options for you to choose from, including Login.gov, ORCiD, Google, Microsoft, and InCommon and EduGain affiliated organizations. See: Choosing the Best 3rd-Party Option for You

What is happening when?
Summer 2021 - As of June 22, users are no longer be able to create an account with an NCBI-managed password. Shortly afterward, we will be launching a software tool (“wizard”) to walk you through the process of disabling your NCBI password and linking a 3rd-party login. We are rolling out the wizard gradually this summer, so you may not see it right away.

June 2022 - Any accounts without valid 3rd-party logins linked to them will no longer be accessible through NCBI login pages. The data in the accounts will be preserved and procedures will be available for data recovery.

What do I need to do?
NCBI suggests linking at least one 3rd-party login to your account now and starting to use it to log into NCBI. By acting now, you will ensure no difficulties or delays in accessing your accounts come June 2022 when special procedures will be required to access accounts without linked 3rd-party logins. For directions, see: How do I link 3rd-party logins to my NCBI account?
We are here to help!
Read the NCBI Account Login FAQs for more information. If you have any questions or encounter issues, you can always write the Help Desk or email info@ncbi.nlm.nih.gov.

8 REMINDER REGARDING RECIPIENT AND APPLICANT GRANTS POLICY RELATED INQUIRIES

NIH issued Notice Number NOT-OD-21-151: Reminder Regarding Recipient and Applicant Grants Policy Related Inquiries to remind the research community of best practices regarding submission of policy related inquires to NIH. Click the following link to view Notice NOT-OD-21-151 in its entirety.

9 NOTICE OF INFORMATION: GUIDANCE REGARDING MINIMUM LEVEL OF EFFORT FOR NCI-FUNDED AWARDS

The NIH National Cancer Institute (NCI) issued Notice NOT-CA-21-096 to provide information and guidance on the minimum level of effort that will be part of funding consideration for NCI-funded grants. Click the following link to view NCI Notice NOT-CA-21-096 in its entirety.

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