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1 JULY BROWN BAG MEETING: WHAT’S ON YOUR MIND

A portion of the July 14th Brown Bag meeting will be devoted to What’s on Your Mind: Questions from the Community. Submit your questions for the Q&A session via email to osp.trainings@yale.edu. Additional meeting topics are still being planned.

The deadline for submitting questions is 3:00pm on Friday, June 10th.

2 OSP TRAINING

In accordance with University guidance, instructor-led in-person classes have been cancelled indefinitely but we are now offering classes via Zoom. New dates for distance learning sessions will be appearing on the TMS registration website soon. If you are interested in a Zoom class but don’t see a date, contact: osp.trainings@yale.edu.

Online training is available for many of the OSP courses on the OSP TMS website. Feel free to preview class presentations for all OSP training courses on the OSP Research Administrators training website.
3 Reminder – IRES PD, PT, COI – Planned Outage for Application Upgrade

The message below was sent out to all IRES PD/PT users on June 30, 2020.

Good Afternoon All,

Beginning at 5pm on Thursday August 20, 2020, IRES-PD, PT and COI will be unavailable due to an application upgrade. It will be available again for use at 7am on Monday August 24, 2020.

This upgrade will perform important standard maintenance. There will not be changes to functionality or look and feel of the application.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us at: IRES@yale.edu

Research Enterprise Operations apologizes for the inconvenience and appreciates your patience during this essential maintenance.

Thank you, IRES Support.

4 Highlighted Sponsor Updates

4.1 Changes to Handling of Applications Submitted to Program Announcements with Special Receipt, Referral, and/or Review Considerations (PAR) and Program Announcements with Set-Aside Funds (PAS)

The following Notice was issued by the NIH on June 16.

The purpose of NIH Notice Number: NOT-OD-20-114 is to inform the research community of changes in the handling of applications submitted in response to Program Announcements with special receipt, referral, and/or review considerations (PARs) and Program Announcements with set-aside funds (PASs).

Unlike Parent Announcements that are broad FOAs allowing applicants to submit an investigator-initiated application, PARs and PASs highlight areas of specific scientific interest by one or more Institutes, Centers, and Offices (ICO). ICOs issuing PARs or PASs may now choose to describe within the Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) criteria that would make an application non-responsive to the PAR/PAS.
Only applications to PARs and PASs that include non-responsive criteria will be evaluated by the ICOs upon receipt for non-responsiveness. These non-responsive criteria will be listed in the Funding Opportunity Description section (Part 2, Section 1). Those applications that are deemed non-responsive will be withdrawn from review.

Applicants to PARs and PASs with non-responsive criteria included are strongly encouraged to contact the applicable Program Official (i.e., Scientific Contact) listed on the FOA to discuss the proposed project and fit to the FOA as soon as possible.

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