

### ***Biomedical Safety***

As with research involving human subjects, reviewers are expected to apply the collective standards of their professions in identifying potential hazards such as inappropriate handling of chemical carcinogens, infectious agents, and radioactive or explosive material. If applications pose special hazards, these hazards will be identified, and any concerns about the adequacy of safety procedures will be high-lighted in the summary statement “Critique section(s).”

*No award will be made until all concerns about the hazardous conditions have been resolved to the satisfaction of the NIH.*

In the case of research involving human immunodeficiency virus, researchers are expected to follow the latest Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommendations and guidelines for health care workers and laboratory personnel.

In research involving recombinant DNA, assessment of an applicant’s compliance with PHS guidelines is the responsibility of the NIH Office of Recombinant DNA Activities.