

NCI Guidelines for Administrative Supplements to Promote Re-Entry into Biomedical and Behavioral Research Careers

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This initiative is one of several being offered by National Cancer Institute (NCI) to help fulfill the goals of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) to help stimulate the economy through support of biomedical and behavioral research. Additional information the Recovery Act and related NIH opportunities is available through the [Office of Extramural Research](#).

Areas of Scientific Priority:

The purpose of this program is to encourage individuals with high potential to re-enter an active research career after a qualifying interruption for family or other responsibilities. This program will provide administrative supplements to existing NCI research grants for the purpose of supporting full-time or part-time research by these individuals in a program geared to bring their existing research skills and knowledge up to date. An objective of the program is to mentor and guide those who receive support to reestablish careers in biomedical, behavioral, clinical or social science research. It is anticipated that at the completion of the supplement, the re-entry scientist will be in a position to apply for a career development (K) award, a research award (R), or some other form of independent research support.

Eligibility:

Mechanisms: R01; R24; R43; R44; P01; P20; P30; P40; P41; P50; U01; U10; U19; U41; U42; U56; U54; SC1

Currently funded PD/PI of grant mechanisms listed above can submit one application per grant on one topic. Re-entry candidates must have a doctoral degree, such as M.D., D.D.S., Ph.D., O.D., D.V.M., or equivalent; and must have been in a postdoctoral or faculty position at the time they left active research. The candidate must have interrupted the research career for at least one year and no more than eight years. Examples of qualifying interruptions would include a complete or partial hiatus from research activities for child rearing; an incapacitating illness or injury of the candidate, spouse, partner, or a

member of the immediate family; relocation to accommodate a spouse, partner, or other close family member; pursuit of non-research endeavors that would permit earlier retirement of debt incurred in obtaining a doctoral degree; and military service. The program is not intended to support additional graduate training and is not intended to support career changes from non-research to research careers for individuals without prior research training.

Application Guidelines:

Applicants should refer to the NIH notice [NOT-OD-09-056](#) for the preparation of the re-entry supplement application.

Budget requirements: Applicants may request supplements for up to 2 years of funding. The direct cost is limited to \$100,000 per year.

Criteria for selection:

- Relevance of the proposed activities to the parent grant and determination that the proposed activities are within the existing peer-reviewed approved scope of the parent grant.
- Adequate progress of the parent grant appropriate to the current stage of the project.
- Adequacy of the proposed mentoring plan for the re-entry candidate.
- Appropriateness of the request to achieve Recovery Act goals in promoting job creation, economic development, and accelerating the pace and achievement of scientific research.

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