NHLBI Announces New Salary Cap for Mentored Career Development Awards (K-series) Starting in FY 2016

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Key Dates

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Purpose

The purpose of this Notice is to announce that starting with FY2016 awards and effective immediately, NHLBI will increase its salary contribution up to a maximum of $100,000 for all applicable K-series award activities that NHLBI currently supports. The activities to which this policy applies include K01, K02, K08, K12, K22, K23, K25, and K99 recipients. Requested salaries must be consistent with the institution's policies on compensation. The maximum funding level must be allowed by the applicant institution. This policy applies to both new and non-competing awards that are funded in FY2016 and thereafter.

As a reminder, the formula for calculating the NHLBI salary contribution (X) is Institutional Base Salary x % effort = X (not to exceed $100,000). For all affected K-series grants awarded in FY 2016, both competing and non-competing, will be calculated using these new figures and all future years will be adjusted accordingly.

The NHLBI salary contribution toward the K awardee's salary is intended to offset only that portion of the salary that is devoted to research and career development. In addition, in some cases, the awardee’s salary may be such that the calculated NHLBI salary contribution for the requested effort is less than or exceeds $100,000. The following examples are provided to clarify how the increased salary contribution of up to $100,000 for 75% effort may be calculated dependent on the awardee’s salary:

**Scenario 1:**
- Institutional base salary = $125,000
- $125,000 x 75% = $93,750
- NIH contribution = $93,750

**Scenario 2:**
- Institutional base salary = $155,000
- $155,000 x 75% = $116,250
• NIH contribution = $100,000

Applicants and awardees are encouraged to consult each funding opportunity announcement and contact appropriate NHLBI staff to determine the salary and research cost contributions for their K-series applications.

K01: RFA-HL-16-006
K01 (parent): PA-14-044
K08 (parent): PA-14-046
K22: PAR-15-341
K23 (parent): PA-14-049
K25 (parent): PA-14-048
K99/R00 (parent): PA-16-077

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