

One Pager Guides



What am I doing?



Why do I need this?



Where can I find the information required?



What are the steps I need to do in order to complete the process?



Can I get Help?

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Proposal Intake Form (PIF)

What is a PIF?

The proposal intake form (**PIF**) is part of *SeRA*, a system used to track research projects at Stanford. A PIF is an electronic form used to communicate upcoming grant submission to the RMG.

Why?

The PIF initiates the interaction with the assigned RPM within RMG.

When?

Completion of the PIF is required at least 30 days in advance of the grant's due date.

Who?

Anyone with an active SUNet ID can initiate a PIF.

Help?

User guide for staff:

<https://stanford.app.box.com/s/ym0zja8fr2fg4klgtb3azvtnd145n78n>

Short video tutorial:

<https://doresearch.stanford.edu/node/3154937>



Information to include in the PIF:

PI & Department

- Stanford PI name
- Department /Division
- Location of the project

Proposal Information

- Proposal type (New, renewal, resubmission)
- Proposal title
- Sponsor (funding agency) i.e., NIH
- Funding opportunity: # and URL
- Due date
- Duration (start & end dates)
- Subaward contact information

Draft Budget

- Names of personnel (first & last name)
- Roles of personnel (PI, co-investigator, postdoc, etc.)
- Level of effort percentage from personnel (in %)
- Other costs (supplies, user fees, travel, shipping, etc.)
- Subaward budget (total cost/year)

Project Questions

- Animal Subjects (APLAC)
- Human Subjects (IRB)
- Human Stem Cells (SCRO)
- Research Risks

How to initiate a PIF:

Log

<https://sera.stanford.edu/>*

Click

Start
School of
Medicine
Proposal

Click

SoM
Proposal
Intake
Form

Insert all the information
according to information
gathered above

Next steps:

PIF is completed

PI completes the *COI*
disclosure and
certification

RMG reviews the PIF

RPM is assigned to the PI

Glossary

COI- Conflict of interest

PI- Principal investigator

PIF- Proposal Intake Form

RMG- Research management group

RPM- Research process manager

SeRA- Stanford Electronic Research Administration System

SoM- School of Medicine

* PIs (generally postdocs) in the School of Medicine that are submitting [Fellowships](https://sera.stanford.edu/) (e.g., NIH F32) should go to <https://sera.stanford.edu/>; Click on Start Proposal, then SOM Post-Doc Fellowship, and then follow directions. For [industry-sponsored clinical trials](https://med.stanford.edu/rmg/clinical-trials/study-activation-form.html), complete the Study Activation Form: <https://med.stanford.edu/rmg/clinical-trials/study-activation-form.html>

Navigating the NIH ASSIST when preparing NIH Proposals

What is NIH's ASSIST? A web portal used to prepare and submit research proposals electronically to the NIH.

To Initiate an application:

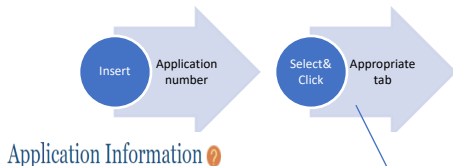
1. **Go to**
<https://public.era.nih.gov/assist/public/login.era?TARGET=https%3A%2F%2Fpublic.era.nih.gov%2Fassist%2F>

2. **Log in**

If you have an eRA Commons user name and password sign in.
 If you don't have an eRA Commons user name, email your RPM the application identifier (a 6 digit number, ask the PI) for access.

To navigate through the application in ASSIST, select any of the buttons in the **Actions** section

Important!
Validate Application allows you to see if there are any errors or warnings in the application



Tip:
 • Some actions (e.g., Preview Application) are only available from this screen. The Return to Application action can be used to return to this screen.




- Help?**
 NIH Application Guide <https://grants.nih.gov/grants/how-to-apply-application-guide.html>
 ASSIST user guide https://era.nih.gov/files/ASSIST_user_guide.pdf
 Short video -ASSIST preparing submitting tracking your NIH application <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SDNqv1wXJY>

NIH formatting

Font	Type density	Paper size and margins	Page formatting	Page numbering	Figures, graphs, and tables	Page limits
Ariel, Helvetica, Palatino, Linotype, or Georgia typeface, 11 point (or larger) recommended black font	No more than 6 lines per inch (single space between lines of type)	8.5"X11" paper size is required with a minimum of 0.5" margins on top, bottom, left and right	Only "single column" format without headers and or footers	Not required	Figure legends, table descriptions, and text within graphs and chart may be smaller than 11 points but needs to be readable.	https://grants.nih.gov/grants/how-to-apply-application-guide/format-and-write/page-limits.htm

Information for the ASSIST	What is it?	Where to find?
Institutional	Information about Stanford's legal name and organizational DUNS	do research website https://doresearch.stanford.edu/research-administration/proposal-and-award-lifecycle/institutional-facts
People	Key people involved in the proposal (academic titles and addresses)	Stanford who website https://uit.stanford.edu/service/stanfordwho
Documents	Documents to upload (PDF form)	Cover letter/Project Summary/Project narrative/ Specific aims/Research Strategy/Bibliography & References Cited/ Facilities & Other Resources/ Equipment/Budget/Budget justification/Biosketch of S/key persons/Letters of Support (as one document)

For each tab	What information you will need?	Where can you find this information?	
Summary	Application identifier, title, name of PI, legal name of Stanford, time period of the proposal	Budget, proposal, PI Websites: <i>do research</i> and <i>Stanford who</i>	
R&R Cover	Legal names of: Stanford, the PI, and the RPM in RMG	Proposal, PI Websites: <i>do research</i> and <i>Stanford who</i>	
Cover page supplement	Vertebrate Animals, Program Income, Human Embryonic Stem Cells	Ask PI	
Other project information	Human subjects, animals, IRB	Ask PI	Project Summary/abstract (30 lines) Project Narrative (2-3 lines) Bibliography & references sited Facilities and other resources Equipment
Sites	Legal name of Stanford, DUNS, PI's address, Subcontract addresses	Websites: <i>do research</i> and <i>Stanford who</i>	
Senior/key person	Key people involved and their specific order/rank (ask PI)	Website: <i>Sandford Who</i> , ask PI and key persons	Biosketch (5 pages)
Research Plan	Proposal Letters of support	Ask PI	Specific aims (1 page) Research Strategy (12 pages) Letters of support(s)
Human Subjects and clinical trials	Select " No " if the research does not involve human specimens and/or data. PI must provide explanation/justification	Select " Yes " if specimens and/or data are involved, explanation why this study does not involve human subjects	More information? Pages 98-106 on user guide
Assignment request form	Choose Awarding Component https://grants.nih.gov/grants/phs_assignment_information.htm#AwardingComponents	Choose Study Section https://grants.nih.gov/grants/phs_assignment_information.htm#StudySection	Recommended Identify scientific areas of expertise needed to review your application

Important deadlines*

Administrative sections

- Due 5 days in advance of the sponsors due date
- Cover page supplement, Senior/key person profile & biosketch, Project performance site locations, budget

Technical sections

- Due 3 days in advance of the sponsors due date
- Specific aims, Research Strategy, Letters of support(s), Project Summary/abstract, Project Narrative, Bibliography & references sited, Facilities and other resources, Equipment

* Based on https://med.stanford.edu/content/dam/sm/rmg/documents/PDF/SoM_Internal_Deadline_Sample_R01_02_04_2015-2.pdf

PI Waiver

If a "PI" or "Co-PI" is not a member of the Academic Staff, or of the University's Academic Council or MCL faculty, to be eligible to submit a research proposal a PI waiver will be required.

5 step process to complete a PI waiver:

1) Identify PI eligibility

3) Download and complete waiver templates

5) Submit PI waiver to RMG

2) Find appropriate PI waiver

4) Attach additional documents

Step 1:

Identify your PI eligibility according to your position



Step 2: Find the waiver you qualify for

Download and complete waiver templates (see link below) from the RMG website: <http://med.stanford.edu/rmg/grants/proposal-preparation---submission/pi-eligibility---waivers.html>

Position	Available PI Waivers
Clinical/Medical Fellows & Clinical Instructors (CE)	Career Development
Instructors	Expanded Career Development Career Development
Postdoctoral Fellows & Clinical Scholars	Career Development Conferences or Workshops Inter-disciplinary projects Expanded Career Development
Clinical Educator (CE) faculty	Career Development (only CE Assistant faculty) Clinician Educator - Only clinical research allowed
Academic Staff-Researcher (Research Associates, Senior Research Scientists, Senior Research Scholars)	Career Development Conferences or Workshops Inter-disciplinary Projects
Faculty w/future appointment	Early PI-ship

Step 3:

Obtain Division Chief and Department Chair signatures
Department of Pediatrics affiliates complete the Pediatrics PI Waiver Request Form (<https://med.stanford.edu/pediatrics/research/waivers.html>)

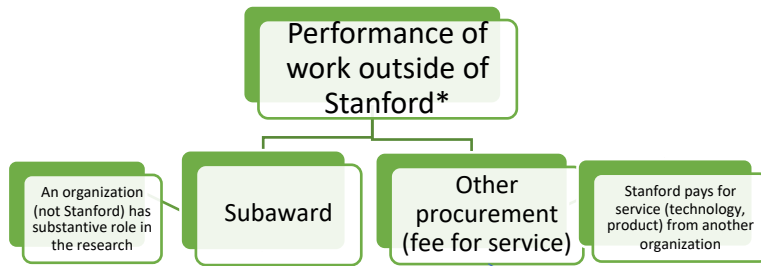
Step 4:

Attach additional documents listed in the PI template waiver:

For all positions	Additional attachments according to the specific waiver
Biosketch https://grants.nih.gov/grants/forms/biosketch.htm	Program description, Scope of work and Protocol or Project description

Step 5:

Submit PI waiver documents to your RPM in RMG for Harry B Greenberg signature
<https://med.stanford.edu/rmg/contact/departmental-contacts.html>



Stanford will issue a subaward when*:	Stanford will use other procurement actions when the entity*:
Subrecipient's work must correlate with projects aims	Provides services within normal business hours
Subrecipient is a decision-maker in the project	Provides similar services to different purchasers
Subrecipient is responsible for understanding the projects requirements	Operates in a competitive environment
Subrecipient uses funds to carry out its part of the project	Is not a decision-maker on the project

* <https://doresearch.stanford.edu/policies/research-policy-handbook/subawards/definitions-and-classifications#anchor-1119>

Subaward

A subaward is a formal written agreement made between Stanford and a **Subrecipient** to perform a portion of a **Statement of Work** under a Stanford sponsored project. In other words, it enables Stanford to collaborate with other organizations on grant-supported research.

- When to initiate a subaward?**
30 days in advance
- Who initiates a subaward?**
The PI

Definitions

✓ **Statement of work (SOW)** a document providing a clear description of the work to be performed, the proposed timelines, and deliverables.

✓ **Subrecipient**-a non-Stanford entity that expends awards received from Stanford to carry out a portion of Stanford's programmatic effort under a sponsored project. The Subrecipient performs its part using its own personnel, facilities and resources.

Responsibilities

