# News Flash – Breaking News from the Office of Clinical Awards Administration

### Three things you need to know right now:

#### 1. The Office Of Clinical Award Administration Is 1 year old!

The Office Clinical Award Administration (CAA) is celebrating its first anniversary. To mark the occasion, we have launched our website: <u>http://osa.stonybrookmedicine.edu/caa</u>.

During our first year we hope that you've taken time to introduce yourself - and the scope of your research - to us; if not, please take our <u>investigator survey</u>. Understanding your research related needs will help us be a better partner to you.

All new initiatives will be announced via the website, our <u>Yammer</u> page, and in our Newsletters / NewsFlashes. We have exciting plans for 2018 but would also like to hear from you to gain perspective about what services you feel are still needed to assist you in the proposal submission process. CAA would like to know what you or your department / division needs are via our <u>First Anniversary Survey</u>, or email us at SOMCAA@stonybrookmedicine.edu.

#### 2. Give Your NIH Application A Second Chance

If your meritorious application scored within the top 30% of your study section, but missed the NIH payline, a private-public partnership pilot called, 'Online Partnership to Accelerate Research' (OnPAR), could offer your proposal a second chance at funding. OnPAR acts as a matchmaking platform where applicants and non-government funders come together.

OnPAR presents your qualifying application's abstract to interested private foundations, pharmaceutical companies, venture capital funds, and other funds for biomedical research, as well as to other life sciences companies. There are several funders on-board with more joining the partnership all the time.

Once you've registered at <u>https://onpar.leidosweb.com/login\_</u>it's easy to list your project. You will need your NIH summary statement, application score and the abstract (summary). If you're invited to submit to a funder, you will need to <u>provide the exact application that was</u> <u>originally submitted to the NIH.</u> More information can be found at <u>https://onpar.leidosweb.com</u>, <u>https://www.niaid.nih.gov/grants-contracts/give-your-application-second-chance-onpar,</u> or you can contact The Office of Clinical Award Administration at 631-638-4490/Ext 8-4490.

#### 3. NIH's New, Human Subject And Clinical Trial Form

NIH released its E Forms late in 2017 for use as of 1/25/2018, replacing the D Forms. One of the most dramatic changes is the introduction of the 'Human Subject and Clinical Trial form'. The learning curve for this form has been steep. Not only does it ask for additional information such as a Recruitment and Retention Plan, Study Timeline, and Overall Structure of the Study Team, it has also reformatted the way that standard information is requested causing confusion to people who have used previous versions. For instance, the Inclusion of women, minorities and children need to one file, though it can consist of multiple pages

For your proposal/project to be considered a Clinical Trial by the NIH's new guidelines you will need to have answered yes to ALL FOUR questions at the top of the human study form, once a new study is added. If your study is **not** considered a clinical trial, you only need to complete sections **1-3** of the form - adding information to sections 4 & 5 will generate an error.

CAA recommends that you look at this form at the onset of the proposal preparation process to get a better understanding of the additional work involved. We have annotated forms as well as detailed instructions; if you'd like a copy, please request it via email at <u>SOMCAA@stonybrookmedicine.edu</u>. It is also very important that you check the 'Program Announcement to make sure that it allows for clinical trials. If you are submitting a project that meets the new NIH definition of a Clinical Trial you need to make sure that the funding announcement is categorized as, 'Clinical Trial Optional' or 'Required'.

## Breaking News! NIH Salary Cap increased to \$189,600. This change was effective as of January 7, 2018 but only announced in NOT-OD-18-137 on March 7, 2018.

If you have any questions about the information included in this NewFlash, or relating to the submission of sponsored projects, feel free to contact us at 631-638-4490/ext 8-4490 or via email at <u>SOMCAA@stonybrookmedicine.edu</u>.