SCTR INTERNAL SCIENTIFIC REVIEW OF EXTRAMURAL GRANT APPLICATION

OBJECTIVES:
• To provide help for the MUSC investigators who are submitting extramural grant applications.
• To increase the quality of the extramural grant application submissions and success of getting them funded.

*Please note that SCTR is not liable if your application is not funded.*

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INSTRUCTIONS:
• Internal SCTR/MUSC Review*

* SCTR will make decisions if an application should be sent out for an external expert review in case of limited or no relevant expertise within SCTR/MUSC.
• NIH K-series, R-series, P-series, U-series, NSF applications
• The application must be submitted to SCTR at least 6 weeks prior to the time it has to be submitted to MUSC Office of Research and Sponsored Programs (ORSP).
• Applicants should submit:
  o An application as requested by the appropriate funding agency via the SCTR Application System.
  o Applications should have the following Components as requested by the funding agency:
    • Project Description page
    • Research Proposal* – Including the Specific Aims page and Research Strategy
    • Literature Citations
    • Biosketches of all team members
    • Funding agency’s FOA/RFA, as applicable
    • Potential date of submission to the funding agency
    * If the PI is an Early Career (EC) applicant, the required components for the EC should also be submitted.
  o If the application is a resubmission, Summary Statements and Introduction to Resubmission are required.
  o Funding agency’s FOA/RFA, if applicable
  o Potential date of submission to the funding agency
• Once an application is submitted, the applicant SHOULD notify Dayan Ranwala via email. This is in order to properly process your application for review.
• Allow at least 2 weeks for the SCTR review.
• SCTR will provide one to two peer-review critiques similar to the NIH reviews and biostat comments to the applicants.
• If there are no major review critiques to be addressed, applicants will be informed to proceed with the application as appropriate.
• SCTR will pay the internal reviewer $200, as a payment to the reviewer’s F&A account, upon receipt of the critique.

FREE CONSULTATIONS ARE AVAILABLE TO ASSIST WITH PROPOSAL DEVELOPMENT
The following free consultations are available from the SCTR Institute to help strengthen your pilot project (and other) applications. Visit http://sparc.musc.edu to view consult descriptions and request those of interest:
• Science Consults
• Biostatistics and Research Design
• Via SCTR SUCCESS Center: Budget & Justification Development, Regulatory, Recruitment Consults
• Self-service Research Data & Feasibility
• Community Engagement & Research
• Nexus Research Opportunities and Management
• Mobile Health and Novel Technologies
• Research Data Requests
• Intellectual Property and Commercialization Resources
• Collaborator Matching Assistance – Palmetto Profiles web page at
  https://profiles.healthsciencessc.org/profiles/search/ is a great resource for finding collaborators.

MUSC OFFICE OF RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT (ORD) RESOURCES:
http://academicdepartments.musc.edu/research/ord/
• Internal and External Funding Opportunities Portal
• MUSC Boiler Plate
• Library of Successfully Funded Proposal Library at
  http://academicdepartments.musc.edu/research/ord/proposal-library/

MUSC ORSP RESOURCES:
http://academicdepartments.musc.edu/research/orsp/
• Request for eRA Commons User IDs
• Proposal Preparation Information webpage (Codes & Numbers, F&A rates, Fringe rates, DUNS etc.)

OUTCOME OF THE SCTR REVIEW ASSISTANCE:
SCTR would like to know the outcome of the Review Assistance services provided to the applicants such as below. SCTR will send a REDCap Survey to the applicants to fill in the outcome data.
• The application status - submitted/pending funding/funding received etc.
• At 6 months and 12 months after submitting to the funding agency to receive an update about funding status/get funded/resubmitted etc.

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