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Implementation of the revised NSF Proposal & Award Policies & Procedures Guide (PAPPG) and associated guidance

Dear Colleagues:

As you may know, beginning June 1, NSF will implement the *Proposal and Award Policies and Procedures Guide* (PAPPG) (NSF 20-1) for proposals submitted or due on or after this date. As you may also be aware, NSF has delayed the requirement to use NSF-approved formats for the biographical sketch and current and pending support sections of NSF proposals until October 5, 2020. Proposers must continue to format these documents in accordance with PAPPG requirements (see PAPPG sections II.C.2.f and II.C.2.h). NSF encourages the community to use these formats and continue to provide valuable feedback as we enhance them for future implementation.

NSF has made updates reflecting this implementation to the following policy guidance, websites and frequently asked questions:

- Biographical Sketch section of the PAPPG, Chapter II.C.2.f;
- Current and Pending Support section of the PAPPG, Chapter II.C.2.h;
- NSF-Approved Formats for the Biographical Sketch and Current and Pending Support;
- Frequently Asked Questions related to Current and Pending Support;
- Frequently Asked Questions on Using SciENcv; and
- Frequently Asked Questions on Using NSF Fillable PDF format.

In addition, webinars covering the use of NSF-approved formats as well as all of the significant changes to the PAPPG are available on the NSF Policy Outreach website.

For system-related questions, please contact FastLane User Support at 1-800-673-6188 or fastlane@nsf.gov. Policy-related questions regarding the content of the formats should be directed to policy@nsf.gov.

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