

K99/R00 GUIDE FOR REVIEWERS

NIH Pathway to Independence (PI) Award

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

NIH Pathway to Independence (PI) Award (K99/R00)

- Supported by NCI, NEI, NHLBI, NHGRI, NIA, NIAAA, NIAID, NIAMS, NIBIB, NICHD, NIDCD, NIDCR, NIDDK, NIDA, NIEHS, NIGMS, NIMH, NINDS, NINR, NLM, FIC, NCCAM, NCMHD, and NCRR
- Provides opportunity for promising postdoctoral scientists to receive both mentored and independent research support from the same award
- Initial phase provides 1-2 years of mentored support for highly promising, postdoctoral research scientists followed by up to 3 years of independent support contingent on securing an independent research position
- Candidates should have less than five years of postdoctoral training at the time of submission.
- Award recipients will be expected to compete successfully for independent R01 support from the NIH during the career transition award period.

Visit parent K99/R00 FOA at [PA-09-036](#).

MORE INFORMATION

To read more about the review criteria and considerations for K99 applications, visit <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/peer/critiques/k.htm>.

Please see the following documents for more information on scoring and critique templates: [Scoring System and Procedure](#), [Critique Template Instructions](#). A comprehensive list of Guidelines for Reviewers is available at http://grants.nih.gov/grants/peer/reviewer_guidelines.htm.