

## SAVE-THE-DATE:

### NIH REGIONAL SEMINARS ON PROGRAM FUNDING AND GRANTS ADMINISTRATION

APRIL 27-29, 2011: Phoenix, AZ

JUNE 22-24, 2011: Ft. Lauderdale, FL

**The National Institutes of Health (NIH) invite you to be a part of the 2011 Regional Seminar on Program Funding and Grants Administration.**

Phoenix, AZ:	Wed., April 27 Thu. & Fri., April 28 & 29	eRA Computer Workshops* 2-Day Seminar
Ft. Lauderdale, FL:	Wed., June 22 Thu. & Fri., June 23 & 24	eRA Computer Workshops* 2-Day Seminar

**What are the NIH Regional Seminars?** The NIH Regional Seminars include 2 days of sessions with flexible tracks designed for administrators and researchers which are intended to help demystify the application and review process, clarify federal regulations and policies, and highlight current areas of special interest or concern. On an adjacent day, eRA experts provide optional computer workshops to those desiring hands-on assistance with various aspects of electronic research administration. The seminar serves the NIH mission of providing education and training for the next generation of biomedical and behavioral scientists and those who support them.

**Who are the Experts?** Each seminar involves over 30 NIH and HHS staff who are brought to a central location in order to educate, share, and listen to attendees over the course of 2 days and offer their expertise as a contact once you return to your office or lab. Look for NIH policy officials, grants management, program and review staff, eRA Commons trainers, as well as representatives from the Office for Human Research Protections (OHRP), Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare (OLAW), Office of Research Integrity (ORI), and more at each seminar.

**Who Should Attend?** The seminars are appropriate for grant administrators new to NIH (or those wishing updates on NIH policies and process), as well as new investigators, graduate students, grant writers, etc.

**What's New?** The 2011 Regional Seminar will provide interactive sessions, panel discussions, and opportunities to meet with your peers from around the world as it has previously offered. However, this year we're expanding the program and offering more interaction opportunities than ever before...additional Institute/Center representation with one-on-one meeting opportunities, inclusion of sessions on NIH niche programs and initiatives, and more!

**What's the Cost?** There will be a registration fee for the 2-day seminar and an opportunity to save a little money by registering early. \*Optional eRA computer workshops will have an additional fee. The registration fees for each have not been determined at this time.

**Plan Now!** The NIH holds two Regional Seminars each year around the country so begin making your plans now and when registration and hotel information become available, prepare to book early – space is limited. The agenda is in development and negotiations are being finalized with area hotels so that final information can be published in the next couple of months.

For questions regarding logistics or registration, please email [NIHRegionalSeminars@od.nih.gov](mailto:NIHRegionalSeminars@od.nih.gov). In the meantime, you may want to look at the most recent seminar Website which took place in Portland, OR, June 2010: [http://grants.nih.gov/grants/Portland\\_2010/index.html](http://grants.nih.gov/grants/Portland_2010/index.html). The referenced site will provide you with an idea of tracks and types of sessions.

**Registration for the Phoenix, AZ seminar is scheduled to open in early November.**

**Registration for the Ft. Lauderdale, FL seminar is scheduled to open early 2011.**

**We look forward to seeing you at one of the 2011 NIH Regional Seminars.**

Updates will be provided in the following locations:

- [NIH Regional Seminar Website](#)
- NIH Regional Seminar ListServ (subscription info on main Website)
- [NIH Guide for Grants and Contracts](#)