

T32 GUIDE FOR REVIEWERS

Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Award (NRSA) Institutional Research Training Grants

Purpose of the Award

- Prepares qualified individuals for careers that have a significant impact on the health-related research needs of the Nation
- Primary means to support predoctoral and postdoctoral research training to help ensure that a diverse and highly trained workforce is available to assume leadership roles related to the Nation's biomedical, behavioral and clinical research agenda

Applications

- Should describe the basic science department's contribution to the research training experience and indicate whether both health professional trainees and trainees with research doctorates will be included in the program
- **New: [NOT-OD-20-033](#)**
 - Program Plan section – describes provision of training in rigorous research design, relevant data science, and quantitative approaches
 - Applicants must include Plan for Instruction in Methods for Enhancing Reproducibility attachment
 - Progress Report attachment for renewal applications page limits:
 - Five pages for program overview
 - One page for each appointee to the grant
 - Minor modifications to the data elements in the data tables

Details

- Training activities can be in basic biomedical or clinical sciences, in behavioral or social sciences, in health services research, or in any other discipline relevant to the NIH mission
- Attention must be given to recruiting trainees from racial or ethnic groups underrepresented in the biomedical, behavioral and clinical sciences, individuals with disabilities, and individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds
- Career outcomes of trainees include research-intensive careers in academia and industry and research-related careers in various sectors, e.g., academic institutions, government agencies, for-profit businesses, and private foundations. Training programs should make available structured, career development advising and learning opportunities (e.g., workshops, discussions, Individual Development Plans).

Notes

- The NRSA program has been the primary means of supporting predoctoral and postdoctoral research training programs since enactment of the NRSA legislation in 1974.
- Programs solely for short-term research training should not apply to this announcement.

More Information

- Visit the parent Announcement through the [Parent Announcement page](#)
- Visit the [T Kiosk](#) for information about the Kirschstein-NRSA Institutional Fellowships
- To read more about the review criteria and considerations for T32 applications, visit http://grants.nih.gov/grants/peer/critiques/t32_D.htm and [Review Criteria at-a-Glance](#)
- 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