



## Research Administration

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## Upcoming Events

### February 8

Research Administration, Research Compliance, Research Development and the Office of Human Subjects Research will move our offices to the 5<sup>th</sup> floor of 177 Huntington Avenue

### February 13

RA Monthly Lunch & Learn  
@12 pm: Curry Student Center McLeod Suites

### February 22

Learn More: Data Management  
@11 am: Curry Student Center McLeod Suites

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## We're Moving....

Next month Research Administration, Research Compliance, Research Development and the Office of Human Subjects Research (IRB) will be moving to the 5<sup>th</sup> floor of 177 Huntington Avenue.

During the move, from Wednesday, **February 8<sup>th</sup>** through Friday, **February 10<sup>th</sup>**, your RA [grant officers](#) will be working remotely, so please plan your proposal submissions accordingly. RA's main telephone line **617.373.5600** will be operational throughout and we will have full access to email.

We're not sure where moving offices rates on the [Holmes-Rahe stress scale](#) but we'll do our best to minimize the disruption to your proposals and awards.

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## NRSA Postdoctoral Stipend Levels FY 2017

Career Level	Years of Experience	Projected Stipend for FY 2017	Monthly Stipend
Postdoctoral	0	\$47,484	\$3,957
	1	\$47,844	\$3,987
	2	\$48,216	\$4,018
	3	\$50,316	\$4,193
	4	\$52,140	\$4,345
	5	\$54,228	\$4,519
	6	\$56,400	\$4,700
	7 or More	\$58,560	\$4,880

NIH, AHRQ and HRSA have released projected FY 2017 Stipend levels for NRSA fellows and trainees (see [NOT-OD-16-134](#)).

**Administrative supplements are also available** to meet the increased stipend levels for individual fellows and institutional trainees with 0-2 years of experience (see [NOT-OD-17-002](#)).

Source: [NIH Guide to Grants & Contracts](#)

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## Announcements

**PAPPG:** NSF has released a new [Proposal & Award Policies & Procedures Guide \(PAPPG\)](#) (NSF 17-1) for proposals submitted, or due, on or after January 30, 2017.

Find out the [most significant changes in the new PAPPG](#).

**RFI Cyber:** NSF encourages community input to inform the Foundation's strategy and plans for an advanced cyber infrastructure that will enable the frontiers of science and engineering to continue to advance over the next decade and beyond (NSF CI 2030).

[Request for Information on Future Needs for Advanced Cyberinfrastructure to Support Science and Engineering Research \(NSF CI 2030\) \(NSF 17-031\)](#).

# RA Roundup

- [Trump Administration asks Dr. Collins to stay on as Director of NIH.](#)

SCIENCE, JANUARY 2017

- [The Common Rule: 16 federal agencies have issued their final rule, which updates protections for research participants.](#)

FEDERAL REGISTER, JANUARY 2017

- [Fewer Regulations under the Trump Administration?](#)

SCIENCE, NOVEMBER 2016

- [Federal Government Operating under a Continuing Resolution through April 28, 2017.](#)

US HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, DECEMBER, 2016

- [Gender Equality in Science](#)

SCIENTIFIC AMERICA, JANUARY 2016

- **What we're reading:** [WHIPLASH: How to Survive Our Faster Future,](#)

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**Feedback?** The RA Team welcomes your comments, suggestions, and ideas.

**Thank you!**

## Funding Opportunity Spotlight:



**THE MCKNIGHT FOUNDATION**  
**2017 Memory and Cognitive Disorders Award**

**Deadline: March 1, 2017**

<https://www.neuroscience.mcknight.org/the-awards/how-to-apply-memory>

## Hot Topic: Research and Sponsored Programs Compliance

### Level of commitment on research proposals:

Investigators are required to indicate their level of commitment on research applications; Principal Investigators and faculty must have measurable effort, which is interpreted as greater than 0%, during the course of the project period. Level of commitment must be listed in person months and reflects a percentage of an investigator's total professional effort.

Prior to issuing an award, funding agencies review levels of commitment to determine if appropriate levels of effort will be devoted to the project and are sufficient to ensure its success. It is also used to determine if an investigator is over committed.

RA recommends that NU investigators monitor their levels of commitment on awards so that they are committing no more than 11 person months to active research projects, in total, at any given point in time.

Commitment on other sponsored activities (e.g., conference grants, instruction, training, etc.) may be concurrent with other professional responsibilities.

## RA by the Numbers:

FY17 Q1 & Q2 (July 1, 2016 – December 31, 2016)

594	Proposals Submitted
432	Award Obligations Received
1,021	UPAF+ Transactions
209	Industry-Sponsored Agreements (NDAs, CDAs, MTAs, SRAs)