

NIH DIVERSITY SUPPLEMENTS

The following document provides Institute-specific information about Diversity Supplements for common institutes that fund Gillings researchers:

- National Cancer Institute (NCI)
- National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID)
- National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK)
- National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS)
- National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute (NHLBI)
- National Institute on Minority Health and Disparities (NIMHD)
- National Institute on Aging (NIA)
- National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH)

| NIH Institute | NCI |
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| Eligibility | students, post-baccalaureate and post-Masters individuals, postdoctoral fellows, and faculty investigators |
| Parent Grant Requirements | the parent grant must have at least two years of NCI support remaining |
| Application Submission Timeline | Submission: October 1 to December 1 and from February 1 to March 30 Review: March and June |
| Research Project Guidelines | Proposed supplement project must be relevant to (contributes to, expands or extends) the parent grant project, and the relevance needs to be explicitly explained in the application. |
| Additional Institute Specific Information | https://www.cancer.gov/about-nci/organization/crchd/diversity-training/cure/ds-guidelines.pdf |

| NIH Institute | NIAID |
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| Eligibility | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High school students • Undergraduates • Post baccalaureate • Graduate/clinical doctorate students • Postdocs • Junior faculty People reentering a scientific career |
| Parent Grant Requirements | Any principal investigator (PI) with at least two years remaining on a grant can apply for this supplementary funding, which he or she uses to pay salary, fringe benefits, and research support. |
| Application Submission Timeline | Submissions: November, February, April, and May (if you want your application reviewed in one of the four listed months, submit it by the first of the preceding month) If you are seeking an award before the end of a fiscal year—September 30—we have to receive your application no later than April 1. |
| Research Project Guidelines | The proposed research must be within the scope of the parent grant and should be a logical extension of the goals and objectives but not sufficiently different to constitute new research or program expansion. A Research Plan redundant with any portion of the studies approved under the parent grant will not be supported under this supplement program. |
| Additional Institute Specific Information | https://www.niaid.nih.gov/grants-contracts/research-supplements#A5 |

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| NIH Institute | NIDDK |
| Eligibility | high school, undergraduate, post-Baccalaureate or post-Master's degree, and graduate research assistants |
| Parent Grant Requirements | NIDDK allows for a maximum of 24 months of funding support. Therefore, at the time of a supplemental award (not application), the parent grant must have support remaining for a reasonable period (usually two years or more). |
| Application Submission Timeline | <p>Decisions: January, April, and June.</p> <p>Review: Applications are reviewed at the end of each review month (from October through June). No applications will be reviewed in July, August, September, or December.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☐ Applications must be received before 5:00 PM local time on the 1st business day of the month for the application to be reviewed in the same month. ☐ Applications received after the 1st business day of the month will be reviewed at the next scheduled monthly meeting. ☐ For applications submitted between June 2 through November 1 the earliest start date would be 01 February. ☐ For applications submitted between November 2 through March 1 the earliest start date would be 01 May. <p>For applications submitted between March 2 through June 1 the earliest start date would be 01 August</p> |
| Research Project Guidelines | <p>Provide a description of the proposed research experience, not to exceed six pages, that includes the following components:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☐ Summary or Abstract and Specific Aims of the funded parent grant or project (not included in the six-page limit); ☐ Research and Career Development Plan and Timeline proposed for the candidate; ☐ Training Description: A Description of how the research and career development experiences will expand and foster the research capabilities of the candidate, and how the proposed experiences relate to the specific research goals and objectives of the parent grant; ☐ Mentoring Experience: Evidence of adequate mentoring experience and success of the mentor(s)/PD(s)/PI(s) and evidence that the candidate will receive research career mentoring. |
| Additional Institute Specific Information | https://www.niddk.nih.gov/research-funding/process/apply/funding-mechanisms/administrative-supplements-research-grants/research-supplements-promote-diversity-health-related-research |

| NIH Institute | NIEHS |
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| Eligibility | high school students, science teachers, undergraduate students in health-related sciences, underrepresented minorities, persons with disabilities, scientists re-entering the work force after taking time off for family responsibilities, etc. |
| Parent Grant Requirements | Principal investigators at domestic institutions with an active NIEHS research grant, and with a reasonable period of research support (usually 2 years or more) remaining at the time of the supplemental award, are eligible to submit a request to NIEHS for an administrative supplement to the grant. Individuals may receive support under these programs on only one grant at any time, but may be supported by more than one grant during their research careers. In most cases, a research grant may only have one supplement award at a time. |
| Application Submission Timeline | NIEHS reviews supplement applications three times a year, in March, July and October. Contact the Program Official of the parent grant for specific deadlines corresponding to the review schedule. |
| Research Project Guidelines | See Additional Institute Specific Information tab |
| Additional Institute Specific Information | https://www.niehs.nih.gov/research/supported/training/supplements/ |

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| NIH Institute | NHLBI |
| Eligibility | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a high school (HSS) • an undergraduate (URS) • a post-baccalaureate (PBS) • a graduate (GRS) • a post-master's degree (PMS) • a postdoctoral (PDS) • an investigator (IRS) • Established Investigators Who Are or Become Disabled Research Supplements to Promote Re-Entry into Biomedical and Behavioral Research Careers |
| Parent Grant Requirements | See Additional Institute Specific Information tab |
| Application Submission Timeline | <p>Submission:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • June 1 - August 31 (award starts in December) • September 1 - September 30 (award starts in January) • October 1 - October 31 (award starts in February) • November 1 - November 30 (award starts in March) • December 1 - December 31 (award starts in April) • January 1 - January 31 (award starts in May) • February 1 - February 28 (award starts in June) • March 1 - March 31 (award starts in July) • April 1 - April 30 (award starts in August) • May 1 - May 31 (award starts in September) |
| Research Project Guidelines | The research emphasis in the NHLBI program is on cardiovascular, pulmonary, and blood diseases; transfusion medicine; sleep disorders; and all other mission areas supported by the NHLBI. |
| Additional Institute Specific Information | https://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/grants-and-training/training-and-career-development/nhlbi-research-supplement-application-guidelines |

| NIH Institute | NIMHD |
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| Eligibility | postdoctoral fellows and/or junior faculty level candidates |
| Parent Grant Requirements | NIMHD will allow no more than 2 years of support. At the time of the application, the parent grant should have 2 years or more remaining. Supplements to two-year R03 and R21 grants are not a priority for NIMHD. |
| Application Submission Timeline | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apply (September - December), Review (January - February), Earliest Award Month (March) • Apply (January - April), Review (May - June), Earliest Award Month (July) • Apply (May - August), Review (September - October), Earliest Award Month (November) |
| Research Project Guidelines | The proposed research must be within the original scope of the parent award; present evidence that the proposed experience is appropriate for the stage of the candidate's career; and significantly enhance the candidate's research potential, while furthering the candidate's ability to pursue a research career. |
| Additional Institute Specific Information | https://www.nimhd.nih.gov/programs/extramural/training-career-dev/research-supplements/diversity-supplements.html |

| NIH Institute | NIA |
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| Eligibility | See Additional Institute Specific Information tab |
| Parent Grant Requirements | See Additional Institute Specific Information tab |
| Application Submission Timeline | See Additional Institute Specific Information tab |
| Research Project Guidelines | See Additional Institute Specific Information tab |
| Additional Institute Specific Information | https://www.nia.nih.gov/research/grants-funding/training-opportunities-special-populations#NIA-specific |

| NIH Institute | NIMH |
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| Eligibility | <p>high school, undergraduate, graduate, post-graduate, and investigator career stages that come from groups that have been shown to be underrepresented in science. Candidates for the Re-entry Supplement Program must have a doctoral degree (e.g., M.D., D.D.S., Ph.D., O.D., D.V.M., etc.), and must have been in a postdoctoral or faculty position at the time they left active research. The Diversity Supplement opportunity is also available to Project Director (PDs)/PI(s) of research grants who become disabled and need additional support to accommodate their disability in order to continue to work on the research project.</p> |
| Parent Grant Requirements | <p>Diversity and Re-entry Supplement awards cannot be used to expand the scope of the parent grant. All applications are reviewed by program staff to assess the scope of the planned activities and evaluate their scientific merit and training potential. It is imperative that prospective applicants contact the Program Official (PO) assigned to the parent grant during initial preparation of a supplement application and prior to its submission to discuss their goals and objectives.</p> |
| Application Submission Timeline | <p>Applications may be submitted at any time. Investigators are encouraged to submit applications at least four months prior to the requested start date. Applications for summer-only research appointments are considered on a shorter timeframe and should be submitted at least 10 weeks prior to the requested start date. Applications received after April 1 will be processed and considered for funding in the next fiscal year; that is, after October 1, with December 1 as the earliest possible start date.</p> |
| Research Project Guidelines | <p>The activities proposed in a Diversity or Re-entry Supplement application must both advance the objectives of the parent grant and support the research training and career development of the candidate.</p> |
| Additional Institute Specific Information | <p>https://www.nimh.nih.gov/funding/training/diversity-and-reentry-research-supplements-for-nimh-grantees.shtml</p> |