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### **Welcome to the Research and Creative Activity Update!**

To share information quickly rather than through multiple emails, we will be providing weekly updates for researchers, scholars and staff to keep up-to-date on grant program changes, deadlines, notices and training, with links to expand the information you may be interested in. Thank you for your contributions to research and creative activity at NDSU.

These weekly email updates are archived on the [RCA Website](#).

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### **FINAL ANNOUNCEMENT - Sanford Health NDSU Collaborative Seed Grant Program**

Proposals for the Sanford Health NDSU Collaborative Seed Grant Program are due by 5:00 PM on February 16, 2016. Proposals should be submitted electronically to [ndsu.businessdev@ndsu.edu](mailto:ndsu.businessdev@ndsu.edu).

### **NDSU Policy 823: Financial Conflict of Interest – Public Health Service Sponsored Research**

Prior to submitting a proposal to a Public Health Service (PHS) agency, anyone identified as an investigator must have a current PHS Significant Financial Interest disclosure form on file with NDSU's Research Integrity and Compliance Office. Only the first page of the disclosure form is required to be submitted at the proposal stage and can be found on the following webpage: [https://www.ndsu.edu/research/sponsored\\_programs\\_admin/forms/](https://www.ndsu.edu/research/sponsored_programs_admin/forms/). If you have questions related to NDSU Policy 823, please contact Julie Sherwood (1-8098, [j.sherwood@ndsu.edu](mailto:j.sherwood@ndsu.edu)).

### **Proposal Report Available in Peoplesoft**

A new proposal report has been developed and is now available for use in Peoplesoft. The report can be run to identify proposals processed through Sponsored Programs and contains the following parameter options: date range, sponsor name/sponsor ID number, PI name, Co-PI name, department or college. Users can find the report by using the following navigation in Peoplesoft: Grants > Grants WorkCenter > Reports/Queries tab > Reports/Processes section > Proposal Report. Any questions related to the proposal report can be direct to Amy Scott (1-8976, [amy.scott@ndsu.edu](mailto:amy.scott@ndsu.edu)).

## NSF Noncompliance Notices

The National Science Foundation released a new [Proposal and Award Policies and Procedures Guide](#) (PAPPG) (NSF 16-1). The requirements in the guide became effective January 25, 2016.

These updated guidelines implemented several changes, including new sections on collaborators and Dual Use Research of Concern, updated information on how and when to submit proposals, and changes to biographical sketches and current and pending support. *Failure to follow these new instructions results in proposals being noncompliant.*

These changes are detailed on the NSF website:

<http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/policydocs/pappguide/nsf16001/sigchanges.jsp>.

To assist with developing biosketches and collaborations documents in the new format, templates are available on the [Research Development Grant Resources webpage](#).

## Device Packaging Laboratory Receives Subaward from University of Minnesota NSF Program

The Device Packaging Laboratory, part of RCA's Research Operations, has received a 5 year subaward from the University of Minnesota Midwest Nano Infrastructure Corridor (MINIC). MINIC was announced as one of 16 sites awarded by NSF under their National Nanotechnology Critical Infrastructure program. NDSU will lead one of MINIC's three focus areas: packaging of nanoscale and microscale devices. The NDSU effort is a collaboration between RCA Research Operations and the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering. The goal is to offer researchers across the country the ability to economically package nanoscale and microscale devices to further advance their research outcomes. The Device Packaging Laboratory is located in the Research 2 cleanroom facility.

## President's 2017 Budget Released

[President Obama's 2017 Budget](#) investments include funding of \$152 billion for R&D. Priority areas identified:

- Doubling Clean Energy R&D
- Supporting Basic Research
- Supporting a Cancer Moonshot
- Advancing Biomedical Research
- Revitalizing American Manufacturing
- Creating the Industries and Jobs of the Future
- Investing in Civil Space Activities
- Addressing Challenges in Agriculture through R&D

In supporting Basic Research, the Budget includes a \$900 million increase over the 2016 enacted level for the National Science Foundation, the Department of Energy's Office of Science, and the National Institute of Standards and Technology. The Budget also includes \$33.1 billion to support biomedical research at the National Institutes of Health, resulting in about 10,000 new and competing NIH grants. Specific information on Federal agency budgets can be found on the Office of Management and Budget, [Agency Fact Sheets](#) page.

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