

How Do Institutes and Centers Make Funding Decisions?

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Overview

- Three cycles of review --- Three funding cycles
- First level of review
 - CSR or IC Scientific Review Group
- Second level of review
 - IC National Advisory Council
- IC funding decision
- Administrative review prior to award

IC National Advisory Council

Comprised of extramural scientists & public representatives

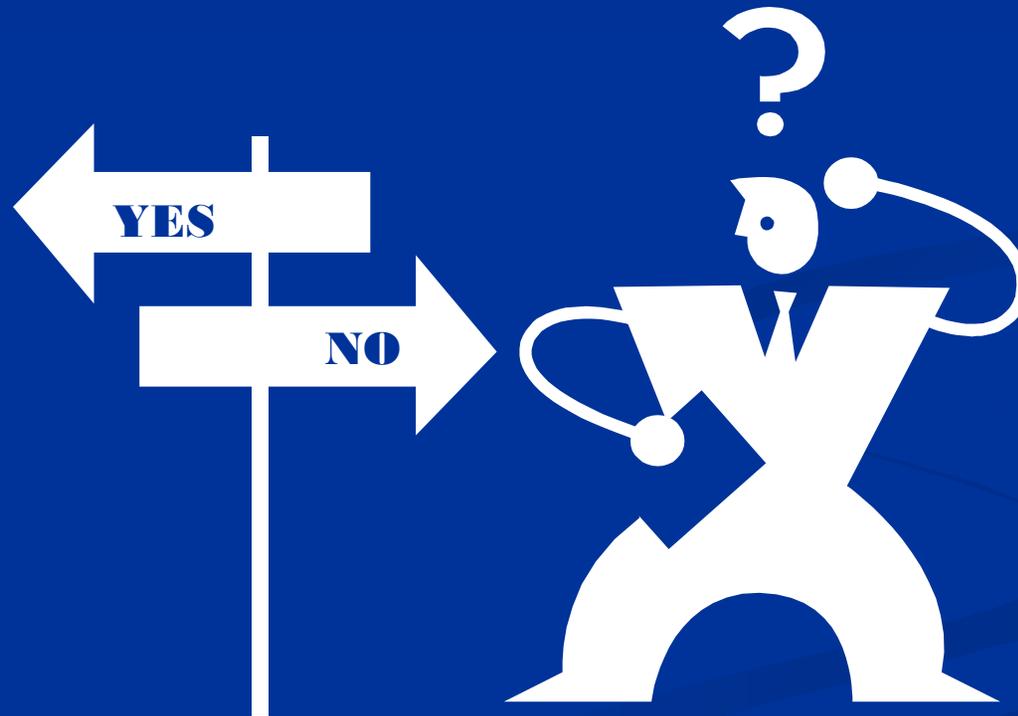
- Votes *en bloc* to concur with SRG recommendations for most applications
- Discusses individual applications
- Discusses applications in response to RFAs and other research initiatives
- May designate high/low funding priority based on IC goals and needs

Council does not make funding decisions.

IC Funding Plan

- IC Budget Office creates financial management plan for each fiscal year based on appropriation
- Pay plan created for each funding cycle
 - “Pay line” for each grant mechanism
 - Number of applications and priority score/percentile range
 - Set asides – SBIR/STTR, AIDS, RFAs
 - Council priority recommendations
 - **New Investigators get special consideration**

**The IC Director
makes final funding decisions!**



Administrative Review by Grants Management

- Divisions prepare Requests for Payment
- Grants Specialists review applications for fiscal and policy compliance
- Grants Specialists request and review “Just- in-Time” information
- Award Worksheet prepared – Program Official reviews and signs off
- **Grants Management Officer issues Notice of Award**



Track your application through the grant process in eRA Commons through **Status** module

- eSubmission Errors/Warning
- General Grant Information
- Status History – chronology of grant process milestones
- Institute or Center Assignment(s)
- Application Information – priority score, percentile
- Study Section Information – date, time, roster
- Advisory Council Information
- NIH contacts – Scientific Review Administrator, Grants Management Specialist, Program Official



Screen shot of Status Information in eRA Commons

Status History		Institute or Center Assignment	
Effective Date	Status Message	Institute or Center	Assignment Date
09/18/2006	Application awarded.	NATIONAL INSTITUTE ON ALCOHOL ABUSE AND ALCOHOLISM (Primary)	03/07/2006
09/18/2006	Award prepared: refer questions to Grants Management Specialist.	OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR, NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH	09/18/2006
08/11/2006	Pending administrative review. Refer any questions to Program Official or Grants Management Specialist.	NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SCIENCES	03/07/2006
06/13/2006	Council review completed.	NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF NEUROLOGICAL DISORDERS AND STROKE	03/07/2006
01/30/2006	Scientific Review Group review completed: Council review pending. Refer any questions to Program Official.		
09/27/2005	Scientific Review Group review pending. Refer any questions to the Scientific Review Administrator.		
09/26/2005	Application entered into system		

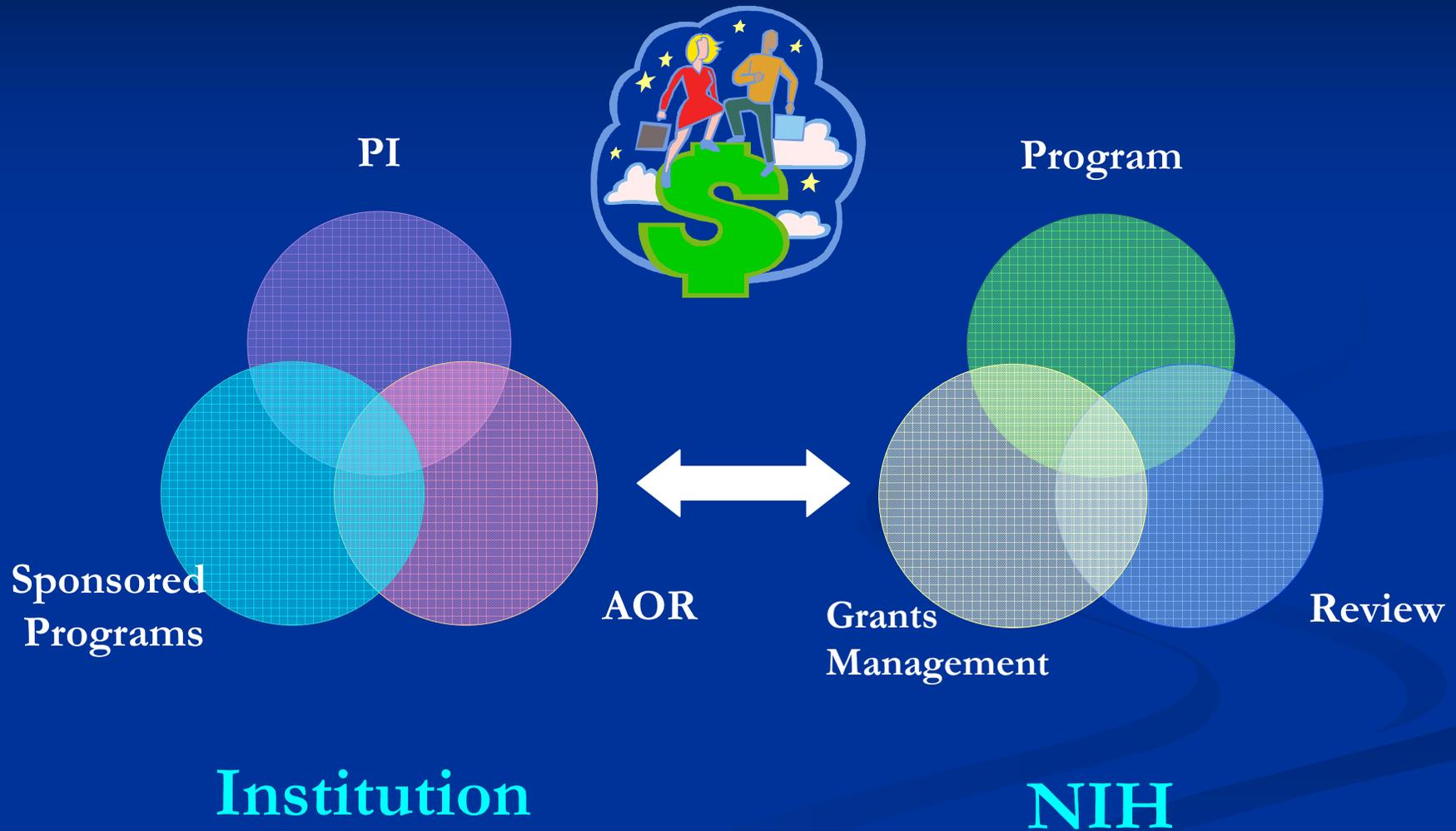
Application Information		Study Section		Advisory Council(AC) Information	
Award Document Number:	[REDACTED]	Scientific Review Group:	ZRG1 CFS-E (50)	Meeting Date:	02/01/2006
FSR Accepted Code:	N	Council Meeting Date (YYYY/MM):	2006/05	Meeting Time:	05:30
Snap Indicator Code:	Y	Meeting Date:	01/26/2006		
Priority Score:	[REDACTED]	Meeting Time:	08:30		
Percentile:		Study Roster:	View Meeting Roster		

Reference Letter(s)

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Awards

A successful grant requires teamwork!





Formula for Success

Good idea

Good timing

Good presentation (application)

Good reviewers

Good grantsmanship

Good luck

