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Alerts:

• NIH Competitive Revisions (formerly known as Competitive Supplements) are a Great Funding Opportunity for Yale Investigators

Faculty are strongly encouraged to apply for funding under the NIH Competitive Revisions Opportunity – as this is one of the major areas where funds are readily available.

Plan to get a final copy of your application and ProSum to GCA no later than April 7, 2009.

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A Great Funding Opportunity for Yale Investigators – NIH Competitive Revisions (i.e. Supplements)

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act made \$1 billion of funding available for revisions to active NIH Research Grants (including SBIR and STTR) to support a significant expansion of the scope or research protocol of approved and funded projects. These NIH Competitive Revisions (formerly known as Competitive Supplements) are for a period up to 2 years.

Faculty are strongly encouraged to apply for funding under this opportunity – as this is one of the major areas where funds are readily available.

Please let your department business office know of your intent to apply for this funding so that GCA can put an action plan in place for these submissions.

GCA has experienced unprecedented problems with Grants.gov submissions during the February and March NIH deadlines and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has already identified severe Grants.gov system issues that may endanger the timely submission of proposals to Grants.gov, particularly with respect to the large number of Challenge Grant applications anticipated.

To guide faculty and departments who are interested in applying to this program, GCA has created a six-page summary and an internal checklist based upon the full NIH announcement. Both of these documents can be found on our website at http://www.yale.edu/grants/funding_info/ARRA.html. In addition, please be sure to reference the full announcement at <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guid/notice-files/NOT-OD-09-058.html> for complete details on

application guidelines, criteria that will be used to review these competitive revisions, etc.

The application process follows most of the requirements of a SF424 and PHS398 application, however, the rules on the supplements are so individual that we encourage all faculty to speak with your programs and institutes – as the NIH institutes and centers (IC) may have their own specific areas of emphasis. These can be found on individual IC web sites available at http://grants.nih.gov/recovery/ic_supp.html.

Below are some important items to be cognizant of when considering an application to this program:

*The application **deadline is April 21** (just 4 business days before the Challenge Grant Application deadline).

*If the parent grant requires a certain mode of submission, the competitive revision should follow the same requirement. For example, for electronic applications such as R01s, R03s, R21s, etc., applicants should use the SF424 and submit the application electronically through Grants.gov. For paper Program Project, Center and Cooperative Agreement applications, please use the PHS398 forms. **Paper applications will not be accepted for activity codes that have transitioned to electronic submission.**

For the SF424 Application Guide, please refer to:

http://grants.nih.gov/grants/funding/424/SF424_RR_Guide_General_Adobe_VerA.doc (MS

[Word](#) [3.5 MB]) or http://grants.nih.gov/grants/funding/424/SF424_RR_Guide_General_Adobe_VerA.pdf (PDF [4.5 MB]). For the PHS398 forms, please refer to: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/funding/phs398/phs398.html>.

*Certain ICs have chosen not to participate in the Competing Revisions deadline of April 21. For example, **NIAID will not be participating**. Please check our website http://www.yale.edu/grants/funding_info/pdf/ARRA-supplements.pdf for a table which lists each of the ICs and their deadlines.

*To be eligible, the parent grant must be active at the time the revision application is submitted, and the research proposed in the revision must be accomplished within the current competitive segment. That is, the period of support requested for the revision (up to two years for FY09 applications) cannot exceed the current project period end date of the parent grant, including projects on a no-cost extension.

*There is no limit on the amount of funding requested, other than that, requests for equipment within the revision application cannot exceed \$100,000.

*Plan to get a final copy of your application and Proposal Summary and Certification Form (revision date 3/13/09) <http://www.yale.edu/grants/forms/index.html> to your designated GCA Team <http://www.yale.edu/grants/contacts/index.html>, by way of your department business office, no later than **April 7, 2009** (10 business days before the deadline).