

**NIDA Office of Diversity and Health Disparities (ODHD)**  
**Research Development Seminar Series Part II Workshop (*Mock Grant Review*)**

**June 26-27, 2014**

Neuroscience Center, 6001 Executive Blvd, Conference Rooms C/D, Rockville, MD 20852

**Program:**

The National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA), Office of Diversity and Health Disparities will offer a Research Development Seminar Series Part II Workshop (Mock Grant Review) on June 26-27, 2014 in Rockville, Maryland. This opportunity is designed for early stage investigators, who have participated in an initial Research Development Seminar Series Part I Workshop. The mock grant review will put early stage investigators' "draft" research grant applications through a process, which mirrors NIH peer review. Led by a Scientific Review Officer (SRO) and consisting of a review panel, the Mock Grant Review will allow early stage investigators to experience a first-hand look at an actual Study Section (Scientific Review Group, SRG) review. Participants will gain a thorough understanding of reviewers' evaluations, critiques and outside opinions, as well as scoring. For the sake of this workshop, all applications will be discussed. Following the mock grant review, participants will receive overall feedback and updates on the grants submission process, as well as have individual consultations with assigned reviewers. Through this workshop, ODHD aims to thoroughly evaluate and identify areas of strengthening early stage investigators' "draft" research grant applications, so that they can be successful and competitive.

**Eligibility:**

To be eligible, applicants: (1) must have participated in an Office of Diversity and Health Disparities (ODHD) Research Development Seminar Series Part I Workshop; (2) plan on submitting a NIDA grant application within six months of the workshop; and (3) must not have a grant application that is currently submitted to the NIH pending review or independent NIDA/NIH funding ('R' grant).

**Application Procedure:**

Interested applicants should initially submit a single PDF or Word document that contains:

- a very strong, updated 5-page research proposal, which incorporates feedback and suggestions received during the Part I Workshop.
- a statement, which identifies the specific Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) (<http://www.drugabuse.gov/funding-app/pa>) and grant mechanism (i.e., R01, R03, R21, K99, K08, K01, A/START, B/START, etc.) that you plan on submitting. Please note, if you are not considering a specific FOA, you can identify a parent announcement.
- One page personal statement, which includes a **description of research experience and interests** as they relate to substance abuse and addiction research and **long-term professional goals in a research career**
- Detailed curriculum vitae

Upon selection, NIDA will provide you with official program requirements, including details of your "draft" research grant application. There are a limited number of slots available for this workshop.

**Application Deadline:**

Interested applicants must submit the requested items (in the form of a single word or PDF document) via email to Flair Lindsey ([flindsey@nida.nih.gov](mailto:flindsey@nida.nih.gov)) by **Friday, March 21, 2014**. Notification of acceptance will be emailed no later than Wednesday, March 27, 2014. NIDA will cover expenses associated with participation: round-trip airfare, lodging, per diem and ground transportation (all not to exceed Federal government rates).

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