

OER Survey of New Investigators

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The first question below is offered to all respondents. If (s)he selects “Not at all helpful”, the respondent will be offered the follow on question below asking her to describe the information she’d find helpful.

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Please rate the information contained in the message you received from NIH that invited you to participate in this survey.

The information was:

- Very helpful
- Somewhat helpful
- Not at all helpful

Will you please briefly describe the information you would find more helpful?


Words used: 0 out of 250.

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The next question is offered to all respondents.


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At this time, do you plan to resubmit the application for which you most recently received a summary statement?

- Definitely will resubmit
- Probably will resubmit
- Might resubmit
- Probably will NOT resubmit
- Definitely will NOT resubmit

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If the respondent enters Definitely or Probably will resubmit, (s)he is offered the following set of questions... If the respondent enters Probably/Definitely will NOT resubmit (s)he skips to question at the bottom of page 3 ...


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As you prepare the resubmission application, how important are the following resources in helping you prepare the application?

Please rate the following resources according to their relative importance to you.
 If there is another resource you will utilize that is not included in this list, please describe it in the space provided.

	Critically important	Very important	Somewhat important	Not very important	Not at all important	No people/resources are available to me to serve in this capacity
NIH program officer(s)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Colleague(s) at your institution who are established NIH principal investigator(s)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Colleague(s) in your scientific community outside your institution who are established NIH principal investigator(s)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
A grant writing workshop or other formal grantsmanship training resource	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
A pre-review panel that peer reviews my application prior to submission to NIH	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Your doctoral and/or postdoctoral advisor	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<input style="width: 250px;" type="text" value="Enter another option"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

The item order in the question above is randomized to address potential order effects on rankings.

If the respondent rates the doctoral or postdoctoral advisor as Critically or Very Important in the previous table (s)he is asked this follow-on question:

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Does your advisor have active or recent NIH research support?

Yes

No

Not sure

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If the response to the question at the top of Page 2 is Probably/Definitely will NOT resubmit (s)he will receive this question:

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At present, do you intend to prepare a new NIH grant application?

Yes

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If response to previous question is “yes”, respondent is offered the following set of questions...


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As you prepare a new grant submission, how important are the following resources in helping you prepare the application?

Please rate the following resources according to their relative importance to you.
 If there is another resource you will utilize that is not included in this list, please describe it.

	Critically important	Very important	Somewhat important	Not very important	Not at all important	No people/resources are available to me to serve in this capacity
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Colleague(s) in your scientific community outside your institution who are established NIH principal investigator(s)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<input style="width: 100%;" type="text" value="Enter another option"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

If the response to question on page 3 is “no”, respondent is offered the following question...


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Will you share your reasons for choosing not to submit a new grant application at this time?

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All respondents are offered the following questions, regardless of their answers to the previous branching questions:

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NIH is interested in the factors that contributed to your choice to apply for a research grant on the topic of your most recent application.

The list below contains some of the most common factors that influence investigators' choice of research topic.

Please rate the importance of each of these factors to your choice of research topic. If there is another important reason you would like to share, please select "Other" and describe the other factor that influenced you to pursue research in your chosen area.

A family member(s) or close personal friend encouraged me to pursue this topic.

- Critically important Very important Somewhat important Not very important Not at all important

A formative experience from my childhood influenced me to pursue this topic.

- Critically important Very important Somewhat important Not very important Not at all important

A teacher, professor, or other professional role model from my teens or early twenties influenced me to pursue this topic.

- Critically important Very important Somewhat important Not very important Not at all important

I received a paid training or professional opportunity (such as a scholarship, internship, free tuition, etc.) that influenced me to pursue this topic.

- Critically important Very important Somewhat important Not very important Not at all important

I believe that the topic of my most recent application is well suited for me.

- Critically important Very important Somewhat important Not very important Not at all important

I derive great personal satisfaction from working on this topic.

- Critically important Very important Somewhat important Not very important Not at all important


I believe the opportunities for career advancement and/or obtaining research funding to pursue this topic are promising.

- Critically important Very important Somewhat important Not very important Not at all important

Do you currently have student loans that must be repaid?

- Yes
 No

If the answer to the last question on the previous screen is “yes”, the next question will be offered, otherwise it will be skipped.



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Have you applied for assistance through the NIH Loan Repayment program?

You can comment on this question if you'd like to.


Yes, I applied but did not receive the award

Yes, I received a Loan Repayment Award

No, I have not applied for a Loan Repayment Award

Comments

All respondents are offered the following question, regardless of answers to the previous branching questions:



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Have you considered switching research topics or leaving biomedical research for financial reasons?

You can comment on this question if you'd like to.

Yes

No

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Thank you!

We appreciate the time you took to complete the survey.

Please use the text box below to write down any additional information you would like to provide.

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Once submitted, respondents are redirected to the “Applicant Next Steps” page on the OER web site:
http://grants.nih.gov/grants/next_steps.htm