CHANGES TO NIH PROPOSALS

Aligning the application with revised review criteria
Agenda

- Welcome
  - Caroline Whitacre, PhD
  - Office of Research

- Overview of Changes
  - Karla Gengler-Nowak and Aimee Nielsen-Link
  - Office of Sponsored Programs

- Panel Discussion

- Question and answers
When are Changes Implemented

- New forms must be used as of 1/25/10
  - Electronic forms (Adobe Forms B)
  - Paper forms (version date in footnote should be 6/09)

- One Exception
  - PIs applying using continuous application for AIDS funding opportunities due in early January
    - Contact your SPO to verify that you are using the correct form set
Choosing the correct form packet (Adobe Forms B) in Cayuse424
Updated Sections

- Biographical sketches
- Facilities and resources
- Research plan

Note: be sure your profile in the Commons is up-to-date
  - Early-stage investigator and new investigator status derived from profile, NOT the application
Biographical Sketches

- NIH strongly encourages that publications be limited to **no more than fifteen**

- Add a new section “A” for a personal statement
  - Opportunity to explain how the person’s experience and skills are valuable to completion of the project proposed.

- Sample biosketch is available, see [http://grants.nih.gov/grants/funding/2590/biosketch_sample.pdf](http://grants.nih.gov/grants/funding/2590/biosketch_sample.pdf)

- Communicate with your key personnel and other significant contributors so that they can write competent personal statements!
Facilities & Other Resources

• **Section 1:**
  Identify the resources *(unchanged)*

• **Section 2:**
  Describe how the environment in which you are doing the research contributes to the probability of success.

• **Section 3:**
  Early Stage Investigators only: describe institutional investment in their success.
Research Plan – Page Limits

- Introduction (resubmissions, revisions): one page
- Specific aims: one page
- Research Strategy section

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- If the Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) specifies different limits, use them
- Research Plan is now uploaded as two documents
Research Strategy

- **Significance** = background and significance
- **Innovation** = new section
- **Approach** = research design and methods, preliminary studies/progress report
  - Progress report: do not include publications list here for progress report
# Attaching the Research Strategy in Cayuse424

## PHS 398 Research Plan

1. **Application Type:**
   From SF 424 (R&R) Cover Page and PHS398 Checklist. The responses provided on these pages, regarding the type of application being submitted, are repeated for your reference, as you attach the appropriate sections of the research plan.

   *Type of Application:*
   - [ ] New
   - [ ] Resubmission
   - [ ] Renewal
   - [ ] Continuation
   - [ ] Revision

2. **Research Plan Attachments:**
   Please attach applicable sections of the research plan, below.

   - 0. Composite PDF.
   - 1. Introduction to Application (for RESUBMISSION or REVISION only)
   - 2. Specific Aims
   - 4. Inclusion Enrolment Report (ER)
   - 5. Progress Report Publication List
   - 6. Human Subjects Sections
     - 6. Protection of Human Subjects
     - 7. Inclusion of Women and Minorities
     - 8. Targeted/Planned Enrollment Table
     - 9. Inclusion of Children

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Help

• If you have any questions about which form set to use or how to implement the changes in your proposal, please call your SPO or the Office of Research Help Desk (614-688-8288)
Thank you to our panelists...

- **Moderator**
  - Clay Marsh, MD

- **Panelists**
  - Kathleen Boris-Lawrie, PhD
  - Samir Ghadiali, PhD
  - Joanna Groden, PhD
  - Tina Henkin, PhD
  - Michael Knopp, MD, PhD
  - Larry Schlesinger, MD
Materials from today’s session…

• are available at