

### Featured NIH Notices:

- [NOT-OD-22-076](#): NIH has officially announced the increase of the NIH Salary Cap - \$203,700. You may begin to use the new Salary Cap for applications.
- Now in effect: the new [Biosketch](#) format page as well as the [Other Support](#) format page. Note, NIH is working with the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to obtain approval for changes to the templates and application instructions for Bio and OS attachments. A guide notice with details will be issued when approval is received.
- [NOT-OD-22-050](#): Publication of the Revised NIH Grants Policy Statement.
- Coming soon: NIH will be publishing an updated RPPR instruction guide later this month, as announced at the NCURA presentation on preparing RPPRs. The recording of the webinar is available [here](#) if you have a registered NCURA account.
- [NOT-OD-22-057](#): New NIH Admin Supplements Available to Support Diversity Mentorship.
- [NOT-OD-22-074](#): Plans to promote safe environments at conferences supported by NIH Grants and Cooperative Agreements.
- Have questions about requesting childcare costs for NRSA Trainees and Fellows? Check out this [post](#).
- eRA has made enhancements in the Reference Letter Submission System - please update your bookmarks.

### Spotlight - Ben Mooso

Introducing Ben Mooso, the Director of the Office of IRB Administration (OIA)!

Ben came to UC San Diego from UC Davis where he was the IRB Associate Director for the last three years. As the UCSD OIA Director, it's his job to make sure that subjects are being appropriately protected, the IRBs are running smoothly, and that the OIA continues to facilitate the amazing work that our researchers continue to do. In the upcoming months, he's looking forward to getting the office fully staffed and completing the Quali IRB implementation, he's hoping both are done by the end of this July. He'd like to highlight the amazing work his staff has



been doing - keeping the submissions flowing through the office while rolling out a new submission system at the same time, no small feat during a pandemic. Speaking of the new system, Ben has a tip in Quali if someone isn't sure whether their submission needs IRB review or not: start a submission in KR IRB, the first question on the second page should be selected "Administrative Determination", the second question should be selected "Activity Not Human Subjects Research", then answer the rest of the questions, and boom – at the end of all the questions, the system will tell you whether or not you need IRB approval. He realizes it's been a time of significant change for his office and the research community, he appreciates everyone's grace in adapting to these changes. Ben's favorite aspect of the job is seeing all the new and interesting research our faculty, staff, and students are doing. Outside the office, Ben enjoys reading, gardening, and discovering new music. He also loves to eat pasta, enjoys a fun trip to Disneyland, and his favorite holiday is Halloween. If you have any questions about the IRB process or want to chat to Ben about any of his interests, write him a [note](#)!

## HS SPPO/UC San Diego News & Reminders:

Please join us in congratulating and celebrating our Director, Erika Wilson, on her 40 years of service to UC San Diego. Thank you for your continued dedication, support, and assiduousness.

- Our office has been getting a lot of questions on the new Biosketch, particularly - Section B. This is a reminder that Section B should only list current positions and scientific appointments, in reverse chronological order. Please see this [post](#).
- If you missed the RCI Hot Topics and Training Program on the Bio and Other Support updates/changes, you can view the presentations [here](#).
- The Research Compliance and Integrity (RCI) Office has launched office hours every Tuesday from 11am to 12pm. You can sign up and have the RCI team provide one-on-one guidance, sessions are typically 15 minutes. To sign up, please visit [calendly.com/ucsdrciooffice](https://calendly.com/ucsdrciooffice)
- Research Service Core news: Rollout of the JPA, MOU, and VAIPA process in RSC Service portal. Starting February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022 staff will be able to login to [RSC Service portal](#).
- Kualo Reminder: there are 3 hard stops in Kualo - Cost Share, PI Eligibility, and New Space. If your record has any of these hard stops, it will need departmental approval before it reaches the HS SPPO stop. Please note, if revisions are requested and the record is returned to the aggregator, the record will need to go through all the approvals once more.
- New to Kualo? Check out available trainings [here](#).
- Working on a sub application? Make sure the forms you're uploading to the PD record include the UEI number, as part of our [minimum requirements](#).
- Need to create or affiliate an eRA Commons account for a Health Sciences department because [NOT-OD-21-109](#) is in full effect? We can [help](#).

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

[NIAID, NIH Post Award Grants Policy and Management Virtual Workshop](#) - February 22-24, 2022

[Learn how to report your NIH-funded publications using My Bibliography Virtual Workshop](#) - February 24, 2022

[HS Contacts Virtual Meeting](#) - March 9th, 2022

[FDP Virtual May Meeting](#) - May 9-12, 2022

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and be entered into a raffle to be drawn at the next Contacts meeting (email [Anastasia Hendry](mailto:Anastasia.Hendry))

### FOR MORE INFORMATION OR IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS

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