



NIH funding opportunities for Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19)

In order to move quickly to fund research related to COVID-19, NIH has released notices for Urgent and Emergency competing revisions and administrative supplements to existing grant awards. Companies that have active grants are eligible to apply to these administrative supplements. This type of funding mechanism moves quickly because the scientific review is conducted internally by NIH experts instead of the traditional peer review process. This allows NIH to move quickly (3 months or less) in awarding funds for COVID-19 research. [NIH Coronavirus research funding](#)

These opportunities are explained in their Notice of Special Interest (NOSI) announcements. Each Institute that is offering this funding has their own NOSI. It is important that you review these notices for your institute that awarded the original grant for special instructions, scope, and deadlines. A list of these notices can be found on the NIH website:

Applications in response to this NOSI must be submitted using the following targeted funding opportunities or subsequent re-issued equivalents:

- [PA-18-935](#) Urgent Competitive Revision to Existing NIH Grants and Cooperative Agreements (Urgent Supplement - Clinical Trial Optional) is intended to provide funds for NIH grantees applying to expand the scope of their active grant.
- [PA-18-591](#) Administrative Supplements to Existing NIH Grants and Cooperative Agreements (Parent Admin Supp Clinical Trial Optional) is intended to provide funds for NIH grantees where the work proposed in the supplement is fully within the scope of the ongoing grant.

To be eligible to apply to these solicitations your existing grant must be have the original project period still active. **If your grant is in a no cost extension (NCE) then you are not eligible to apply.**

If you are eligible and have technology that is applicable you will need to determine whether the additional research you propose is within the scope of your current grant or outside the scope. This will dictate which FOA to use when submitting your proposal. Submissions to both solicitations will be viewed equally, there is no advantage of one over the other.

The NOSI and FOA for these supplements have special criteria and instructions that must be followed. BBC can assist in preparing and submitting these applications.