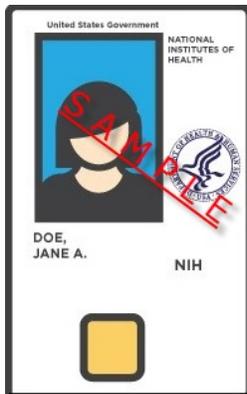**Checking Your Badge Status in the NED Portal**
You don't have to ask your AO to check on your badge status. You can do it yourself. Simply use the link https://nedportal.nih.gov to access the NED Portal and click on the 'Track My Badge Status' button under 'Self Service' in the left navigation panel (Figure 1). Note: you may have to cut and paste this URL into your browser to access the NED portal.

Do not lend your ID badge to anyone! -- lending out your ID badge is prohibited. The issuance of ID badges is based on strict identity proofing and the determination of one's suitability for a specific position classification. To do so is a criminal offense!

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