Funding Opportunity for Bioethics Research Frequently Asked Questions for Applicants

1. I have an idea for an application. With whom should I discuss it?

Answer: Talk to the Program Official for the parent application.

2. How closely tied to the parent award should this project be?

Answer: It should be related, i.e. using the same populations, focused on the same disease/condition/public health problem. Discuss this with your Program Official.

3. Is there a limit on the amount of money I can request?

Answer: No, but applicants are expected to request the funds necessary to conduct the project.

4. If I am not sure whether I'll need a no-cost-extension, what should I do?

Answer: Talk to your Program Official and Grants Management Specialist prior to submitting your revision application.

5. When should I expect to receive my Summary Statement?

Answer: Answer is forthcoming

6. How will I know whether my score is good enough to receive an award?

Answer: Discuss this with your Program Official.

7. When will the funds be awarded?

Answer: All awards will be made before the end of this fiscal year.

8. Why is this funding opportunity limited to certain grantees? Why not open it to all grantees or to all potential applicants?

Answer: The funding opportunity is limited to current U01, UL1, U10, U24, and U54 awardees for several reasons. First, the funds must be awarded in fiscal year 2012; second, NIH is interested in research on two very targeted areas and existing infrastructure and available resources will likely be necessary to provide the preliminary data needed for a competitive revision application; and last, NIH plans to make a limited number of awards that are likely to generate data that will inform policy-making. A limited competition makes the most programmatic and administrative sense in view of these factors

9. May a domestic grantee with foreign components apply for these funds?

Answer: Yes, if the application satisfactorily addresses the research areas described in the FOAs, a domestic grantee is welcome to submit an application.