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RESEARCH DAY

The 9th annual Department of Medicine Research Day will be held on Monday, May 7, 2007. Dr. David Schwartz, Director of NIEHS, will be our visiting professor this year. The poster session will be held in Memorial Hall at the McNamara Alumni Center from 4-7pm. Abstracts must be submitted via website by 4pm on April 2nd at <http://www.med.umn.edu/mend/research/home.html>. You will be notified by April 6th if your abstract is accepted for presentation as a poster. Please feel free to contact Sil Benkovic at 612-624-4620 or benkovic@umn.edu with any questions.

GRANTS.GOV

The change to electronic applications for grant programs currently targeted to transition after May 2007, including Career Development (K), Fellowship (F), Training & Development (T&D) and complex mechanisms will be delayed. NIH, AHRQ and Grants.gov are working together to establish new transition dates for these grant programs. A notice announcing the adjusted dates and [timeline](#) will be issued soon.

SPA received approximately 35 NIH proposals to be submitted through Grants.gov for the February 5th deadline. Out of the 35 submitted, 22 went through without needing revisions and 13 required a total of 21 revisions. In addition, we only heard of 1 that went through without receiving any warning or error messages.

Please remember to view your proposal in eRA Commons after it has been submitted by SPA

regardless of whether or not you received any errors or warnings. However, please note that you are not reviewing the proposal for content. The purpose of this review is to check for technical errors (i.e. crooked or missing tables or garbled text) that occurred during transmission. SPA will not reject and resubmit a proposal for editorial changes to the scientific text. Also, please remember to download the final PDF version from eRA Commons and email a copy to Leslie and/or Joy in the Research Office.

In the event that you do need to reject your proposal for a technical issue, SPA will reject the application and return it to you. When SPA returns a proposal for revisions, it is important that departmental personnel and the PI make corrections to the version originally submitted to the agency. Using a different version of the proposal to make corrections increases the probability of new errors being introduced and identified by the NIH eRA Commons, thereby requiring further corrections and resubmissions.

Please remember to remove all headers, footers, and page numbers from your biosketch, resources page, scientific text, etc. before converting your document to PDF and uploading it to your Grants.gov application package.

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