

# NIH Changes to the Biographical Sketch and Other Support Format Page

*What Investigators need to know:*

- NIH updated its application forms for applications, Just-in-Time (JIT) Reports and Research Performance Progress Reports (RPPR) submitted on or after May 25, 2021.
- Effective **January 25, 2022**, applicants and recipients **must** use the updated Biosketch and Other Support format for applications.
- There are significant changes to the required Biosketch and Other Support format pages.

*Biosketch*

- New Biosketch template is accessible [here](#)
- Under section B Positions, Scientific Appointments and Honor, investigators must include **all** positions and scientific appointments, including
  - Adjunct, visiting and honorary
  - Fulltime and/or parttime
  - Positions for which there is no remuneration or compensation.
- Appointments must be listed in **reverse** chronological order
- Section D, Research Support, has been removed for all but fellowship applicants. Section D remains for fellowship applicants, but will only include Scholastic Performance
- If an investigator would like to highlight current or past projects (formerly included in Section D), this information should now be included in Section A, Personal Statement.

*Other Support*

- Other Support template is accessible [here](#).
- Important Note: Other Support is **not** limited to an investigator's NIH work or funding received through Emory.
- Other Support must include **all** resources made available to a researcher in support of and/or related to **all** their research endeavors.
  - regardless of whether or not they have monetary value, and,
  - regardless of whether they are based at the institution the researcher identifies for the current grant.
- Other Support include but is not limited to:
  - Resources and/or financial support for research; laboratory space/personnel, equipment, or high-value supplies (biologics, chemicals, model systems, etc.) that are not freely available
  - Resources afforded to the investigator through the appointments listed on your Biosketch
  - Students, trainees, and/or visiting scholars working in your laboratory, if they are supported by an external source
  - Research paid for through a consulting agreement. Consulting agreements which do not support research do not need to be included as Other Support

- In-kind Resources: If in-kind contributions are intended for use on the project being proposed, they should be included in the Facilities and Information part of an application rather than as Other Support
  - If in-kind contributions are **not** intended for use on the project being proposed, they should be included in Other Support.
  - In-kind contributions included in Other Support must include the time commitment or dollar value of the resource. If this is not readily available, a reasonable estimate must be provided.
- If Other Support includes foreign resources, copies of contracts, grants, or any other agreement specific to senior/key personnel foreign appointments and/or employments with foreign intuition must be included and they **must** be in English.
- Each PD/PI must electronically sign Other Support document to certify the accuracy of the information.

*Immediate Notification of Undisclosed Other Support.* Please contact your RAS administrator immediately should you become aware of Other Support information that has not yet been disclosed.

#### *Questions?*

Ask your local [RAS administrator](#) or RAS Director. Your RAS unit may be able to guide you and can escalate your question to leadership, as needed.

#### *Resources*

##### Biosketch

- Instructions and Format Pages: <https://grants.nih.gov/grants/forms/biosketch.htm>
- Sample Biosketch(Non-Fellowship): <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/forms/non-fellowship-biosketch-sample-2021.docx>
- Frequently Asked Questions: <https://grants.nih.gov/faqs#/biosketches.htm>

##### Other Support

- Instructions and Format Pages: <https://grants.nih.gov/grants/forms/othersupport.htm>
- Sample Other Support: <https://grants.nih.gov/sites/default/files/other-support-sample-2021.docx>
- Frequently Asked Questions: <https://grants.nih.gov/faqs#/other-support-and-foreign-components.htm>