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Dear Research Community,

Below is information on the current status of various federal submission sites as of 8:30 a.m on today. If you are preparing applications for submission, you are encouraged to check the websites regularly for updates and sign-up for e-mail alerts (if available) for your specific funding opportunity. To receive e-mail alerts for funding opportunities posted on Grants.gov:

- Navigate to [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov) and to the Search Grants tab to find your opportunity
- Click the hyperlink for the Funding Opportunity #
- On the Synopsis Details tab, click the hyperlink: send me change notification e-mails
- Enter your e-mail address and click Subscribe to Mailing List

NIH eRA Commons: [http://commons.era.nih.gov](http://commons.era.nih.gov)

Due to the lapse in government funding, the system on this web site may not be up to date, transactions submitted via the web site may not be processed, and the agency may not be able to respond to inquiries until appropriations are enacted. If you are a grantee or grant applicant looking for guidance, see [NOT-OD-13-126](http://www.od.nih.gov/od/odac/ofwg/not-od-13-126).


Due to the lapse in government funding, National Science Foundation websites and business applications, including NSF.gov, FastLane, and Research.gov will be unavailable until further notice. We sincerely regret this inconvenience.

NASA NSPIRES: [https://nspires.nasaprs.com/external/](https://nspires.nasaprs.com/external/)

At this time the NSPIRES system is available and the Help Desk is taking calls and emails. Check back here periodically for information about the government shutdown impact, if any, on NSPIRES availability, Help Desk operations, and proposal submission deadlines.


Receipt of pre-applications to eReceipt and full applications to Grants.gov is expected to continue during the Government shutdown. Actions related to existing funded grants will likely experience some delay.


Due to the lapse in government funding, this website will not be updated. As a result, the information on this website may not be up to date, transactions submitted via the website may not be processed and HRSA may not be able to respond to inquiries until appropriations are enacted. The HRSA Electronic Handbooks system is operational and the call center is taking calls.

NOAA: [www.noaa.gov](http://www.noaa.gov)

Due to the Federal government shutdown, NOAA.gov and most associated web sites are unavailable. Only web sites necessary to protect lives and property will be maintained.

Library of Congress: [www.loc.gov](http://www.loc.gov)

Due to the temporary shutdown of the federal government, the Library of Congress is closed to the public and researchers beginning October 1, 2013 until further notice.
All public events are cancelled and web sites are inaccessible except the legislative information sites THOMAS.gov and beta.congress.gov.

Additional government resources for ongoing updates and news are provided below:

**White House/OMB**
- Agency Contingency Plans

**Department of Health and Human Services**
- DHHS Contingency Staffing Plan for Operations in the Absence of Enacted Annual Appropriations

**Department of Education**
- Department of Education Contingency Plan

**Department of Defense**
- DOD - What you need to Know

**Department of Energy**
- Department of Energy Implementation Activities in the Case of a Lapse of Appropriations

Updates will continue to be posted to this list-serv and on the OCGA website during the government shutdown.

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