NSF – Administrative Burden
Current Pilot

No Budgets
5 Proposals only requiring budget justification at time of submission
Detailed budgets requested during JIT

No Deadlines
2 programs that do not have a hard deadline

Second Chances
One Plus
Proposals not funded, but promising
Invited to submit for the next round
Much higher rate of success
Research.gov
Platforms Cross Referenced

FastLane

R - Reallocation of Funds Budgeted for Participant Support Costs 09/21/2011 Now in Research.gov

NSF Research.gov

PI/PD or co-PI/co-PD Transfer from One Organization to Another Forwarded to AOR 05/06/2016 Go to FastLane
Research.gov

Multi-year project to move Proposal Submission Fastlane – implemented (1994)

Wishlist
- Maximize Proposal Pre-Population
- Have proposal become more specific to the solicitation
NIH

Mechanism – “OT” Other Transaction
Not a contract, grant, or cooperative agreement
Allows “high degree of flexibility”

NCI – Moonshot Initiative (Biden)
Accelerate cancer research
Goal: Provide more cancer therapies to more patients
Solicitation for feedback: scientific ideas or suggestions
cancerresearch@nih.gov (closes July 1)
NIH – eCommons update

- Change of PD/PI
- Final RPPR to replace Final Progress Report (upload)
- Cross Platform links btwn ASSIST & eCommons

...more functionality coming soon
GONE Act
Grants Oversight and New Efficiency Act


Public Law No: 114-117 (1/28/2016)

(Sec. 2) This bill requires the Office of Management and Budget to instruct each agency, in coordination with the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), to submit to Congress and HHS by December 31 of the first calendar year beginning after this Act’s enactment a report that:

- lists each federal grant award held by such agency;
- provides the total number of federal grant awards, including the number of grants by time period of expiration, the number with zero dollar balances, and the number with undisbursed balances;
- describes the challenges leading to delays in grant closeout; and
- explains, for the 30 oldest federal grant awards, why each has not been closed out.

Tracker:

Introduced, Passed Senate, Passed House, To President, Became Law
GONE Act
... the details
Due December 31st

List of **ALL** expired grants that have not been closed

Describe the “**challenges**” leading to delay
list the 30 oldest award – explain why it hasn’t been closed

If the agency cannot provide all the required information; they need to explain “**why**” noting THEIR “shortcomings” & plans to improve.

**Follow-up:** have they closed “ALL” previously listed outstanding awards reporting to DHHS in turn to Congress

IG of each agency w/ more than $500m annual funding - required to do a **Risk Assessment** on their closeouts

OMB then reports to **CONGRESS** to recommend legislation to “improve accountability & oversight”
GONE Act
… the breakdown


Congress has concerns about “accountability and oversight”

Congress is holding all fed agencies to reporting and explaining why items aren’t closed in a timely fashion while money has been paid out for these awards

*Fun Fact: 80% of all Federal Grants paid through DHHS & PMS*

**QUESTION**

If DHHS agencies are under the microscope from Congress and required to report & explain themselves for any “shortcomings”….

…. What do you think this means for UCLA?
Your PI?
Your Department?
Research Administrators manage a very unique type of workload at both the department and central level. In order to efficiently and effectively manage this special workload, research administrators need unique tools and resources. This "How-to" session co-presented by central and department office research administrators will engage participants in a creative way. We will help other Research Administrators identify:

- who their internal and external constituents are and how to manage;
- how to develop tools for the constantly shifting and competing priorities;
- learn to manage the expectations of the often many parties who often have divergent agendas;
- how to minimize the negative impact of other people's inability to manage their workloads and timelines
This session will provide information to get new users started with the S2S Grants (Cayuse) system for preparation and submission of proposals. Topics include: how to get access to the system, best practices, user resources, and hints and tips.