



Re-Entry/Re-Integration/Re-Tooling Program



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APPLICATION DUE DATES

Application Due Dates

Cycle 1: October 1–December 1

Cycle 2: February 1–March 31

Program Announcement

<https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-23-170.html>

WHAT IS THE RE-ENTRY/RE-INTEGRATION AND RE-TOOLING PROGRAM?

The goal of this program is to provide support for a mentored research training experience for individuals with high potential to re-enter or re-integrate into an active research career, after an interruption for family responsibilities or other qualifying circumstances. This program encourages re-entry and re-integration administrative supplement applications to existing NIH research grants to support full- or part-time mentored research experiences by these individuals. The supplement grants are intended to provide these scientists an opportunity to update or extend their research skills and knowledge and prepare them to re-establish their careers in basic biomedical, behavioral, clinical, translational, or social science research.

The **Re-Entry Supplements Program** is intended to provide mentored research training opportunities for a minimum of 1 year to **re-enter** biomedical research to individuals with doctoral degrees who have interrupted their research careers for family responsibilities or other qualifying circumstances.

The **Re-Integration Program** addresses the critical need to provide individuals, including predoctoral students, who are adversely affected by unsafe or discriminatory environments resulting from unlawful harassment to rapidly transition into new, safer, and more supportive research environments. The goal is to provide these individuals a timely and seamless continuation of their research training programs and to safely re-integrate into the biomedical workforce. Unsafe environments may consist of threatening behavior such as sexual and gender harassment; harassment based on being a member of a racial, ethnic, sexual, or gender minority group; disability-based aggression; aggressions associated with religion; and other similar circumstances.

The **Re-Training and Re-Tooling Program** provides support and protected time for a mentored research experience that allows an early- or mid-career candidate to obtain new skills that can allow the candidate to go in a new research direction while augmenting the parent grant. The intent of the program is to facilitate interdisciplinary partnerships and cross-sector collaborations that would enable the scholar to acquire specialized skills and novel perspectives that would augment the chances for the advancement of their careers.



WHO ARE ELIGIBLE CANDIDATES FOR SUPPORT UNDER THE SUPPLEMENT PROGRAM?

» Re-Entry

- » Candidates for support under the **Re-Entry Supplements** will have a doctoral degree, such as M.D., D.D.S., Ph.D., O.D., D.V.M., or equivalent. In some NIH ICs, predoctoral students, including those enrolled in dual-degree programs (e.g., M.D.-Ph.D., D.D.S.-Ph.D., D.V.M.-Ph.D.) may also be eligible to work with their institution to apply.

» Re-Integration

- » Postdoctoral and predoctoral students are eligible to work with their institutions to apply for support under the **Re-Integration Supplements** to allow them to transition to a new, safe, and supportive research environment and complete their graduate degree.

» Re-Training and Re-Tooling Supplements

- » Candidates with a minimum of 2 years of postdoctoral experience are eligible to work with their institutions to apply.
- » Scientists appointed as research associates, instructors, assistant or associate professors, and other scientists employed in government or industry with experiences equivalent to those of postdoctoral candidates are eligible to work with their institutions to apply.
- » U.S. citizens or permanent residents.
- » Supports candidates from all populations.
- » Each eligible grant can support only one Re-Entry/Re-Integration Supplement at a time.

WHAT DOES THE RE-ENTRY/RE-INTEGRATION SUPPLEMENT OFFER?

The award offers several benefits, including:

- » Budget that includes salary and fringe benefits for candidates, tuition for students, and limited supplies and travel with justification

HOW DOES IT WORK?

- » Proposed supplement project must be relevant to, contribute to, expand, or extend the parent grant project, and the relevance needs to be explicitly explained in the application.
- » Supplement must be within the general scope of the parent grant.

IMPORTANT APPLICATION INFORMATION

- » At the time of the supplement application, the parent grant must have at least 2 years of NCI support remaining. The eligible grant types are listed in the Program Announcement, with the following exceptions:
 - » NCI does not accept P30 as parent grants for Re-Entry Supplements.
 - » NCI does not accept R21 or R21-equivalent mechanisms as parent grants for Re-Entry Supplements.
- » In addition, the following limitations apply:
 - » For Re-Integration Supplements, an R21 or R21-equivalent grant can only support a graduate student candidate.
 - » Parent grant may support only one individual on a Re-Entry/Re-Integration Supplement award at a time. Candidates may be supported by more than one supplement during the development of their research careers.



WHERE DO I LEARN MORE?

Program Announcement:

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Prior to applying, principal investigators are strongly encouraged to contact Re-Entry/Re-Integration Program Directors at curessupplements@nih.gov.



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