All About Review

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How do Grants get Assigned to Institutions and Review Groups?

All grant applications submitted to the NIH go to the **Division of Receipt** and **Referral** (DRR) within the **Center for Scientific Review** (CSR)

DRR/CSR is responsible for:

- ✓ Checking the application for completeness and errors
- ✓ Assigning the application a unique identification number
- ✓ Assigning the application to an NIH Institute or Center (IC)
- ✓ Assigning the application for review
 - NIH Scientific Review Group (SRG)
 - Special Emphasis Panel (SEP)

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Assignment to an Institute or Center

- Based on best fit with IC mission and interests
- Dual assignment for shared interests

Assignment to a **Review group**

- Based on scientific area and appropriate expertise
- Abstract, Specific Aims, & Research Strategy

Other considerations

- Funding Opportunity Announcement
- Requests made by investigators
- Assignment of previous applications

PHS Assignment Request Form

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How do you use the PHS Assignment Request Form?

- List up to five areas of expertise needed to understand and review your application.
- Exclude reviewers. NIH policy allows you to list people who should not review your application, though your scientific review officer makes the call.
- Request assignment from CSR to a study section and Institute.
 - Institute: Suggest institutes that are likely to be enthusiastic about your research.
 - Study section: Suggest review groups that are likely to be scientifically appropriate for your application.
 - Consult online study section descriptions
 - Examine recent study section rosters
 - Contact SRO and PD

Where are Behavioral and Social Science Research in Cancer Control Grants Reviewed?

FY2017 grants referred to the Behavioral Research Program were reviewed in over **114 distinct review groups** including:

- Standing Study Sections
- Special Emphasis Panels (SEPS)



Top 5 Study Sections BRP grants were reviewed in FY2017

- Community-Level Health Promotion Study Section (CLHP)
- Psychosocial Risk and Disease Prevention Study Section (PRDP)
- Community Influences on Health Behavior Study Section (CIHB)
- Interventions to Prevent and Treat Addictions Study Section (IPTA)
- Behavioral Medicine: Interventions and Outcomes Study Section (BMIO)

How do you Know Where your Application was Assigned?

Information about assignment can be accessed in eRA Commons

- Grant number
- IC Assignment
 - ✓ Primary and Dual
 - ✓ Program Director (PD)
- Review Group Assignment
 - ✓ Standing Study Section/SEP
 - Rosters are published ~ 30 days prior to meeting
 - ✓ Scientific Review Officer (SRO)

Now what?

- Questions about the correctness and appropriateness of the assignment?
 - ✓ Contact CSR directly to request a change in assignment csrdrr@mail.nih.gov.
 - ✓ Contact your Program Director
- Questions about your application during review phase?
 - ✓ Contact your SRO
 - Application completeness and allowable materials
 - Roster of reviewers
 - General questions about review process and timeline

Resources

- NIH Scientific Review Group Roster Index https://public.era.nih.gov/pubroster/
- CSR Applicant Resources: Receipt and Referral
 https://public.csr.nih.gov/ApplicantResources/ReceiptReferal/Pages/default.aspx
- PHS and Study Section Assignment Request Form (optional)
 https://grants.nih.gov/grants/how-to-apply-application-guide/forms-d/general/g.600-phs-assignment-request-form.htm



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