Significant Changes to NIH Application Guide for Applications
Due on or after May 25, 2016

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- The combined budget for direct costs for the two-year project period may not exceed $275,000. No more than $200,000 may be requested in any single year.
- **Format Attachments:**
  - Font: Arial, Helvetica, Palatino Linotype or Georgia; size 11 points or larger.
  - At least one-half inch margins (top, bottom, left, and right) for all pages.
  - Do not include headers or footers in your attachments.

**Required Attachments**

- Project Summary/Abstract (30 lines of text)
- Project Narrative (2-3 sentences)
- Bibliography and References Cited
- Facilities and Resources
- Equipment
- Other Attachments
- Biosketch for senior/key personnel (5 pages per bio)
- Introduction (for resubmission or revision applications only)
- Specific Aims (1 Page)
- Research Strategy (6 pages)
- Progress Report Publication List (renewal applications only)
- Budget Justification
- Subcontractor Budget Justification (if applicable)

If yes to human subjects:

- Protection of Human Subjects
- Data Safety Monitoring Plan (if applicable) *(NEW-Attachment required)*
- Inclusion of Women and Minorities
- Inclusion of Children
- Inclusion Enrollment Report *(NEW)*

If yes to vertebrate animals:

- Vertebrate Animals *(NEW)*

**Other Documents (if applicable):**
- Select Agents Research
- Multiple PD/PI Leadership Plan
- Consortium/Contractual Arrangements
- Letters of Support
- Resource Sharing Plan
- Authentication of Key Biological and/or Chemical Resources *(scroll down to #15)* *(NEW)*
- Assignment Request Form *(optional)* *(NEW)*
- Appendix
- Cover Letter

Subcontractors *(if applicable)*:
- Performance Site
- Key Personnel Profile
- Biosketch for senior/key personnel *(5 pages per bio)*
- Facilities and Resources
- Equipment
- Detailed Budget
- Budget Justification