Collaborative Grantseking

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Intro Questions:

Do you have professional research collaborators at your university?

Outside your university?





Objectives

- Why collaborating is beneficial for your research projects and grants
- How to find collaborators
- Best practices in working with collaborators
- Pitfalls to avoid when collaborating





Why Collaborate?

- More minds and more diverse training to tackle the problem
 - Multi-site or multi-disciplinary
- Potential to work with a mentor in your field
- Collaborations can lead to other projects and publications





Why collaborate?

- Potential for more grant funding
- Potential to work with postdocs, grad students and undergrads at other institutions
- Opportunity to use instruments and other resources unavailable at your institution





• What are some other good reasons to collaborate?



How to find collaborators?

- Stay in touch with your advisors
- Professional conferences
 - Poster sessions
- Stay on top of who is publishing in your subject area
- Give and take approach
- Search awards by state or region
- Ask your ORSP office to help make connections





• What are some other ways to connect with potential collaborators?



How to submit?

- Multiple PI model with separate awards for each institution
- Subaward as the lead institution
- Subaward as the sub





Best Practices

- Project Management Plan
 - Define roles and responsibilities
 - Determine how data is being collected:
 - One data pool that is expanded with collaboration
 - Separate but linked projects
 - Data management and sharing
 is it protected data?
 - Human participants or animal subjects
- Budget management plan
 - Each institution will have different budget procedures
 - Work with your grant accountant





Best Practices

- Proposal Writing
 - Narrative should be a collaborative effort
 - Additional components can go to who has strengths
 - Folder sharing is more efficient than email
 - Create a realistic timeline and include a wide margin
 - Create a contact list and schedule regular check-ins





Pitfalls

- Failing to take notes at team meetings accountability
- Know your responsibility for award reporting
 - Collaborative vs. subaward
- Determine your contact and authority with students at other campuses
- Failing to establish authorship protocols before the project begins
- Timelines must expand with more people
- Know when to say it isn't working





Best Practices

<u>Pitfalls</u>



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