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### **NSF Issues Revised FAQs on PAPPG Proposal Preparation, Award Administration**

The National Science Foundation (NSF) has issued newly revised questions and answers on how to prepare proposals and administer awards. The 19-page document, “Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) On Proposal Preparation and Award Administration Related to the NSF *Proposal & Award Policies & Procedures Guide* (PAPPG),” includes alphabetical questions on topics ranging from “Assistance Listings (formerly (CFDA Numbers))” to “Uniform Resource Locators (URLs).”

Several FAQs noted that changes are coming to NSF’s PAPPG requirements. For example, under “Biographical Sketches,” the document states that “the mandate to use SciENcv only for preparation of the Biographical Sketch will go into effect for new proposals submitted or due on or after October 23, 2023. In the interim, proposers may continue to prepare and submit this document via use of SciENcv or use the NSF fillable PDF. NSF, however, encourages the community to use SciENcv prior to the October 2023 implementation.” Similarly, under “Responsible and Ethical Conduct of Research (RECR),” the document notes that requirements “to have a plan to provide appropriate training and oversight in the responsible and ethical conduct of research to faculty and other senior personnel who will be supported by NSF to conduct research will go into effect for new proposals submitted or due on or after July 31, 2023. NSF, however, encourages the community to establish such training and oversight for faculty and other senior personnel prior to the July 31, 2023, implementation.”

[Link to the new FAQs](#)

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