

**To:** MSU Research  
**Subject:** New Henry Ford Health+Michigan State University Health Sciences Proposal Changes Began Nov. 1

Dear Colleagues:

Our plan to develop a joint health research program with our partners at Henry Ford Health continues to make strong progress. One key implementation point involves the submission of joint grant proposals to NIH.

Demonstration of our combined research excellence required the development of an organization for the submission of new proposals and acceptance of awards. Henry Ford Health+Michigan State University Health Sciences (HFH+MSU HS) is now a federally recognized entity under Michigan State University.

While the health sciences colleges (Human Medicine, Nursing, and Osteopathic Medicine) will have the most overlap in grant submissions with Henry Ford, there are many research faculty from outside of the health sciences colleges who will wish to collaborate with the health colleges or HFH faculty on research going forward.

Proposal submissions and award acceptance under HFH+MSU HS will occur in phases. The first phase launched on November 1<sup>st</sup>. This phase includes grant and cooperative agreement applications (excluding contract proposals) submitted directly to NIH where the lead PI is from Henry Ford Health or MSU and has a base appointment in CHM, COM, or Nursing.

#### ***How does this impact you?***

If you are a collaborator on an NIH proposal submission where the lead PI's ***base appointment is in CHM/COM/Nursing/HFH, the proposal*** will be submitted through the new organization, HFH+MSU HS.

- The first potential project start date for HFH+MSU HS awards is July 1, 2023.
- The process for submitting proposals through HFH+MSU HS is very similar to the process for submitting through MSU. Quali Research has been updated to allow HFH+MSU HS to be selected as the Applicant, and two new questions have been added to help with reporting.
- Since HFH+MSU HS has a separate Unique Entity Identifier (UEI), these proposals will show under the new organization in federal sponsor reporting systems.
- Attribution will flow to your college and department as it does now.
- Facilities & Administrative (F&A) cost recovery will be distributed according to the standard practice and methodology for distribution of funds to colleges and departments.

***NIH proposal submissions where the lead PI's base appointment is outside of CHM/COM/Nursing will continue to be submitted through Michigan State University (even if there is a Co-I on the proposal from CHM/COM/Nursing/HFH).***

Please refer to this [FAQ](https://hcrs.msu.edu/index.php/faq) for many commonly asked questions. <https://hcrs.msu.edu/index.php/faq>

Contact information:

- For technical Quali Research (KR) questions for either Proposal Development or Conflict of Interest (COI) modules, please contact the KR help desk at [krhelpdesk@msu.edu](mailto:krhelpdesk@msu.edu) or 517-355-2000
- Specific proposal questions should be directed to your MSU research administrator in your home unit or your assigned OSP Proposal Team.

We appreciate your patience as we work through these changes. Thank you for your support of this important implementation.

Best regards,

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