



# What every fellow should know about Grant Funding

## Fellows Career and Family Series

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# Today's Topics

- Finding Funding Sources
- Getting it Submitted
- Grant Lifecycle



# Where do you start?

- Mentor Relationship
- Have an idea
- Other funding in your field
- Sell your idea
- Network



# ● ● ● | Become a “Web Detective”

- Know where to look
- Review funded abstracts
- Sign up for automated funding alerts





# Apply to as many programs as possible

- Federal agencies and private foundations
- Large programs and small programs
- Develop partnerships
- If at first you don't succeed, resubmit...
- Then resubmit again!\*\*\*





# How do you know what's being funded in your field?

- Look for “News” or “Reports” on agency websites
- Search abstracts of recently funded awards
  - refaware
- Attend conferences





# Where to look for funding opportunities

- Leverage existing web resources
- Google can be your best friend!
- APA Psychology Research Funding Bulletin  
<http://www.apa.org/about/awards/index.aspx>
- American Sociological Association Funding Opportunities  
<http://www.asanet.org/funding/index.cfm>
- OSP Website





# Where to look for funding opportunities

- Duke University:

<http://www.ors.duke.edu/orsmanual/postdoctoral-funding>

- University of Iowa:

<http://research.uiowa.edu/grantbulletin/index.php>

- University of Cal Berkeley:

<http://www.spo.berkeley.edu/Fund/biopostdoc.html>





# Sign up for email funding alerts

- Community of Science
- The Foundation Center
- National Endowment for the Humanities
- “Listservs” from Grants.gov (federal)





# Getting It Submitted

- Know what is expected
- What goes into a budget?
- Use resources



# Analyze the application

- Learn what the funding agency is looking for and see if you're a "good fit"
- Review the agency's webpage for "road maps" or "new directives," as well as agency reports and online publications
- Always follow RFP guidelines





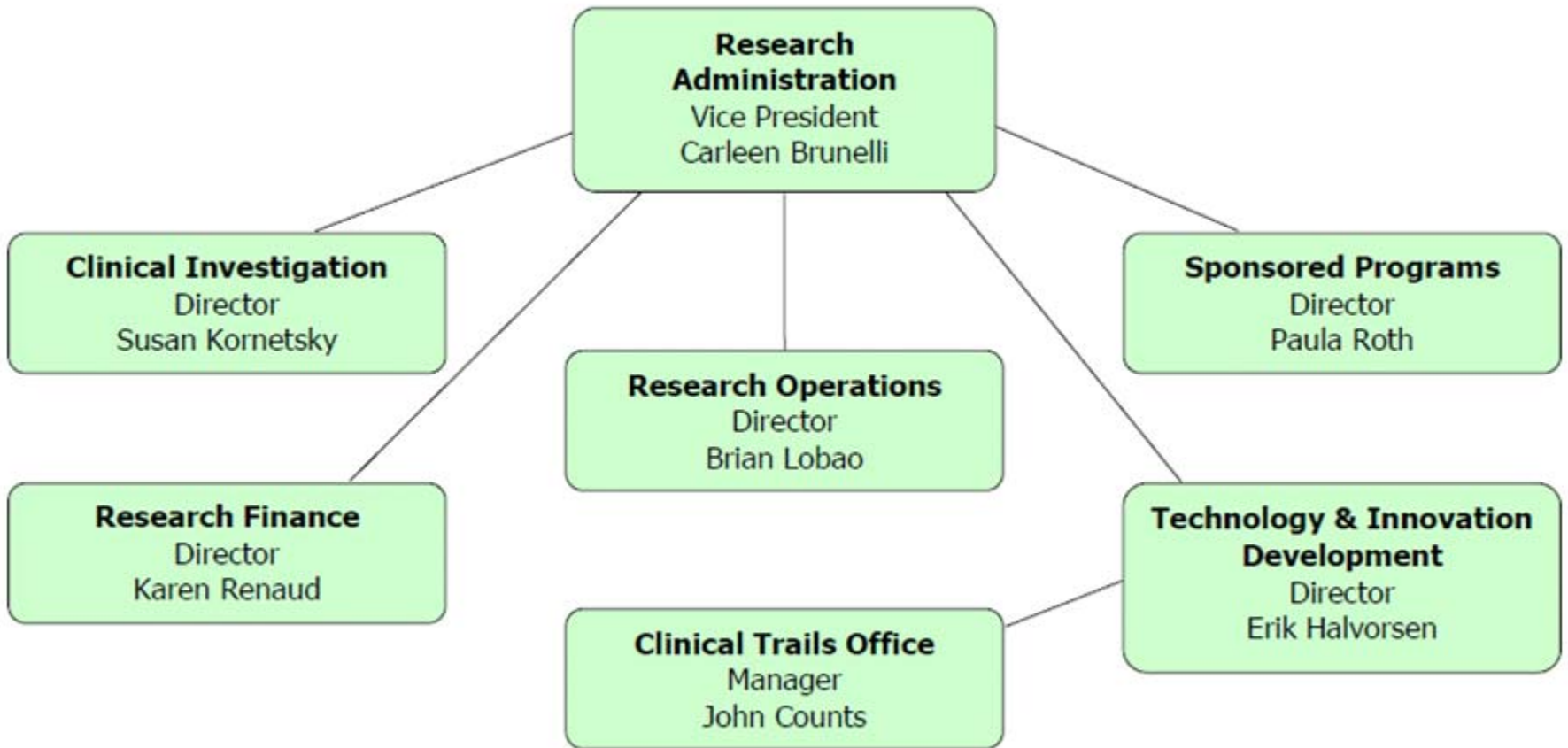
# Why Proposals Don't get Funded

- Guidelines are ignored
- Importance of the project is unclear
- Hypotheses are not supported by literature and/or preliminary data
- Project is technology-driven rather than hypothesis-driven
- Required personnel and expertise not assembled
- Experimental plan is unfocused and hard to understand
- Experiments do not include all relevant controls
- Potential obstacles and alternate approaches are not discussed
- Problems with methods and data analysis
- Work load, budget and/or time-frame unrealistic
- Weak conceptual framework
- Inappropriate acknowledgement of previously published research
- Investigators and/or consultants named in research narrative but not listed on budget or "Key Personnel" page
- Letters of support were weak or unrelated to the proposal



# What Can OSP Do for YOU







# Purpose of OSP

- Review completed grant applications
- Ensure its compliance with sponsors' guidelines and regulations
- Monitor status of application/award
- Follow-up procedures as needed on an ongoing basis





# What DOES OSP do?

- Assist in locating and completing forms
- Review proposed budget in detail
- Communicate other funding opportunities and changes in federal or institutional policies/rates
- Maintain internal website as resource
- Assist in setting up all subcontracts after award





# Who's who?

- **Principal Investigator/ (Fellow)**

The one who does the research

- **Department Administrator**

The one who manages the PI's research projects

- **Grant Officer**

The one who reviews and submits the applications created by the PI and Department Administrator

- **Financial Analyst**

The one who oversees the financial management of the awards



# ● ● ● | The Basics of a Grant Application

## Children's Hospital electronic Research Portal

- “CHeRP” is where we internally house our grant submissions.
- The grant officer will use the information on the CHeRP online cover sheet to input information into CHeRP.



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## CHERP Online Cover Sheet

- Internal form which must be filled out and signed before Grant Officer will review the proposal.



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- Information Page
- Budget and Justification
- Research Sections
- Other Required Information



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## Budget and Justification

- How much money is needed?
- How is the money going to be spent?





# Lifecycle of a Grant

- Identify a Funding Opportunity
- PI completes application
- *CHeRP* online cover sheet given to OSP
- OSP reviews guidelines and application
- PI or OSP sends application to Sponsor
- Grant is Awarded
- OSP and PI prepare subcontracts (if necessary)
- OSP mediates any changes in award



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# Questions?

