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The NIH funding opportunities listed below are only a **selection** of pre-screened, currently open health funding opportunities for which **South African institutions are eligible to apply**. For a comprehensive selection of NIH funding opportunities, please visit <a href="www.grants.nih.gov">www.grants.nih.gov</a> or <a href="www.sun.ac.za/RDSfunding">www.grants.nih.gov</a> or <a href="www.sun.ac.za/RDSfunding">www.sun.ac.za/RDSfunding</a> (current & archive).

Confirm your intent to apply ASAP, but not later than **60 days** before the submission date.

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## **Important Notices & News**

- Why Criterion Scores Don't Add Up. To arrive at your overall impact score, reviewers first consider the core review criteria: significance, innovation, investigator, approach, environment, and any additional funding opportunity-specific requirements.
- Request ESI Status Extensions in eRA Commons. NIH considers you an early-stage investigator (ESI) if
  you completed your terminal research degree or post-graduate clinical training, whichever date is later,
  within the past 10 years and you have not previously competed successfully as program director or
  principal investigator for a substantial NIH independent research award. If your progress toward an
  independent research career is interrupted by medical concerns, disability, family care responsibilities,
  extended periods of clinical training, natural disasters, or active duty military service, NIH may extend
  your ESI status beyond 10 years.
- New Centralized Notifications for Unfunded Applications NOT-OD-19-133 The purpose of this Notice is
  to inform the NIH extramural community of a new centralized, streamlined process for official
  notification of unfunded applications.
- Request for Information (RFI): Strategies to Support Acquisition and Use of Biospecimens for Research
  on Sepsis in Humans NOT-GM-19-057 The National Institute of General Medical Sciences (NIGMS) wants
  to advance the understanding of sepsis and its resolution, and to accelerate translation of this
  understanding into prevention, early detection strategies and improved therapies. Through this Request
  for Information (RFI), NIGMS is seeking input on strategies for acquiring and providing access to
  biological materials from humans for use in mechanistic studies of sepsis.

Brief definitions of some NIH grant mechanisms: comprehensive list of extramural grant and cooperative agreement activity codes

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