

As you may know, beginning June 1, NSF implemented the [Proposal and Award Policies and Procedures Guide](#) (PAPPG) (NSF 20-1) for proposals submitted or due on or after this date.

As you may also be aware, NSF has delayed the requirement to use NSF-approved formats for the biographical sketch and current and pending support sections of NSF proposals until October 5, 2020.

Proposers must continue to format these documents in accordance with PAPPG requirements (see PAPPG sections [II.C.2.f](#) and [II.C.2.h](#)). NSF encourages the community to use these formats and continue to provide valuable feedback.

NSF has made updates reflecting this implementation to the following policy guidance, websites and frequently asked questions:

- Biographical Sketch section of the [PAPPG, Chapter II.C.2.f](#);
- Current and Pending Support section of the [PAPPG, Chapter II.C.2.h](#);
- NSF-Approved Formats for the [Biographical Sketch](#) and [Current and Pending Support](#);
- Frequently Asked Questions related to [Current and Pending Support](#);
- Frequently Asked Questions on [Using SciENCv](#); and
- Frequently Asked Questions on [Using NSF Fillable PDF format](#).

In addition, webinars covering the use of NSF-approved formats as well as all of the significant changes to the PAPPG are available on the [NSF Policy Outreach website](#).

**OSP highly suggests that you begin using SciENCv now to develop your NSF Biosketch and Current & Pending, so you do not encounter issues when submitting to NSF after October 5th.** OSP will continue to update the Virginia Tech community if additional information becomes available.

Please find useful links to help you in this transition on our website: <https://osp.vt.edu/resources/training/sciencv-training.html>