

## Memorandum

To: University Research Community

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Subj.: Revisions to the Electronic Proposal Routing Approval Form (ePRAF)

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The Division of Research would like to advise the university research community of the following updates and revisions to the institution's Electronic Proposal Routing Approval Form (ePRAF).

1. In order to align with federal and state reporting guidelines the "research" grant type field will be updated and replaced on February 8, 2013 with:
  - a. Basic Research – Research undertaken primarily to acquire new knowledge without any particular application or use in mind
  - b. Applied Research – Research conducted to gain the knowledge or understanding to meet a specific, recognized need
  - c. Development – The systematic use of the knowledge or understanding gained from research directed toward the production of useful materials, devices, systems or methods including the design and development of prototypes and processes.
2. An additional question has been added to the main section of the ePRAF inquiring if the submitted proposal is funded, would the PI permit the Division of Research to include the submitted proposal as part of the successful proposal collection on the Division of Research website. The successful proposal collection is used as a reference for other faculty members interested in pursuing external funding and is password protected so only FIU faculty can access the information.

If you have any questions about these revisions to the ePRAF then please contact your Division of Research Pre-Award representative (<http://research.fiu.edu/dor/pages/staff-directory.html>) at 305-348-2494 for further assistance.