

Memorandum

To: University Research Community

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The Division of Research would like to advise the University Research Community that the National Science Board (NSB), the National Science Foundation's (NSF) policy and advisory board, has issued a request for information (RFI) for principal investigators with Federally funded research activity to identify those Federal policies and institutional requirements that increase an investigator's administrative workload.

The RFI was published in the Federal Register on March 29, 2013 (78FR19329) and is available on the NSB website (at: <http://www.nsf.gov/nsb/>). The RFI is open for comments through May 24, 2013.

The Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology (FASEB) has developed a short online survey to collect feedback from the research community on how administrative burden affects investigators in order to forward to the NSB in response to this RFI. The survey is available at <http://capwiz.com/faseb/issues/alert/?alertid=62577686>.

The impetus for this RFI stems from efforts led by the Federal Demonstration Partnership (FDP) which has conducted various surveys regarding administrative burden for researchers. Preliminary results of the 2012 faculty burden survey, which our institution participated in, are available at http://sites.nationalacademies.org/PGA/fdp/PGA_055749.

The Division of Research encourages all federally funded investigators to participate in this survey.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact the Division of Research at 305-348-2494.

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