

# LIMITED SUBMISSIONS AND AWARDS

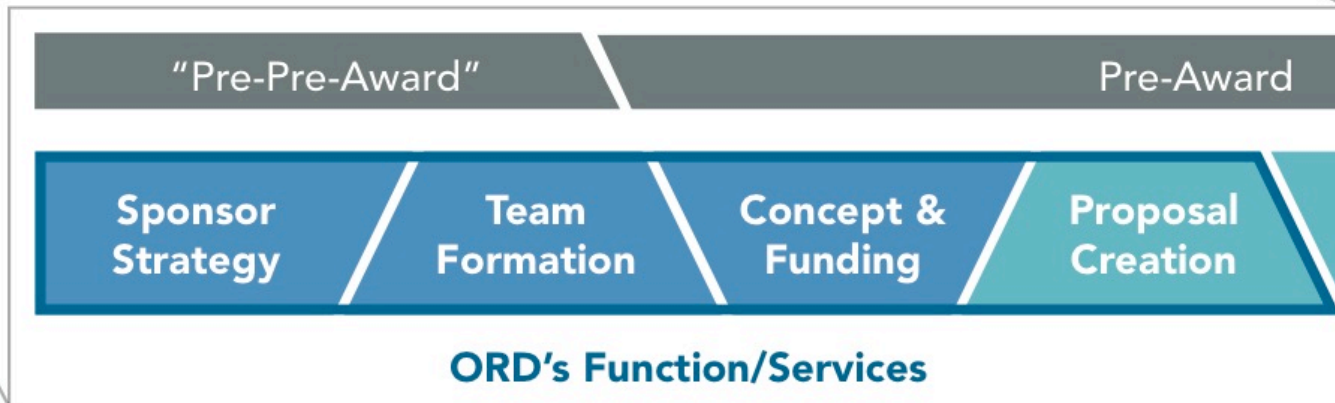
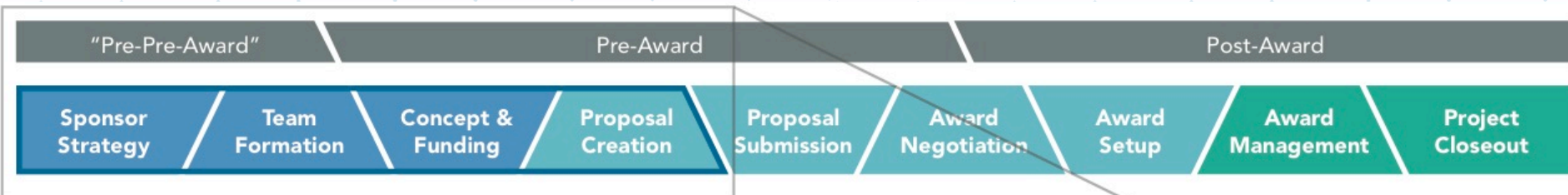
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# GROWING *the* RESEARCH ENTERPRISE *at* CAROLINA

# WHAT IS RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT?



# SUPPORTING UNC RESEARCHERS & SCHOLARS

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Facilitate research project ideation and team formation



Thematic  
Workshops



Collaborations



Strategy  
Consultations

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Identifying external research funding opportunities

- Long-term forecasting of funding agencies
- Customized funding searches



SPIN

World's Largest Database of  
Sponsored Funding Opportunities

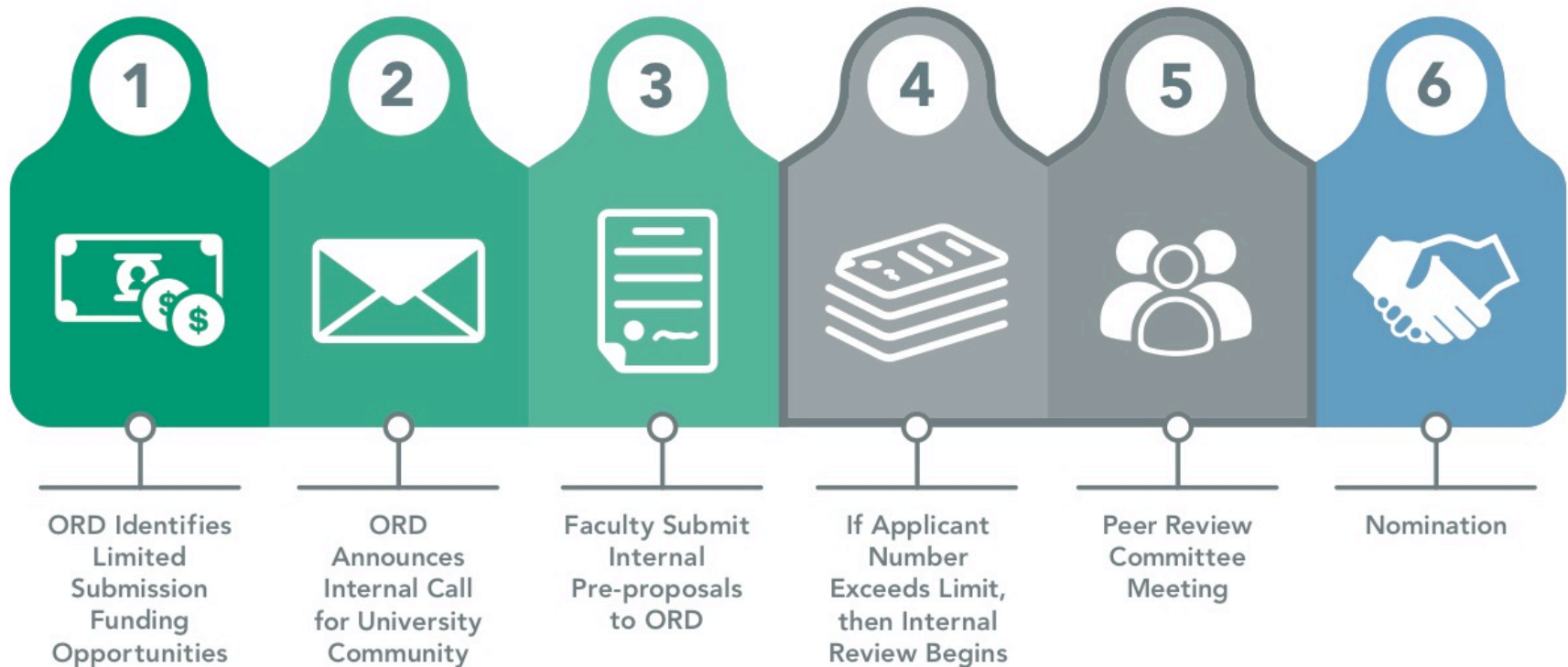
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Opportunities to extramural sponsors where the sponsor **limits the number of applications** they accept for review from a single institution.

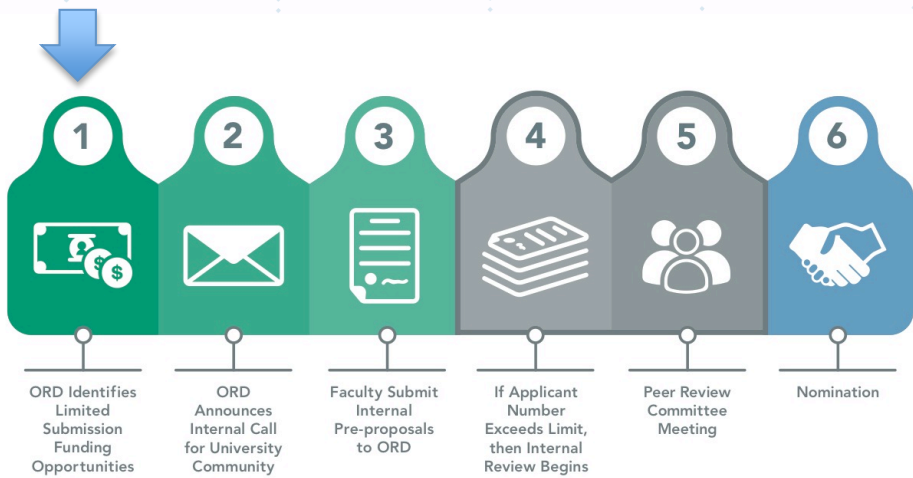
- Limited submissions typically refer to Federal sponsors
- Limited awards typically refer to Foundation or other not-for-profit sponsors

# UNC UNIVERSITY LIMITED SUBMISSIONS PROCESS FLOW CHART



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## Major Research Instrumentation Program: (MRI) Instrument Acquisition or Development

### PROGRAM SOLICITATION NSF 18-513

REPLACES DOCUMENT(S):  
NSF 15-504

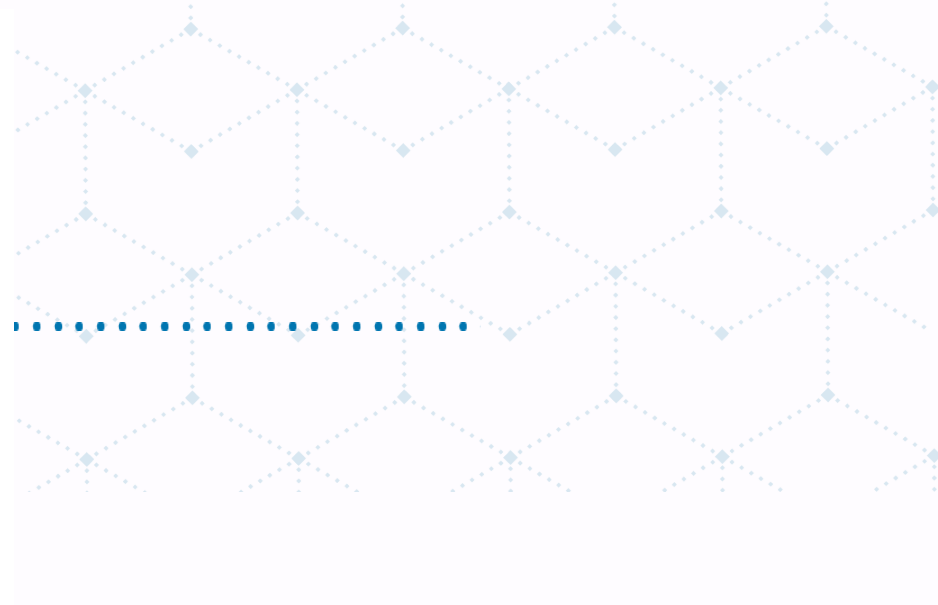
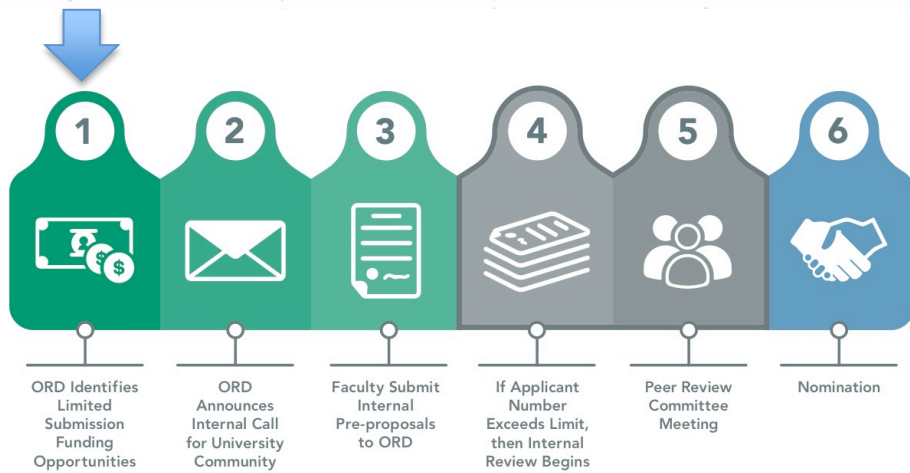


National Science Foundation  
Office of Integrative Activities

#### Limit on Number of Proposals per Organization:

Three (3) as described below. Potential PIs are advised to contact their institutional office of research regarding processes used to select proposals for submission.





## Department of Health and Human Services Part 1. Overview Information

**Participating Organization(s)**

National Institutes of Health (NIH)

**Components of Participating Organizations**

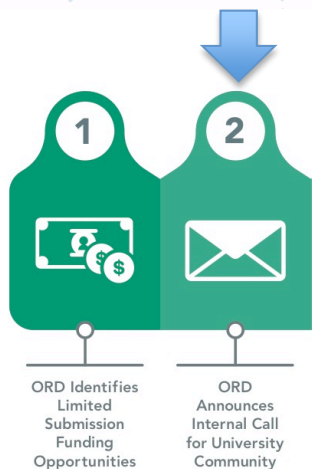
National Institute of General Medical Sciences (NIGMS)

**Funding Opportunity Title**

Collaborative Program Grant for Multidisciplinary Teams (RM1)  
(Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

**Number of Applications**

Only one application per institution per review cycle is allowed, as defined in [Section III. 3. Additional Information on Eligibility](#).



## A MESSAGE FROM THE OFFICE OF RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT

Limited Submissions: Internal Call for Nominations

### The Rita Allen Foundation Scholars Program

**UNC Internal deadline: Wednesday, July 31, 2019**

\*Please distribute to relevant faculty\*

The Rita Allen Foundation invites UNC-CH to provide nominations for the Rita Allen Foundation Scholars Program. Below you will find the internal nomination procedure, award information, and eligibility requirements.

**UNC Internal Deadline to ORD: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, July 31, 2019**

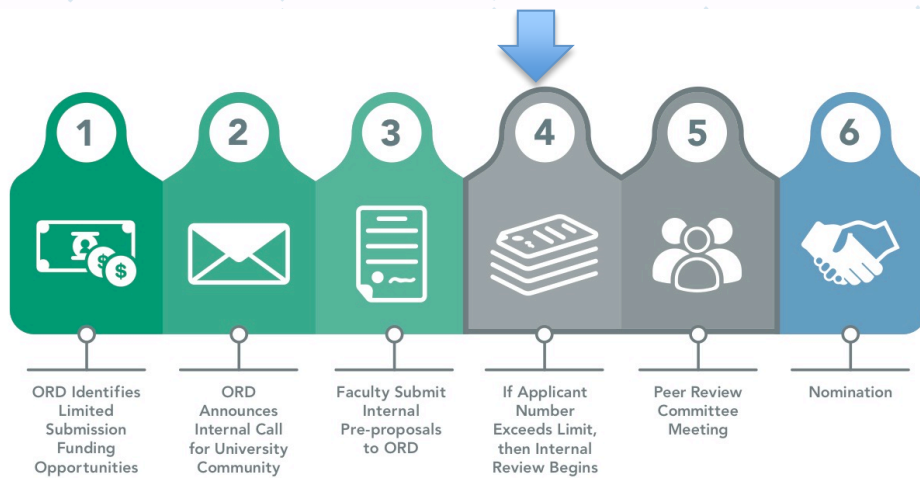
**Rita Allen Letter of Intent Deadline: September 11, 2019**

**Rita Allen Full Application Deadline: 11:59 p.m. ET, October 23, 2019**

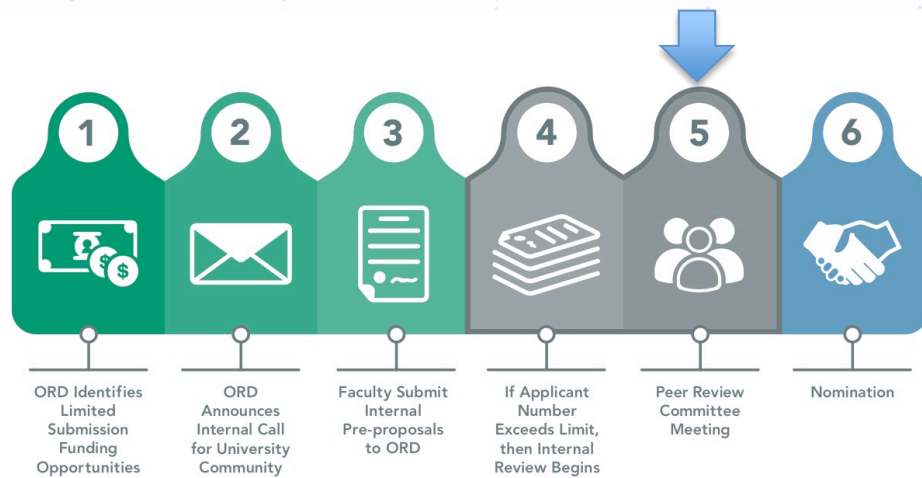
### For Nominations

Submit the following in **ONE .PDF** to [Limited\\_Submissions@unc.edu](mailto:Limited_Submissions@unc.edu) by **5:00 p.m. Wednesday, July 31, 2019**:

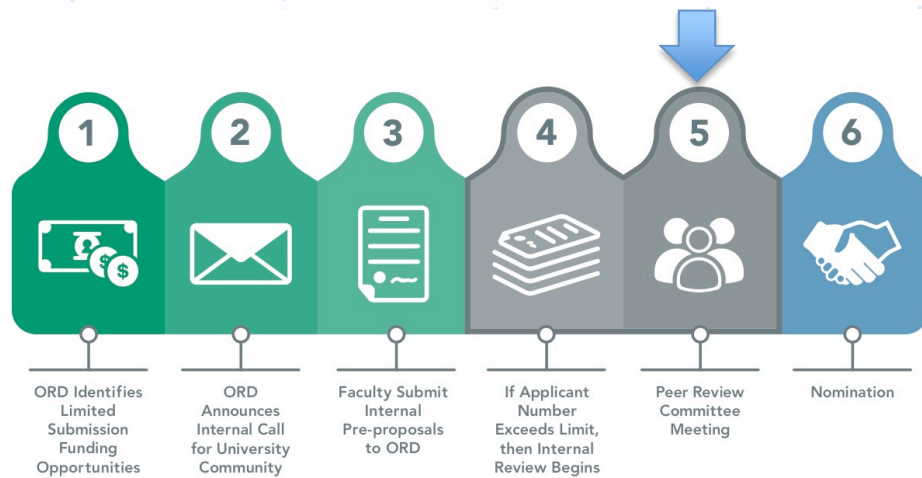
1. **Letter of nomination from the department chair, school dean, center/institute director or equivalently ranked academic official** assessing the candidate's potential and "persuasive evidence of distinguished achievement or extraordinary promise" in conducting innovative basic biomedical research in the fields of cancer, immunology, or neuroscience. Address the letter to Elizabeth Good Christopherson, President and Chief Executive Officer, Rita Allen Foundation
2. **A one-page proposal narrative/plan of work**
3. **A detailed curriculum vitae** including your address, telephone number(s), and email address
4. **Details of past, current, and pending support** from all other extramural funding sources, your role (PI or co-PI) on *current* projects, and percent or person-month time allocations being devoted to each
5. **A description of how a Rita Allen Foundation Scholars Award would enable you to pursue new ideas and take strategic risks** (not to exceed 1 page)
6. **An explanation of how this proposal differs from or relates to your other supported projects** (not to exceed one page)
7. **Names, titles, and affiliations of 5 references acquainted with your work who could write letters of support**; at least 2 references should be outside UNC-CH. Include a brief description of who they are, how they are acquainted with your work/ why you have chosen them as letter writers
8. **Names of three internal (to UNC) experts who could speak knowledgeably about your research and potential for this award as part of an**



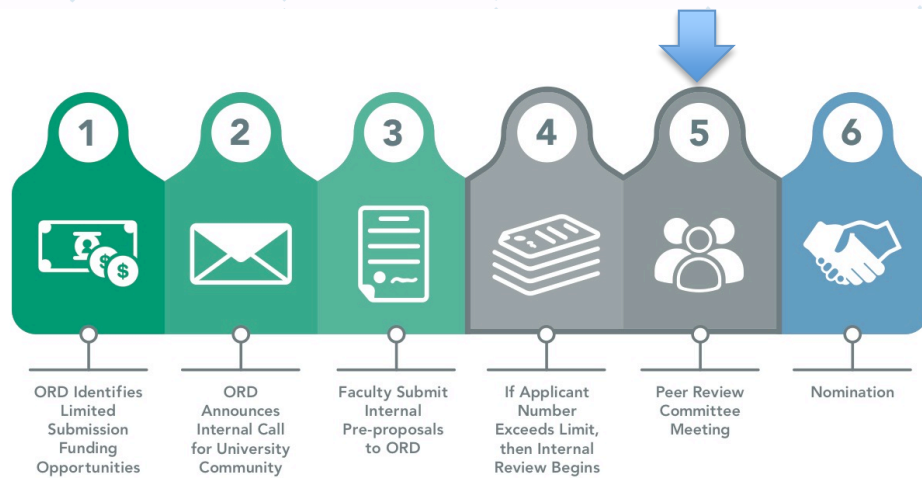
- If ORD gets contacted about an opportunity with less than 8 weeks until a sponsor deadline, we adopt a first-come/first-serve policy and notify OSR
- Proposers nominate their colleagues to participate as reviewers
  - No chairs, deans, or individuals having a supervisory relationship



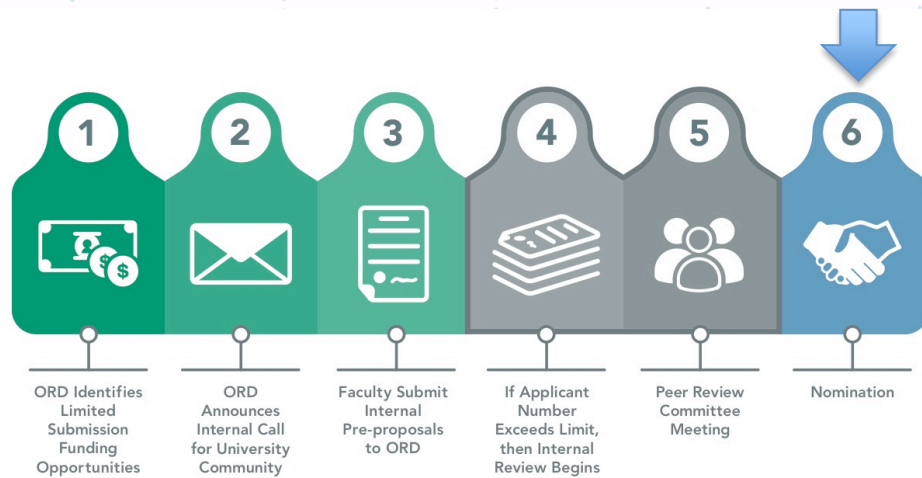
- Reviewers are asked to ‘present’ one application during the review, but to be familiar with all of the internal applications
- ORD also invites current or prior winners of competitions, and Corporate and Foundation Relations staff if the competition involves a foundation



- ORD then reviews goals of sponsors call, the NIH-style scoring scale, asks reviewers to introduce themselves, and reminds reviewers of the scoring criteria, especially if there are non-standard rules.
- Reviewers take turns presenting their assigned proposals, commenting on person's idea for innovation, intellectual merit, broader impacts, etc. as defined by the sponsor.
- Oftentimes for foundations, reviewers are asked to evaluate applicants based on 'fit' with sponsors mission, e.g. publication record supporting particular areas of scholarship.



- We then hold an open, guided discussion about the candidates, and then hold a preliminary vote:
  - often this first vote is a ‘rating’ vote with the lowest score being considered the strongest applicant.
  - If there is a tie, we open up the floor for addition discussion. Factors here can include (but not always) remaining eligibility on a tenure clock, scale and readiness, etc.



- Once a finalist is chosen, ORD notifies both winners and losers and provide feedback from written reviews if available and notes from the discussion.
  - Reviewers often make themselves available to meet with applicants to discuss the review and suggest areas of improvement for the next cycle.
- ORD also notifies OSR and the winner's departmental Pre-Award admin about their selection.
- The chosen applicant then is offered research development support from team ORD or CFR as appropriate touching on the earlier sections of this talk.



# Takeaways

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- Internal review plays an important function in selecting the candidate who will have the best chances of winning the grant/award
  - Additionally, the review allows peers and administrators to learn about some of the best and brightest early career faculty through Foundation award internal competitions
- Proposals are stronger after going through the process, able to incorporate feedback from knowledgeable colleagues, and can serve as a mentoring touch-point for proposer and reviewer
- Important administrative function that not observing can have real consequences

# How can you help with the process?

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- Pass along notices of Limited Submissions and Awards opportunities to your faculty
- If you notice an RFP is a limited submission, please get in touch with us as soon as possible.

# Coming Soon!

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- Limited Submissions and Awards database that will be integrated into the RAMSeS IPF Process

# OUR TEAM

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# QUESTIONS?

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