“Funding Opportunities for Professional Societies”

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Society for Neuroscience Demographics reflect national trends. SfN has run a program to increase representation of diverse groups in neuroscience since the early 1980’s.
What can your Society do that cannot be done at an individual institution?

- Society for Neuroscience (SfN) represents 40,000 neuroscientists in the world.
- One of the pillars of the SfN mission is to provide professional development activities including increasing Diversity and Women in Neuroscience.
- SfN has demographic data on its members and their home institutions.
- Departments in which members are found include a diverse set from Undergraduate, Engineering, and Basic Science in Medical Schools.
Is Your Society Ready to Participate?

- Need Buy-In from leadership
- Society willing to commit resources?
  Staff time for proposal preparation.
  Other resources.
  In-kind contribution for successful outcome of proposed efforts.
- Are there other constraints?
- PI
Get Familiar with the ADVANCE Program

- Attend Workshops
- Participate in Change Programs in your Department
- Talk to other groups that have gotten ADVANCE and PAID grants.
Assemble a group of experts to provide feedback and input

- ADVANCE program experts from multiple institutions
- Wise individuals from your Society
- Interested potential participants
Get copies of successful PAID proposals

- Abstracts of all PAID proposals are available on NSF website.
- Email PIs of successful proposals that have goals similar to your yours and ask for copies – everyone was very helpful.
- Ask around about what proposal would be good to look at for a model.
Evaluation/Assessment

- Important part of any proposal.
- Consult an expert about an evaluation plan if you do not have an expert on your team.
- Think about evaluation as you are planning your proposal (don’t save until the last minute) needs to be integral.
How do you know that you have Succeeded?

- Outcome Measures (Formal Evaluation)
- Dissemination of information beyond direct target audience
- Sustainability of program

- Don’t forget the big picture as you focus on the smaller targets.
Good Luck!
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