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The Office of Research and Development (ORD), on behalf of the Faculty Deans of Research, is now calling for Expressions of Interest (EOIs) from researchers who are intending to submit an NHMRC Project Grant application in the 2011 round where Curtin is the lead organisation.

Curtin is keen to improve the success rate of NHMRC Project Grant applications and the EOI process is designed to assist with this objective.

To lodge an EOI please complete the EOI form and submit it to your Faculty Dean of Research no later than Wednesday 17th November.

The EOI form is available from the ORD website at: http://research.curtin.edu.au/research-funding/nhmrc.cfm

Please submit your EOI directly to your Faculty Dean of Research. It is not necessary to submit your EOI to the Office of Research and Development.

What happens to my EOI?
EOIs received by the due date will be reviewed by the Faculty Deans of Research. They will provide feedback to applicants in early January. Feedback will include suggestions of ways to strengthen the application and some applicants may be encouraged to postpone their application until another round if it is considered that extra developmental work would make the proposal more competitive.

During the EOI process applicants should continue the development of their application in anticipation of a positive outcome.

Please note that applicants given the green light to proceed to a full application will be required to submit an advanced draft of their Detailed Background and Research Plan by the last week of January 2011 for review by the Curtin College of Experts.

Does everyone have to submit an EOI?
All applicants are encouraged to make use of the feedback process and Project Grants will require the support of the Faculty Dean of Research prior to ORD submitting them to the NHMRC.

Instructions to Applicants and Project Grant Funding Policy
Instructions to Applicants and the Project Grant Funding Policy (for funding to commence in 2012) are not yet available from the NHMRC. While some changes to these documents for 2010 applications are expected they are unlikely to be significant. Nevertheless, the 2010 application documentation http://www.nhmrc.gov.au/grants/apply/projects/index.htm#a2 should be read as a guide only.

ORD will advise when these documents are available and when RGMS is open to commence these applications.

RGMS
Please be reminded that RGMS is offline for October. ORD will advise when the system is up and running again for you to commence updating your CV and Profile Information.

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Community of Science (COS) www.cos.com – for funding opportunities

SCRIPT Database - http://research.curtin.edu.au-guides/script.cfm

Research Project Application Tool (RPAT) - http://research.curtin.edu.au-guides/forms/grantsforms.cfm#RPAT