

# **OppNet Request for Applications for Three-year Research Projects: Basic Research on Decision Making(R01)**

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OppNet, NIH's Basic Behavioral and Social Science Opportunity Network, released a new RFA for three-year research projects: Basic research on decision making: Cognitive, affective, and developmental perspectives (R01).

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### **Deadlines**

Letter of intent: **December 18, 2011**

Application: **January 18, 2012**

This OppNet Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) encourages research grant applications that propose to increase understanding of the basic cognitive, affective, motivational, and social processes that underlie decision making across the lifespan. This includes an appreciation of the interactions among the psychological, neurobiological, and behavioral processes in decision making. It also includes consideration of the mediating and/or moderating influences of:

- Culture
- Genetics
- Physiology
- Social environment

The decision sciences have produced a rich literature in some of these areas; nevertheless, certain topics are only beginning to be addressed. Understudied areas include and are not limited to,

- Changes over the lifespan in physiological and psychological processes integral to decision making.
- Interactions of cognition and emotion.
- Behavioral economics and neuroeconomics.

**Follow this link to the complete funding opportunity**  
(RFA-MH-12-130): <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-MH-12-130.html>

### **About OppNet:**

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behavioral and social processes. All 24 NIH Institutes and Centers that fund research and four Program Offices within the NIH Office of the Director (ICOs) co-fund and co-manage OppNet. All OppNet initiatives invite investigators to propose innovative research that will advance a targeted domain of basic social and behavioral sciences and produce knowledge and/or tools of potential relevance to multiple domains of health- and lifecourse-related research. **Applicants should understand that the NIH Institute or Center (IC) that made this FOA available to the public is not necessarily the NIH IC that ultimately will manage a funded OppNet project. Instead, OppNet assigns funding and project management of meritorious applications to the NIH IC whose scientific mission most closely corresponds to that of the proposed research project.**

OppNet uses the NIH definition of basic behavioral and social science research (b-BSSR) ([http://obssr.od.nih.gov/about\\_obsr/BSSR\\_CC/BSSR\\_definition/definition.aspx](http://obssr.od.nih.gov/about_obsr/BSSR_CC/BSSR_definition/definition.aspx)) to determine application responsiveness. Consequently, OppNet strongly encourages prospective investigators to consult this definition, OppNet's answers to frequently asked questions about b-BSSR (<http://oppnet.nih.gov/about-faqs.asp>), and the Scientific Contacts section of each OppNet FOA for individuals with expertise in the research subject matter and the OppNet initiative.

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