



4TH ANNUAL RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE



A FORUM FOR RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT PROFESSIONALS TO SUPPORT PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT, ENHANCE INSTITUTIONAL RESEARCH COMPETITIVENESS, AND CATALYZE NEW RESEARCH AND INSTITUTIONAL COLLABORATIONS.

EXTERNAL ENGAGEMENT WORKING GROUP



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AGENDA

- Last year – what we did
- Needs and Challenges Survey results – NORDP Outreach to Fed Sponsors
- Questions we have?
- Where do we go next?

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- Last year – what we did:
 - Regularly monthly conference calls, 20+ people
 - Newsletter NORDP News: 3 issues so far
 - ** Big Thanks to Jeff Anderson, UTSA!! **
 - FDP, UIDP, AAAS affiliations
 - Meetings with SRA leadership
 - discussions with others
 - Needs and Challenges Survey – NORDP Outreach to Fed Sponsors

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NORDP Members' Needs and Challenges Survey – NORDP Outreach to Fed Sponsors

**** Big Thanks to Gila Budescu, Rockefeller U. ****

+ members of EEC for survey development and distribution

- Survey Purpose:
 - Identifying strategies, priorities, expectations and preferences for dealing with Federal Agencies

NORDP Outreach to Fed Sponsors- Survey Results

- Open on Survey Monkey 10/4/11 – 11/4/11
- 77 responses from 349 members = 22.06%
 - 70.1% Public institutions
 - 29.9% Private institutions
 - 13.7% Emerging Research institutions
 - 7.8% Minority serving institutions
 - 1/3 medical schools
- Research Development Office Demographics
 - 68.4% 1-4 FTEs
 - 21.1% 5-9 FTEs
 - 10.5% > 9 FTEs

Survey Results (cont'd)

- 4 Top Funders:
 - NIH, NSF, DOD, DOE
- Research Expenditures
 - 25.4% < \$50M
 - 17.9% \$51-100M
 - 56.7% > \$100M
- 50% reported working w/ lobby or advocacy groups

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Survey Results (cont'd)

Needs:

1. Knowledge of agency research priorities
2. Knowledge of actual resource allocations by priority areas
3. Anticipating research funding climates at agencies
4. Funding priorities under consideration
5. Greater communication and having input on process and procedures (i.e. review process and submission technologies – 82-92% indicated this as important)
6. Greater participation in decision making involvement in RFA and RFP's
7. Point persons for faculty experts
8. Interactions on campus with agencies (faculty and administration)
9. Webinars, visits, regional meetings most effective of sharing information
10. NORDP leadership needs direct communication with funders
11. Help for non-traditional institutions in NORDP

Survey Outcomes

1. Report + summary
2. How to put survey results into practice?
3. How to interact w/ and leverage EEC activities w/ Fed Affairs?
4. How non-traditional institutions become part of engagement and collaboration
5. Discuss

Where Do We Go From Here?

- Outreach to Federal Sponsors
 - Partially based on survey outcome
- Susan Gomez doc.
- Addt'l Surveys
- PIRE Questionnaire
- Speaking at Federal Agency Meetings and Boards?
- Outreach to additional funders?
- Outreach to additional groups?
 - Corp, Fdn, Fed Relations...