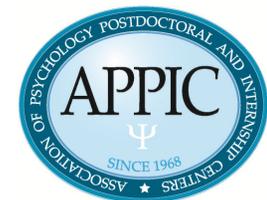


Supplemental Webinar: Consortia

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Agenda

- Conceptual overview of consortia
- Overview of Consortial Agreements
- Review of funding equity
- Self-Study considerations
- Discussion of specific self-study prompts
- Required uploads

IR C-28 I. Consortium

- Definition: "A consortium is comprised of 2 or more independently administered entities, which have agreed to share resources and centralized decision-making essential to the establishment, implementation, and maintenance of a training program."
- Consortia must have stable shared resources described in a written consortial agreement
- An individual agency in an accredited consortium may not separately publicize itself as accredited, unless it has also obtained accreditation apart from the consortium

Overview: Consortial Agreement

APA requirements (from IR C-28 I)

- a) The nature and characteristics of the participating entities;
- b) The rationale for the consortial partnership;
- c) Each partner's commitment to the training/education program and its aim(s);
- d) Each partner's obligations regarding contributions, financial support*, and access to resources.
- e) Each partner's agreement to adhere to central control and coordination of the training program by the consortium's administrative structure;
- f) Each partner's commitment to uniform administration and implementation of the program's training principles, policies, and procedures addressing trainee admission, training resource access, potential performance expectations, and evaluations; and
- g) Approval by each entity's administrative authority (with authority to sign contracts for the entity) to honor this agreement including signature and date.

Overview: Consortial Agreement

- Foundational document for consortia
- Should be one document for the program rather than separate agreements between each training site and a host.
- Should include a date for renewal
- Should include terms for how sites may withdraw or be removed from internship program

IR C-6 I. Intern Funding

- Interns should be paid and should receive basic support for health/medical insurance
- Stipends should be uniform for all interns within a program, including within consortia
- Consortium resources are expected to be pooled, including intern compensation
- Stipend inequity is only allowed in exceptional cases
 - Must be clear in public materials
 - Program should work to identify how resources might be pooled across sites to achieve comparable intern compensation
- Review Webinar 7 for more detail on this IR

Overview: Self-Study Considerations

- Most prompts include instructions for consortia to respond for each training site
- It is helpful to provide consortium-level information first, follow by site-specific information
- It is helpful to the reviewer if the training sites are always described in the same order

Self-Study Prompts

Standard I.A.3

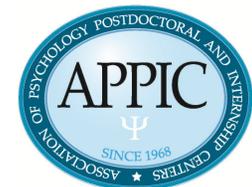
- Describe how the interns are selected for each site of the consortium.
- Provide the amount of the internship stipend.
- If the stipends are not equal across sites, please justify this inequity in light of IR C-6 I: Intern funding.

Required Uploads

- Consortium Agreement
- Consortium Partners/Sign-off Template
 - Template provided on CoA's website and within submission portal
 - (CoA's label: "Consortium Form")
 - List of Consortium Sites, Addresses, Contact Names/Titles
 - Space for optional countersigners

Thank You!

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