

# Clarification: Assignment Deadlines for Applications Submitted Under the NIH Continuous Submission Policy

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## Key Dates

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## Related Announcements

[NOT-OD-17-042](#)

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## Purpose

This notice serves to remind the applicant community of the council assignment deadlines for applications submitted under the NIH Continuous Submission Policy. The policy as described in [NOT-OD-17-042](#), including the due dates and receipt deadlines described in the Notice, has not changed.

Read [NOT-OD-17-042](#) for full details of the policy before planning any application submission under this policy.

### Submission is Continuous – Council Deadlines are not

- Continuous submission is limited to R01, R21, and R34 applications that are eligible under the policy and would otherwise be due on the standard due dates listed in the table below.
- Eligible applications may be submitted at any time, but they will be assigned to Advisory Council rounds based on the schedule in the table below.

For example, a R01 application due October 5 for May Council review may be submitted by a continuous submission-eligible PD/PI through December 16. Applications received on or after December 17 will be assigned to October Council for second level review and funding consideration.

For the Advisory Council Round:	Non-AIDS Standard Application Due Dates		Continuous Submission Non- AIDS Application Receipt Deadline
	R01	R21, R34	R01, R21, R34
May	Oct/Nov 5	Oct/Nov 16	Dec 16
October	Feb/Mar 5	Feb/Mar 16	April 16
January	June/July 5	June/July 16	Aug 16
For the Advisory Council Round:	AIDS Application Due Dates		Continuous Submission AIDS Application Receipt Deadline
	R01, R21, R34		R01, R21, R34

<i>May</i>	Jan 7	Feb 7
<i>October</i>	May 7	June 7
<i>January</i>	Sept 7	Oct 7

- If a funding opportunity announcement (FOA) has a mix of standard and special receipt dates, continuous submission applications **may only be submitted for the standard due dates** on the FOA.
- If the receipt deadline falls on a weekend or a Federal holiday, it automatically rolls to the next business day.
- The NIH late policy described in [NOT-OD-15-039](#) cannot be used to extend these receipt deadlines. Applications submitted for continuous submission eligibility after the receipt deadlines will be assigned to the next Council round for second level review.
- Direct any submission issues, including Grants.gov rejection messages indicating the opportunity is closed, to the eRA Service Desk.

## Inquiries

Please direct all inquiries to:

Frequently Asked Questions and answers have been prepared (see [https://grants.nih.gov/grants/peer/faq\\_continuous\\_submission.htm](https://grants.nih.gov/grants/peer/faq_continuous_submission.htm) ). Any remaining issues/appeals may be directed to a NIH Continuous Submission Committee by emailing [CSR.cont.sub.comm@csr.nih.gov](mailto:CSR.cont.sub.comm@csr.nih.gov)

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