

## **Guidelines for Bridge Funding at the Feinberg School**

The Feinberg Dean's office announces guidelines for bridge funding to assist investigators whose NIH competing renewal applications score well, but miss the funding cutoff.

### **Bridge Funding Award Amounts:**

- Up to **\$80,000** for up to a maximum of 8 months (from time of receipt of peer review results to likely start date of new award)
- Applicants must not have other discretionary funds
- Department will typically be asked to match \$0.20 for every \$1.00 provided by Dean's office, bringing total bridge funding to **\$100,000**

### **Eligibility Criteria:**

- Investigator has no more than 2 R01 (or similar) awards
- Competing applications must carry at least 15% funded salary effort commitment
- Competing applications must have scored near the payline

### **Expense Support Categories:**

- Faculty salary at the same effort level proposed on the unfunded application
- Salary for existing staff already supported by that grant (no new hires or To Be Named positions will be supported).
- Supplies as requested on the existing grant
- Animal per diem costs
- NOT SUPPORTED: equipment purchases, travel, other items at the discretion of the vice dean for research and vice dean for finance and administration.

### **Application Process:**

1. Submit your request for bridge funding to your Chair
2. Chair endorsement and recommendation must be transmitted to vice dean for scientific affairs
3. Chair transmission must include include:
  - a. Summary Statement from Review
  - b. Submitted application
  - c. Date of planned resubmission
  - d. Budget for Bridge Funding period
  - e. Budget justification
  - f. Up to date "other funding" page
  - g. Chair transmission should indicate the level of planned cost share commitment (\$0.20 per \$1.00 of requested support)