

ADMINISTRATIVE POLICY

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| Subject: Bridge Funding | Page 1 of 2 | Policy # Version: 1.0 |
| Title: Bridge Funding at the Feinberg School of Medicine | Revision of: | Effective Date: April 1, 2013 |
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I. PURPOSE

This policy establishes eligibility, application, and other criteria for bridge funding awarded by the Feinberg School of Medicine (FSM). FSM offers bridge funding to assist investigators whose NIH competing renewal applications score well, but miss the funding cutoff.

II. PERSONS AFFECTED:

Investigators seeking a bridge funding award from FSM.

III. POLICY STATEMENT

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.

IV. PROCEDURE STATEMENT

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:
 - a. Summary Statement from Review
 - b. Submitted application
 - c. Date of planned resubmission
 - d. Budget for Bridge Funding period

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- 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)

V. POLICY UPDATE SCHEDULE:

Policy review to occur one year after initial implementation and every three years thereafter.

VI. REVISION HISTORY: