



## ***NCURA Region VII***

### *January-February News*

*Inspiring research administrators to pioneer frontiers*

## **Happy New Year!**

Happy New Year Region VII! We are excited to kick 2020 off with you all.

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And as always- SAVE THE DATE for Region VI & VII Regional Meeting, October 25-28 at the JW Starr Pass Resort and Spa in Tucson, Arizona!

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**A Message from Past Chair Diane Barrett...**



Friends, I want to thank you for the past two years as your chair-elect and then chair of Region VII. There has been a lot of discussion, a lot of planning, a lot of thinking about what our region is and where it is going. It has been so energizing to listen and plan. We truly are a region of pioneers, and I am so glad that we are celebrating our western spirit.

I am handing off the jackalope headgear to Ashley Stahle, your new Chair. She and your elected executive team have wonderful ideas for continuing the journey that is Region VII. I am grateful already for their leadership.

*Riane*

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## Meet your 2020 Officers!

Your Region VII officers are excited for 2020 and what this year holds! Those new to their positions are marked with (new!). Please join Region VII in welcoming this great group of leaders!

Have questions, ideas, comments for the officers?

Please email the Chair, Ashley Stahle at [ashley.stahle@colostate.edu](mailto:ashley.stahle@colostate.edu)

Past Chair

Chair

Chair Elect (new!)



Diane Barrett

Colorado State University



Ashley Stahle

Colorado State University



Trisha Southergill

Montana Technological University

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Past Treasurer

Treasurer

Treasurer Elect (new!)



Jennifer Lawrence

University of Arizona



Chelo Jorge

Colorado State University



Liz Grinstead

Colorado State University

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Secretary (new!)

Member-at-Large

Member-at-Large (new!)



Joelina Peck

Arizona State University



Natalie Buys

University of Colorado  
Denver



Nicole Quarterio

Colorado State University-  
Pueblo

Chair Appointed Member of  
the Region VII Executive  
Committee (new!)

Regionally-Elected Member  
of the National Board of  
Directors

Nominating and Leadership  
Development Committee



Beth Kingsley

Denver Health



Vicki Krell

Arizona State University



Christa Johnson

Colorado State University

## Volunteerism with Region VII

I want to THANK each and every one of you who volunteered in 2019! It was such a successful year in our Region and that is a result of the wonderful volunteers we had. I would like to especially thank Diane Barrett, whose leadership in 2019 brought about many changes and moved our Region forward substantially. In October, we hosted a very successful regional meeting in Seattle, WA. The location and the program were both fantastic! Of the 89 attendees from Region VII, we had 29 presenters, 4 workshop faculty and 16 additional volunteers. THANK YOU!

Finally, I want to take a moment to thank everyone for the wonderful support provided to me in the Volunteer Coordinator role over the last three years. This has been such a wonderful opportunity for me to get to know many of you in this region and we have such terrific people with vast knowledge of this field! The Volunteer Coordinator is an important role and it is with great enthusiasm to introduce the Region VII's new Volunteer Coordinator, Alexa Van Dalsem. Please help me in welcoming her to this new role!

—Natalie Buys, University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus

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## Meet Alexa!

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Alexa Van Dalsem is Assistant Director in the Office of Contracts and Grants (OCG) at the University of Colorado Boulder. Alexa worked for the last 13 years on proposals, starting as a grant writer for an education non-profit and moving in to research administration at CU Boulder as a Proposal Analyst and later Senior Manager of Proposal Development. Research administration has been the perfect field for Alexa to combine her interest in education policy with supporting research in a university environment. At OCG, Alexa has co-lead a variety of professional development trainings; worked on the implementation of an eRA system, team knowledge management system, budget templates, and proposal processing form; championed the use of proposal submission checklists; and mentored new research administrators. Promoted in January 2020 to Assistant Director, Alexa is now focusing on research security, compliance, and research administration policy.

Attending an annual NCURA meeting for the first time in 2013 was an eye-opening and career changing experience, where Alexa discovered the wide world of research administration and a hugely supportive and knowledgeable network (even for introverts!). Alexa has volunteered with NCURA since 2016, starting with presentations and working the registration desk at a regional meeting and moving to serving on a regional meeting program committees, the Communication Task Force for Region VII, and presenting at an annual NCURA meeting. When Natalie Buys asked for a volunteer for the Volunteer Coordinator position at the 2019 annual NCURA meeting, Alexa jumped at the opportunity. Alexa strives to support and encourage those she mentors and works with so

they can provide excellent and innovate work and develop personally and professionally, and NCURA is a huge complement to this.

Alexa has her CRA, BA from St. John's College, and MA in Education Philosophy and Policy from Columbia University. When she's not having fun with research administration, Alexa spends her time outside with her husband, three kids, cats, dog and flock of chickens and training for triathlons.

**INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING?**

Email Alexa at [alexa.vandalsem@colorado.edu](mailto:alexa.vandalsem@colorado.edu)

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**LeadMe Class of 2020 -  
Welcome!**

# 2020 LeadMe Program Class & Pairings

Program Chair: Derick Jones, Lundquist Institute  
Program Co-Chair: Nancy Lewis, University of California, Irvine

## Mentees

Tansy Aguilar-Palencia  
Cedars-Sinai Medical Center

Angela Garvin  
Emory University

Louisa Guerrero-Kalasa  
Lundquist Institute

Liza Hunn  
Colorado State University

Jason Park  
University of California, Irvine

Vicki Russell  
University of Idaho

Heather Taff  
University of Idaho

Kartik Yadav  
University of California, Irvine

Emily Yu  
University of California, Irvine

Josie Zamora  
University of New Mexico

## Mentors

Sandra Purves  
Lundquist Institute

Allison Weber  
Lundquist Institute

Rashonda Harris  
Emory University

David Scarbeary-Simmons  
University of California, San Francisco

Theresa Caban  
Lundquist Institute

Manilyn Matau  
University of California, Irvine

Diana Stephens  
University of California, Irvine

Derick Jones  
Lundquist Institute

Sarah Martonick  
University of Idaho

Brigidann Cooper  
Lundquist Institute

## MINTs

Kenwyn Richards  
University of Idaho

Patrick Lennon  
University of Washington

Patrick Lennon  
University of Washington

Jason Papka  
Idaho State University

William Tocki  
University of Southern California

Rachel Chapman  
Colorado State University

Kenwyn Richards  
University of Idaho

William Tocki  
University of Southern California

Jason Papka  
Idaho State University

Rachel Chapman  
Colorado State University

Congratulations to our LeadMe Class of 2020!

We are excited to see your journey and watch you grow!

Region VII Participants this year are:

Mentees:

Liza Hunn, Colorado State University

Vicki Russell, University of Idaho

Heather Taff, University of Idaho  
Josie Zamora, University of New Mexico

MINTS:

Kenwyn Richards, University of Idaho  
Jason Papka, Idaho State University  
Rachel Chapman, Colorado State University

Mentor:

Sarah Martonick, University of Idaho

Interested in learning more about the LeadMe program?

[CLICK HERE](#)

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# Changes Are Coming!

## NSF PAPPG (NSF 20-1) Effective June 1, 2020

The new Proposal and Award Policies and Procedures Guide (PAPPG) has been issued. **These changes will be effective for proposals submitted or due, and awards made, on or after June 1, 2020.**

Significant Changes Include:

- Requirement of NSF-approved format for biographical sketch and current and pending support documents. SciENCv will be an NSF-Approved format for both documents.
- New requirement for proposing organizations to submit government-wide representations and certifications in the System for Award Management (SAM)
- New requirement for providing e-mail documentation of Program Officer approval for the submission of RAPID and EAGER proposals
- Clarifications to current and pending support coverage as well as other changes throughout the document



NSF will be hosting a webinar covering the changes on February 6, at 2PM EST.

[Click Here to Register for the Webinar](#)

[Click here to access the PAPPG NSF 20-1](#)

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## Unique Entity Identifier Update!

The DUNS number is going away... and is being replaced with Unique Entity Identifier (UEI). Already, the RA community is seeing UEI being referenced in proposals and guidance. Make sure you know what steps your institution will need to do to ensure that your transition from DUNS to UEI is as smooth as possible and communicated to your internal users.

### **Here is some highlighted information from GSA:**

Starting in December 2020, the DUNS number will no longer be the official identifier for doing business with the U.S. Government.

### **Transition for Existing Entities**

- Your registration will automatically be assigned a new UEI which will be displayed in SAM.gov.
- The purpose of registration, core data, assertions, representations & certifications, points of contacts, etc. in SAM.gov will not change and no one will be required to re-enter this data.
- The DUNS number assigned to the registration will be retained for search and reference purposes.

### **New Process to Obtain a UEI**

Starting in December 2020, we are making it easier to get a UEI by streamlining the request and ongoing management process. Entities will go to a single place, SAM.gov, to:

- Request their UEI and register their entity to do business with the U.S. Government.
- Make any updates to their legal business name and physical address associated with the UEI.
- Find customer support at a single help desk for all UEI and entity registration issues.

### **Information from Grants.Gov:**

Expect to see the DUNS field to be replaced by UEI field. Please enter your DUNS into the UEI field until further notice from Grants.Gov

[Click Here for more information from Grants.Gov](#)

[Click here for more information from GSA and to learn more about UEI](#)

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## **SciENcv for Biosketch Creation**

### **What is SciENcv?**

Science Experts Network Curriculum Vitae (SciENcv) is an electronic system that helps researchers assemble the professional profile needed for application of federal funds. Your researchers can use SciENcv to create and maintain their biosketches.

### **Why should I care?**

SciENcv will be used by NSF and NIH in their proposal process. Currently, both sponsors are highly encouraging, and it will become a requirement for NSF submissions starting June 1, 2020.

### **Okay- How do I sign my researcher up?**

Click on the below ORANGE link to access the SciENcv website and click the big blue button "Click Here to Start"

You can sign in with a login from eRA Commons, NSF, NCBI, or many other third party options.

Kristi Winseck with University of Colorado Boulder has put together a step-by-step guide on accessing and linking information to SciENcv.

[CLICK HERE to access the SciENcv Boulder Step by Step Guide](#)

Heather Sears at University of California San Diego shared their guide on RESADM-L List Serve taking you through step by step on how to generate a NSF biosketch.

[CLICK HERE to access the UCSD Step by Step Guide](#)

[CLICK HERE to access SciENcv](#)

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## ORCID ID Updates - NIH K and F Awards

### What is ORCID?

Open Researcher and Contributor Identifier (ORCID) provides a persistent digital identifier (an ORCID iD) that distinguishes someone from other researchers and a record that supports automatic links among all their professional activities. ORCID iD is designed to be a career-long identifier. Registration is free. Researchers can link their ORCID iD with eRA Commons and SciENcv, along with other systems. Encourage all of your researchers, from Graduate Students to Senior Scientists, to register if they haven't already.

### NIH F and K Awards

ORCID iDs are required for PD/PIs on individual fellowship and career development applications submitted for due dates on or after January 25, 2020. If there isn't a linked ORCID iD, an error will be generated preventing the application from moving forward to NIH for consideration.

Kristi Winseck with University of Colorado Boulder also put together a resource showing step-by-step registration and account setup with ORCID.

[CLICK HERE to access the ORCID Boulder Step by Step Guide](#)

[Click Here for information from NIH](#)

[Click Here for the Open Mike Blog Post about ORCID iDs](#)

[Click Here for Guide Notice Number: NOT-OD-19-109](#)

[CLICK HERE to access ORCID](#)

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**Save the Date - Region VI & VII Meeting  
October 25-28, 2020 in Tucson, Arizona**



We are already so excited for the Region VI and VII meeting in Tucson, Arizona in late October at the JW Marriott Starr Pass Resort and Spa!

Start thinking about your ideas for presentations and workshops!

Interested in being a part of the development and success of this meeting?

Email Ashley Stahle at [ashley.stahle@colostate.edu](mailto:ashley.stahle@colostate.edu)



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