

Guidelines for Preparing an ANA Research Grant Application

The following are provided to aid the applicant in submitting an acceptable grant application.

No application should be more than 5 pages long (excluding any graphics, references, or author information). **Applications not following these guidelines may not be reviewed for funding.**

1. A response for each category of the application **is required**. The length of any individual response can be modified at the author(s) discretion within the 5-page limit.
2. Please use 11-point Times Roman font, single-spaced, and margins not less than ½ inch.
3. All personnel vitae should be submitted using the eRA-Commons format available at NIH or NSF websites.
4. No manuscript publication fee requests will be included in an award.
5. No indirect costs will be included in an award.
6. The entire application should be submitted as a single PDF or WORD file.

Introduction to Application (1 page)

The Introduction should include a brief summary of the most recent and relevant research and a statement of the primary purpose or research question(s) for the study. A generic review of the etiology, development, treatment, or post-treatment outcomes/effects of Vestibular Schwannoma/Acoustic Neuroma is not necessary. The introduction should focus on the issues pertaining to the present grant application.

Research Question (1/2 page)

Give a concise statement of the research question(s) specific to this grant (e.g., solve a specific problem, test a hypothesis, evaluate a treatment approach, challenge an existing paradigm or clinical practice, assess feasibility, etc.).

Impact Statement (1/2 page)

Identify the primary (1) scientific and (2) patient impact(s) of each of the research question(s). What will be added to our current knowledge of AN?

Research Strategy (3 pages)

Complete this section using the following major headings: Participants, Study Design, Analysis Method, and Potential Outcomes. Subheadings can be used within each of these as needed.

Participants: Describe the characteristics of the participant sample (e.g., age, gender, racial/ethnic, AN characteristics, etc.) as appropriate.

Study Design: Describe how the study will be conducted, including participant selection and assignment procedures (if more than one group), instrumentation, or procedures to be used in the collection of dependent variable data, potential independent variables, length of study including projected total time to completion, length of procedures for patients, outcome collection procedures, etc.

Analysis Method: Briefly describe the procedures used to analyze the collected data, whether qualitative or quantitative. Explain how the procedures will answer the research question(s).

Potential Outcomes: Briefly describe the expected outcome(s), including the impact that the results will exert on the research field(s) involved.

References

Include complete reference citation for all references cited in the application. This section need not be included in the 5-page application limit.

The following should be included as Appendices and are not part of the 5-page limit.

Budget

Provide an estimate of the budget that will be needed to complete the project, including salaries, materials, instrumentation, contractual support, etc. The ANA grant does not include any indirect costs as part of the award.

Personnel

All vitae information should be submitted using the eRA-Commons format for all Senior and Key personnel.