

# NIJ's Research and Evaluation on Law Enforcement Responses to Opioid Overdoses

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# NIJ's FY24 Research and Evaluation on Law Enforcement Responses to Opioid Overdoses

Solicitation: O-NIJ-2024-171913

Solicitation Post Date: November 27, 2023 | Solicitation Close  
Date: February 26, 2024

*Grants.gov Deadline: February 12, 2024*

## Webinar Presenter:

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# Today's Webinar Agenda

- Introduction (NIJ Director La Vigne)
- The Solicitation
- The Application Process
- NIJ Review Process
- Support and Resources
- Q & A



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## Solicitation Purpose & Goals

- Increasing our understanding of law enforcement responses to opioid overdoses
- Increase our understanding of the breadth and complexity of linked community agencies
- Increase our understanding of specific practices used to ensure the well-being, assessment, and protection of children in these situations



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## Expected Deliverables

1. Standard grant reporting requirements
  - Semi-annual research performance progress reports
  - Quarterly financial reports
2. Final Research Report
3. Associated data sets or files
4. Scholarly products



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# Application Submission

## Critical Application Elements:

- Program Narrative
- Budget Web-Based Form (budget details and narrative)
- Curriculum vitae or resume for Key Personnel

## Required Forms:

- SF-424
- SF-LLL



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# Two-Step Application Submission Protocol

## 1. Grants.gov

- Submit SF-424 and SF-LLL forms ONLY
- Deadline: **February 12, 2024**
- Register at <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/register.html>

## 2. JustGrants

- Submit the FULL application, including all attachments
- Deadline: **February 26, 2024**
- Register at <https://justicegrants.usdoj.gov/getting-started>



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# Application Review Process

- Basic Minimum Requirement Determination
- External Expert Review
  - Technical and practitioner reviewers
  - Independent scores and comments
- Internal Review
  - NIJ science staff, NIJ leadership and other federal subject matter experts
- All funding decisions are made at the discretion of the NIJ Director



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# Common Critiques Raised During Peer Review Process

## Statement of the Problem

- Fails to identify gaps in the current literature or understanding of current research
- Literature review is insufficient
- Scope of the proposed research is extremely limited or too ambitious

## Research Design

- Overall strategy is not well articulated
- Design/methods approach does not logically flow/unclear
- Proposed sample size is not supported by a power analysis
- Project is not feasible



# Common Critiques Raised During Peer Review Process

## Capabilities and Competencies

- Proposed staff does not demonstrate familiarity or proficiency with the proposed methods
- Project team does not include necessary and appropriate subject matter experts.

## Potential Impact

- Dissemination plan lacks specificity and/or is not innovative
- No plan for reaching non-academic audiences



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# Tips

- Proposals should be
  - Well-written
  - Innovative
  - Timely
  - Rigorous and well-designed
  - Feasible
  - Impactful
- Research/Evaluation Independence
- Letters of Support



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## What Will **NOT** be Funded

- **Unresponsive** applications
- **Duplicative**/similar research
- Applications to **purchase** equipment/materials/supplies, etc.
- Training/direct services **unrelated** to project



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## FAQs

- Award amount + period of performance
- Timing of award and non-award notifications
- Foreign entities / subrecipients / co-investigators
- Filling and submitting forms / IRB / HSP / New Investigator



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# Support

- **OJP Response Center**
  - Phone: (800) 851-3420
  - Email: [grants@ncjrs.gov](mailto:grants@ncjrs.gov)
- **Grants.gov**
  - Phone: (800) 518-4726
  - Email: [support@grants.gov](mailto:support@grants.gov)
- **JustGrants**
  - Toll-free: +1 (833) 872-5175
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## Recommended Resources

- OJP Funding Resource Center:  
<https://www.ojp.gov/funding>
- DOJ Grants Financial Guide:  
<https://www.ojp.gov/funding/financialguideojp/overview>
- NIJ Funding FAQs:  
<https://nij.ojp.gov/funding/faqs>



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# Questions?

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