

**§ 63.1 To what programs do these regulations apply?**

(a) The regulations in this part apply to research traineeships awarded by the Director, NIH, each director of a national research institute of NIH, the Director of the National Library of Medicine, and the Director of the National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine, or their designees, pursuant to sections 402(b)(13), 405(b)(1)(C), 413(b)(3), 472, and 485(D)(a) of the Act, respectively.

(b) The regulations of this part do not apply to research training under the National Research Service Award Program governed by 42 CFR part 66 or to the Mental Health Traineeship Program governed by 42 CFR part 64a.

(c) Except as otherwise permitted under section 413(b)(3) of the Act, the regulations of this part do not apply to residency training of physicians or other health professionals.

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**§ 63.2 Definitions.**

As used in this part:

*Act* means the Public Health Service Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 201 *et seq.*).

*Award* means an award of funds under sections 402(b)(13), 405(b)(1)(C), 413(b)(3), 472, 485D(a), or other sections of the Act which authorize research training or traineeships.

*Awardee* means an individual awarded a traineeship under sections 402(b)(13), 405(b)(1)(C), 413(b)(3), 472, 485D(a), or other sections of the Act which authorize research training or traineeships.

*Director* means the Director, NIH, the director of a national research institute of NIH, the Director of the National Library of Medicine, and the Director of the National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine, or any official of NIH to whom the authority involved has been delegated.

*HHS* means the Department of Health and Human Services.

*Misconduct in science* shall have the same meaning as prescribed in § 50.102 of this chapter.

*NIH* means the National Institutes of Health.

*PHS* means the Public Health Service.

*Traineeship* means an award under the regulations of this part to a qualified individual for that person's subsistence and other expenses during the period that person is participating in the research training approved under the award.

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**§ 63.3 What is the purpose of traineeships?**

The purpose of an NIH research traineeship is to provide support for financial subsistence to an individual during a period in which the awardee is acquiring training in:

(a) Basic and/or clinical biomedical or behavioral research relating to human health, including extending healthy life and reducing the burdens of illness, or

(b) Medical library science or related fields pertaining to sciences related to health or the communication of health sciences information.

Traineeships are intended to make available in the United States an increased number of persons having special competence in these research fields through developmental training and practical research experience in the facilities of NIH, with supplemental training at other qualified institutions (see § 63.8(a)).

**§ 63.4 What are the minimum qualifications for awards?**

Minimum qualifications for any traineeship shall be established by the Director and shall be uniformly applicable to all applicants in each traineeship program. These minimum qualifications may include requirements as to citizenship, medical standards, academic degrees, professional or other training or experience, and other factors as may be necessary to the fulfillment of the purpose of the traineeship. The Director may, as a matter of general policy or, in individual cases, waive compliance with any minimum qualification so established to the extent that the applicant or applicants have substantially equivalent qualifications or have such special training, experience or opportunity for service as to make an award