The fellowship should ultimately enhance an applicant’s potential for, and commitment to, an independent, productive scientific research career in a health-related field.

**Scored Review Criteria**
- Applicant
- Sponsors and Collaborators
- Research Training Plan
- Training Potential
- Institutional Environment and Commitment

**Additional Review Criteria** (Impact Score)
- Human Subjects/Inclusion
- Vertebrate Animals
- Biohazards
- Resubmission
- Renewal (in rare cases)

**Additional Review Considerations**
- Training in the Responsible Conduct of Research
- Foreign Organizations
- Select Agents
- Resource Sharing Plans
- Budget & Period of Support

**Who Do I Talk To?**

**Before Review:**
- Administrative questions: Scientific Review Officer
- Funding/Relevance questions: Program Officer
- Institute support of fellowships: Check website / Ask PO
- Study section assignment questions: Contact IRG Chief

**After Review:** Program Officer

**How to Identify Study Sections**
- Fellowship Study Section Descriptions
- NIH Reporter
- Use the Assignment Request Form - for both Study Section and Institute requests

www.csr.nih.gov
Elements of a Strong Application

**Critical Elements**
- Development and expansion of skill set
- Critical role of Sponsor / Co-sponsor
- Targeted, individualized training plan
- Sufficient, clear training potential

**CSR Fellowship Review**

**Grant Types**
- F30 Dual-degree fellowship for Institutions with NIH Institutional Training (T32) grants
- F30 Dual-degree fellowship for NIH Institutional Training grants
- F31 To promote diversity - Predoctoral Fellowship (underrepresented applicants can use the award to pursue a Dual-degree)
- F31 (Parent) Predoctoral Fellowship
- F32 Postdoctoral Fellowship
- F33 Senior Fellowship

**NIH Fellowship Resources**

**NIH Fellowship Funding Opportunity Announcement**
https://researchtraining.nih.gov/programs/fellowships

**NIH Review Guidelines**
https://grants.nih.gov/grants/policy/review_templates.htm

**Fellowship Application Deadlines**
- April 8
- August 8
- December 8

**AIDS & AIDS Related Fellowship Deadlines**
- May 7
- September 7
- January 7