

## How to choose the correct submission method in ERA

- **S2S via Grants.gov using the SF424 module:** The RA will be using an FOA (Funding Opportunity Announcement) from Grants.gov **and** the SF424 module in ERA to submit directly from ERA to the sponsor (i.e. system-to-system, S2S).
- **Non S2S using a FOA from the Grants.gov website:** The RA will be using an FOA (Funding Opportunity Announcement) from Grants.gov **but** will submit outside of ERA using the Grants.gov adobe application packet or a sponsor specific portal.
- **Other:** The sponsor has not posted their FOA (Funding Opportunity Announcement) to Grants.gov **and** the proposal will not be submitted via S2S or grants.gov.

Submission Type in ERA	Key points to identify the correct submission method.	How will it be submitted?	What sponsors could be submitted this way?	Additional information
S2S via Grants.gov using the SF424 module	Using an FOA from Grants.gov <b>and</b> the SF424 module in ERA.	Directly from ERA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Any federal sponsor and opportunity for which ERA fully supports the SF424. And</li> <li>• The FOA <b>and</b> the application package must be posted on Grants.gov.</li> </ul>	NSF and NIH SF424 are fully mapped. If the sponsor is not NSF or NIH the RA may need to manually fill out select portions of the SF424 in ERA.
Non S2S using a FOA from the Grants.gov website	Using an FOA from Grants.gov <b>but</b> will submit outside of ERA using the Grants.gov adobe application packet or a sponsor specific portal.	Using the Grants.gov adobe application package or sponsor specific portal (Fastlane, NSPIRES, etc.).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Any federal sponsor for which ERA does not fully support the SF424</li> <li>Or</li> <li>• PI/unit prefers to have an adobe application package submitted via grants.gov or using the sponsor-specific portal.</li> </ul>	The RA will need to complete the application in the sponsor portal or the adobe application packet and upload it to ERA under the attachments documents for ORSPA to review and submit.
Other	The sponsor has not posted their FOA to Grants.gov and the proposal will not be submitted via S2S or grants.gov.	Email, Fax, Hard Copy, or sponsor specific portal	Federal flow through proposals (i.e. subcontract proposals), foundations or industry sponsors.	The RA would need to assemble a Sponsor Bundle (SB) using the activity Bundle Sponsor PDFs (non S2S)

### Examples of when an RA would choose the S2S via Grant.gov using the SF424 module:

- *Our NSF FOA is available on Grants.gov and we will submit using the 424 module within ERA*
- *Our USAID FOA and application package is available on Grants.gov and ERA fully supports the application.*

### Examples of when an RA would choose the Non S2S using a FOA from the Grants.gov website:

- *Our direct sponsor is NIH and the FOA is available on Grants.gov but must be submitted through ASSIST.*
- *Our direct sponsor is NASA and the PI would like to submit via NSPIRES.*
- *A collaborative proposal that will be submitted to NSF.*

### Examples of when an RA would choose the 'Other' submission method:

- *Our direct sponsor is Eastern Michigan University and our prime is National Science Foundation.*
- *Our sponsor is Honeywell and there is no FOA.*

#### **NOTE:**

**FOA = FA**