

Notes for referees

Applicants are responsible for sending this document, a copy of their research proposal and information about this program to a referee who agrees to provide a supporting letter for the application.

The objective of the Visit to the National Institutes of Health in the USA by a junior scientist is to support one early-career Australian researcher to work in the USA at an institute of the National Institutes of Health (NIH) each year. In addition to gaining valuable experience for themselves, the researchers are expected to contribute to the research program of the institute they are visiting.

Proposals will be assessed on the:

- scientific merit of the research (including the value of the collaboration).
- demonstrated achievements of the applicant in the context of their career to date.

Referees are asked to address the following points in their report:

- Is your field of research the same as the applicant's?
- Discuss your view of the scientific merit of the proposal.
- Describe the appropriateness of the work being conducted with collaborators in the United States, and the value of the expected outcome of the research project to the applicant and the institute they are visiting.
- Describe the demonstrated achievements of the applicant in their career to date.

The signed referee report should be on an institution letterhead and sent electronically to the applicant for inclusion in the grant application prior to the application deadline of **9am (AEST) Monday 31 January 2023**.