

Librarian Support for Public Access Compliance: Challenges and Opportunities

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US Government Mandates

The Laws and Orders Upholding Public Access Include:

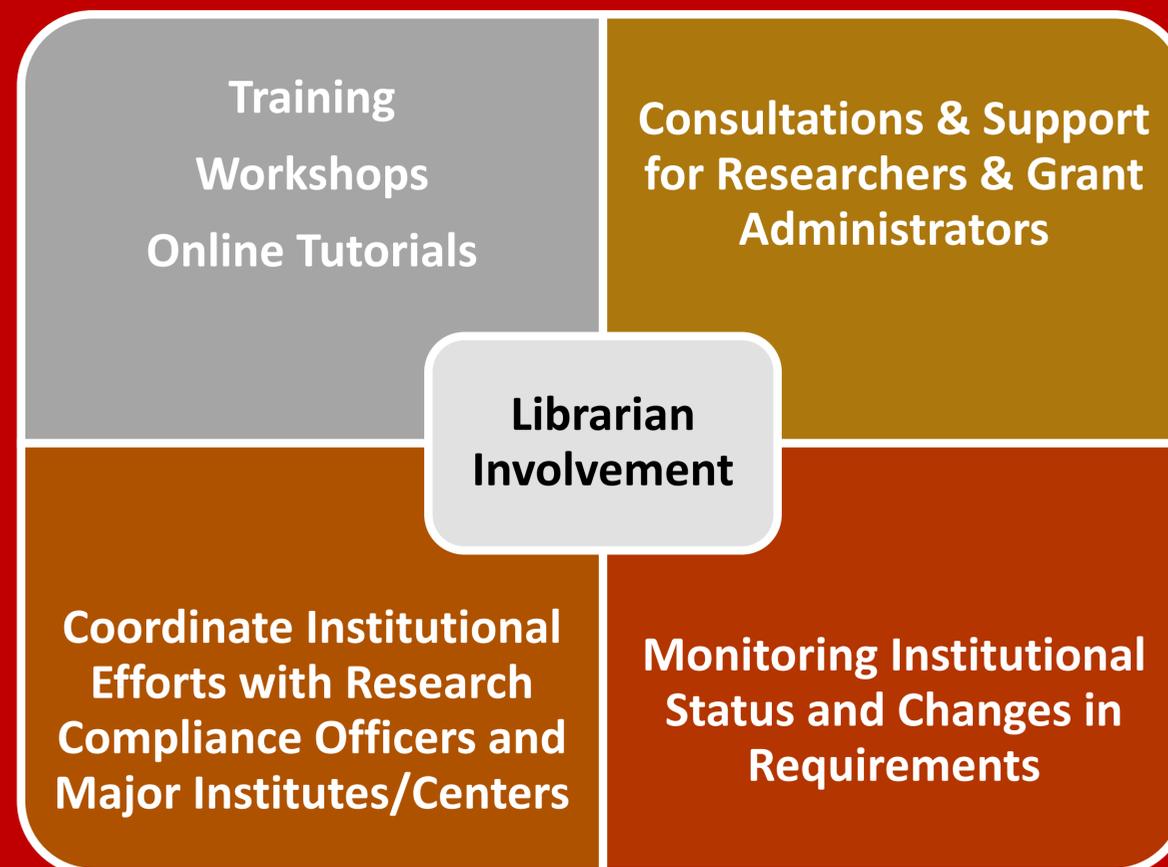
- The NIH Public Access Policy implements Division F Section 217 of PL 111-8 (Omnibus Appropriations Act, 2009)
- Feb. 22, 2013 Memo from the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP): "Increasing Access to the Results of Federally Funded Scientific Research."
- S. 779/H.R. 1477, the Fair Access to Science and Technology Research (FASTR) Act of 2015; while not yet passed, was in part included in the 2014 Omnibus Appropriations Act.

Developing Mandates:



<http://www.osti.gov/pages>
<http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2015/nsf15052/nsf15052.pdf>

Public Access is the federal mandate that recipients of public or government research funding make the results of their research (publications & data) available in online, free-access repositories.



Challenges Include:

- Getting timely & effective responses from journal publishers
- Lost or unavailable final peer-reviewed manuscripts
- Corresponding author out of reach when PI needs article submitted for grant renewal
- Online system errors (bugs)
- Inaccurate listings in the NIH's Public Access Compliance Monitor
- Researcher frustration - extra work and lack of understanding
- Managing large infrastructure grants
- Confusion between Open Access & Public Access

The National Institutes of Health (NIH) Has Led Public Access Compliance Since 2008

All peer-reviewed publications based on NIH funding must be deposited into PubMed Central (PMC) within 12 months of publication or you may lose your NIH funding.



Stony Brook University NIH Compliance Status

The Stony Brook Health Science Library regularly monitors the University's NIH Compliance Status through the NIH Public Access Compliance Monitor.

As of October 1, 2015, we are

- 90% compliant
- 238 Non-Compliant Papers
- 6 In-Process Papers

Need Help With Your Paper?

See the Library Guide:

<http://guides.library.stonybrook.edu/nihpap>

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