



## **Guidelines on Conflict of Interest (COI) assessment for reviewers**

You must decline an invitation to review a grant application if:

- 1) You are named on the application in a scientific role (e.g., investigator, collaborator, mentor) or have provided a letter of collaboration/support/reference;
- 2) You are from the same institution as the PI or co-investigators on the application;
- 3) You have an ongoing or recently completed (within the past 3 years) collaboration with the PI or a co-investigator on the application;
- 4) You would benefit financially if the application were funded.

If you are concerned about a possible COI, for example a situation that could give the appearance of a COI, please communicate this when you respond to the email inviting you to review a grant application.