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Dear Deans, Department Chairs and Directors,

Please share this announcement as appropriate.

The National Institutes of Health has recently announced the NIH Science Education Partnership Award (SEPA)(R25), a limited competition award (see the description at https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-17-339.html) with a deadline date of November 20, 2017. The University may put forward a single application for this award.

If you are interested in submitting an application for this award, please upload your Letter of Interest (LOI) as a single document file into UVM’s InfoReady Portal for Institutional Competitions (https://uvm.infoready4.com/). The LOI should be no more than 3 pages (excluding any references) and include a brief description of the proposed research education program, how it aligns with the Next Generation Science Standards referenced in the solicitation and also include who the proposed program faculty and intended participants are. LOIs will be evaluated on the following criteria: 1) Alignment with the NIH program goals 2) Significance of the project to address an important aspect or need in research education; 3) Strength of the proposed program faculty; 4) Innovation and; 5) Feasibility. The deadline for submitting LOIs through the InfoReady Portal is October 9, 2017 before 4:30 pm after which the Portal will automatically close.

If the number of interested applicants exceeds the number allotted by the sponsor, selection of the candidate to move forward shall be made shortly thereafter.

Please direct questions concerning this announcement to Hilda Alajajian.

Sincerely,

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