

Sample Information for NIH Multiple PI Leadership Plan (assuming the PIs are at different institutions):

Opening:

Identify the PIs and the role of each and how they will work together on the project, including which one will be the corresponding PI and (if applicable) any proposed change in the designated corresponding PI during the project.

For the publication section:

Publication decisions will be made jointly by the PIs, consistent with their respective institutional and NIH policies.

For the IP section:

The respective research administration offices of the institutions will be responsible for preparing and negotiating an agreement for the conduct of the research and disposition of any resulting intellectual property. The institutions will enter into an Interinstitutional Agreement related to jointly developed intellectual property, consistent with their respective institutional policies and NIH policy.

Fiscal Responsibility

Each PI will be responsible for management of funds for his or her portion of the project, consistent with institutional and NIH policy. Any significant changes in distribution of funds between the institutions will be decided jointly by the PIs and their respective institutions.

For the Conflict Resolution section:

If a potential conflict develops, the PIs shall meet and attempt to resolve the dispute. If the PIs are unable to resolve the dispute, the appropriate administrative officials of the institutions will meet to come to a mutually satisfactory resolution.

For the Change in PI location:

If a PI moves to a new institution that is eligible to receive NIH funding, attempts will be made to transfer the relevant portion of the grant to the new institution. In the event that a PI cannot carry out his/her duties or if the PI moves to an institution that is not eligible to receive NIH funding, the participating institutions will work with the remaining PI in an attempt to identify an individual to assume those duties.