

Getting the Most Out of Your HRA Membership

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Maximizing the Impact of Research to Improve Human Health

HRA's Core Values



- **Impact:** We enable individual organizations and the research community collectively to enhance the effectiveness of biomedical research.
- **Collaborate:** We communicate; share information, experiences, and best practices; and work together to achieve our shared goals.
- **Innovate:** We identify, aggregate, and share valuable resources or foster innovative approaches, when needed, to address challenges in biomedical research.



Check out [HRA's Strategic Plan](#) for more information!

Who is HRA?

Christine Riordan, PhD
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HRA's members are **100+** nonprofit, nongovernmental funders of biomedical and health research

**Private
Foundations**

**Public
Charities**

**Professional
Societies**



Check out HRA's [Member Profiles](#) (public) or the [Organizational Directory](#) (members-only access) page for more info about HRA member organizations!

HRA Activities and Events



**Learning
Communities**

**Members
Meetings**

**Professional
Development**

Learning Communities

- Interest-based groups meet virtually throughout the year
- Co-chaired by members of the HRA community, and open to all HRA members
- Open discussions, presentations from external experts and HRA members, working sessions, and more

[Artificial
Intelligence](#)

[Diversity, Equity
& Inclusion](#)

[Grants
Administration](#)

[Misconduct &
Ethics](#)

[Open Science](#)

[Program
Evaluation](#)

[Registry &
Biorepository](#)

[Research
Workforce](#)

[Therapeutic
Development](#)



Read more about
[HRA's Learning
Communities](#)

Members Meetings

- Twice annual meetings (one hybrid and one virtual)
- Provide opportunities to learn about relevant topics from other HRA members and external speakers
- Create connections across the HRA community – a great networking opportunity!



Read more about
future and past
[HRA Members
Meetings](#)



Save the date: The [Fall 2024 HRA
Members Meeting](#) is October 1-2!

Professional Development



Read more about
HRA's [Professional
Development
Program](#)

- Skill development and networking opportunities available throughout the year
- Workshops led by expert facilitators (virtual sessions, and in-person at the Members Meeting)
- [Peer Circles](#): Small groups of HRA members in similar career roles meet to discuss professional challenges and interests



Sign up to join a Peer Circle before
October 4!

**Community-
Created
Resources**

Listserv

Platforms

**Bias
Mitigation
Training**

Community- Created Resources

- Archive of community call recordings, slide decks, and call materials
- Surveys and data analyses (e.g., [Grants Management System survey](#), [DEI survey](#))
- Educational materials like the [Grants Administration Handbook](#) and policy/agreement language examples (e.g., [grant agreement language](#), [Open Science policies](#))



Browse [HRA's online resources](#)



Listserv



Read more about
[HRA's listservs](#)

- Email listservs allow HRA members to share and request information from the HRA community
- Three listserv channels:
 - **Info**: Only HRA members can subscribe and post; for sharing information about events, and asking questions
 - **Jobs**: Only HRA members can post, anyone can subscribe; for posting open positions at HRA member organizations ([Click to subscribe to Jobs](#))
 - **RFA/RFP**: Only HRA members can post, anyone can subscribe; for posting open funding calls ([Click to subscribe to RFA/RFP](#))

Platforms



Read more about
[HRA's Platforms](#)

HRA Analyzer

- Database of grants made by HRA member organizations
- Powered by Dimensions
- Available data: Grant title, ID, abstract, \$ amount, year(s), funder, awardee(s), research categories

HRA Open

- Promotes open access to science by allowing awardees to:
 - Link publications and other research outputs to their grants
 - Deposit publications in PubMed Central (open access) through the NIH Manuscript Submission System

Bias Mitigation Training

Training module that covers:

- **Basics of Bias:** Definition of bias, including types of bias and different manifestations of bias
- **Bias in Peer Review:** How bias can impact the peer review process
- **Strategies for Mitigating Bias:** Literature-informed, actionable, practical strategies that can mitigate bias during the peer review process

Multiple versions are available!

Asynchronous

Facilitator Toolkit

Program Staff



Reviewers



Check out HRA's [Bias Mitigation in Peer Review Training Resources](#)

Questions?



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