

Apply for a Grant

To start a new application and upload attachments, you must use our SmartSimple [application portal to apply online](#).

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How to Apply

1. You will need to register your organization. Upon doing so, a system-defined password will be emailed to you, along with a link to the BrightFocus' SmartSimple application portal (<http://brightfocus.smartsimple.us>).
2. Next, you will need to change the system-defined password to one of your own choosing.
3. Once you create and submit the new password, you will be taken to the [application portal](#) where you will be given step-by-step instructions on how to proceed with the application process.
Note: If you have issues accessing or navigating BrightFocus' SmartSimple application portal using Microsoft Internet Explorer, then switch to another web browser, such as Mozilla Firefox or Google Chrome.
4. Attachments are required and must be submitted through the [application portal](#). The final page of the attachment templates should be signed and returned to BrightFocus as specified in the instructions.

In addition, use the table below to make sure that you are using forms appropriate to the current fiscal year.

(On mobile devices, swipe left to see all of the table columns.)

Fiscal Year	Proposal Deadline Calendar Year	Funded Award Start Date
FY10	2009	April 1, 2010
FY11	2010	July 1, 2011

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FY15	2014	July 1, 2015
FY16	2015	July 1, 2016
FY17	2016	July 1, 2017
FY18	2017	July 1, 2018
FY19	2018	July 1, 2019
FY20	2019	July 1, 2020

Post-submission Edits and Corrections

You should save your proposal in DRAFT status until you have made all necessary edits and corrections. Once you SUBMIT, the proposal may no longer be changed. BrightFocus does not accept supplementary data following submission. The only edits allowable following submission are changes to administrative information, such as email addresses and telephone numbers.

Progress Reports

Submission of progress reports related to current award should be made to <http://brightfocus.smartsimple.us>. For more information on progress report submission, please refer to our current awardees section.

Contact Information

If you have any questions or difficulties, please contact a representative of the Research Grants office by telephone at 800-437-2423 or email researchgrants@brightfocus.org.

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