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Instructions to Obtain or Recover NSF ID

Due to a change NSF implemented in Fastlane, Pre-Award no longer has access to assign or look up user IDs, for PIs and Co-PIs on NSF proposals. This is problematic as each PI/Co-PI must have a functioning NSF ID to enable pre-award to submit the proposal.

Below are instructions to access or apply for a NSF ID. **Choose the option PI for the role.** The password given to first time users will need to be reset to activate the account.

Helpful Links

- Users with existing NSF accounts can access the [NSF ID Lookup page](#) for their NSF ID. Forgotten passwords for established NSF accounts may be retrieved [here](#).
- New users are able to register directly with NSF through Research.gov via this link: <https://www.research.gov/accountmgmt/#/registration>.

Contact the NSF's help desk directly at **1-800-381-1532** for questions/assistance regarding your NSF ID.