



NIH Public Access Policy: A Learning Opportunity

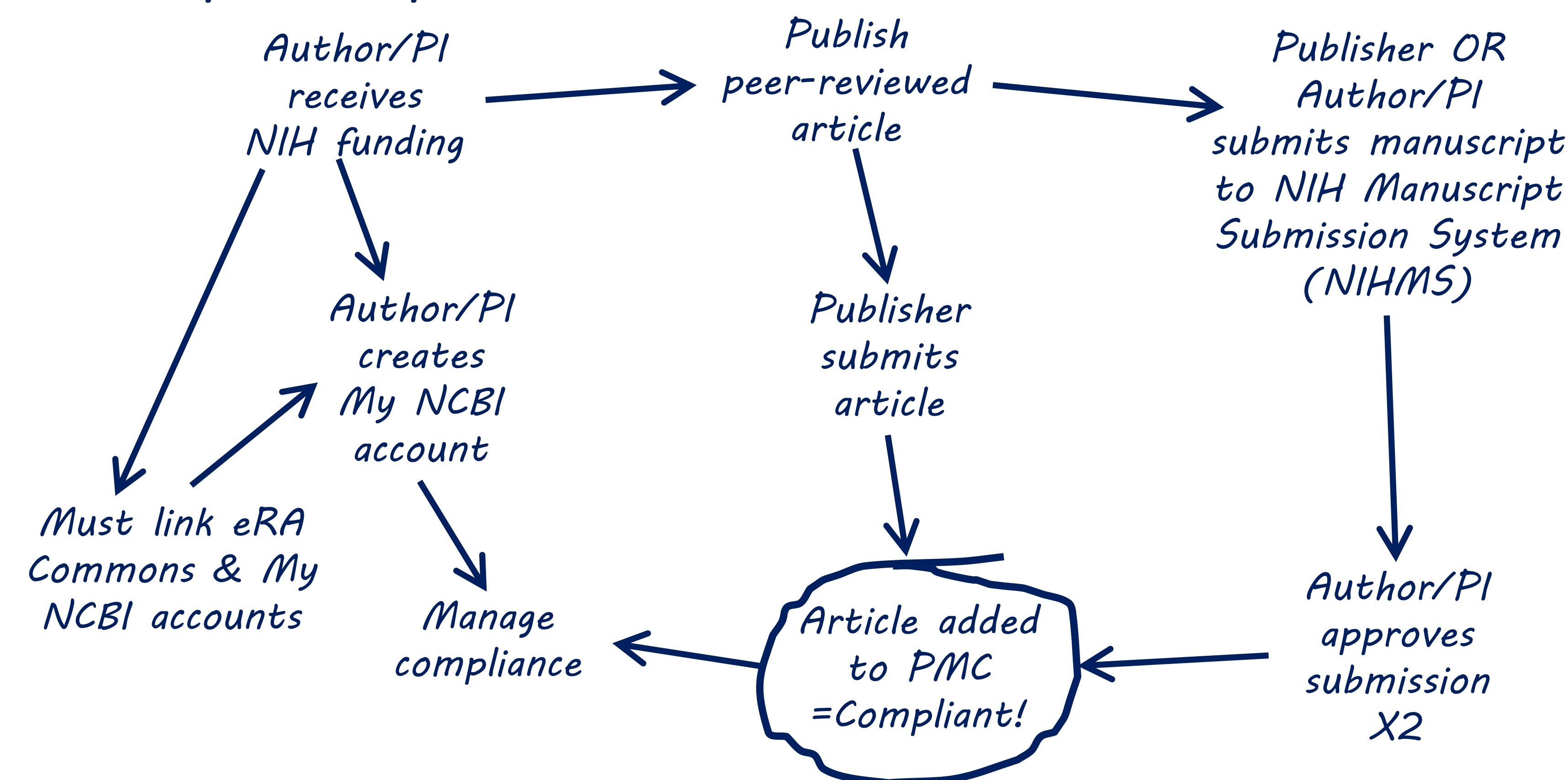
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The Problem

In Late 2012 NIH Public Access Policy Notice:

Starting July 1st, 2013 non-competing renewal that is NOT compliant = funding delay!

Compliance process:



What happened in-between?

2008 —————> 2013
Policy created —————> New penalty for non-compliance

Few PI's maintained compliance!

- Some articles in PMC - mostly publisher submitted
- Most articles NOT in PMC - author/PI didn't submit or submission stuck in NIHMS

= A confusing MESS!

The Setting

NIH Grant Support @ Duke

- #13 for total \$
- #17 total awards

Potential compliance managers:

Duke Office of Clinical Research (DOCR)

Office of Research Support (ORS)

Best for job!

Medical Center Library & Archives

- + Experience w/ eRA Commons/ NIH grants
- No experience w/ NCBI databases and systems
- No time/personnel available
- Not as familiar w/ Policy

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- No experience w/ eRA Commons/NIH grants
- + Time/personnel available
- + Prior experience w/ Policy and training

Challenges

For researchers & their staff:

- Learning the process and systems
- Log-in issues
- Finding final peer-reviewed manuscript files
- Remembering 2 NIHMS approvals
- Determining if an article fell under the Policy
- Understanding how My Bibliography fits in

For library team:

- Learning the process and systems
- Having limited access to systems
- Sorting GIANT PACM report
- Dealing with bad/confusing data - deceased PIs, wrong grant #s, multi-PIs, etc.
- Finding contact info for PI's authors
- Notifying PIs/authors and getting their attention
- Tracking internal processes

Takeaways

- ↑Library visibility
- Library skills = good fit for the job
- Stronger relationships between researchers, staff, research offices and the library
- Library support viewed positively
- Time commitment - initially very high, more manageable now
- Communication important
- Research staff often key to progress

Solutions

- Create educational materials - diagrams, websites, presentations, etc.
- Offer in-person consultations
- Offer workshops in a variety of settings
- Email PIs/authors detailed, individualized information tailored to their compliance needs
- Communicate with NIH, NCBI, and others about problems we encounter
- Broadcast via newsletters and listservs important news and information
- Develop database connecting PACM data with internal Duke data