

## TIME-LINE FOR FIRST ROUND OF CENTERS OF RESEARCH EXCELLENCE (CORE) FUNDING

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August 10, 2011: Application form forwarded to colleges and universities.

August 10, 2011 – January 3, 2012: Colleges and universities utilize their own process to determine which three proposals are submitted for consideration by the Centers of Excellence Commission. Each proposal must contain the college or university president's signature.

December 2, 2011: According to State Board of Higher Education policy, colleges and universities are required to submit a brief synopsis to the Chancellor of any applications they plan to submit.

January 3, 2012: Deadline for submission of proposals to be considered.

January 3 – 20, 2012: Commerce staff conducts completeness and compliance review of the applications. Applications found to be incomplete or in noncompliance with statute and/or Commission policy will be disqualified.

January 3 – 27, 2012: Commerce staff conducts due diligence on the applications including visiting with applicants and private sector partners when appropriate.

January 20, 2012: Proposals found to be complete and in compliance are forwarded to Commission for review.

January 27, 2012: Due diligence report from the Department of Commerce forwarded to Commission for review.

February 1 – 3, 2012: Commission conference call meeting to determine if any independent, expert reviews or additional due diligence is needed.

February 8, 2012: Presentations from applicants on Centers of Research Excellence proposals before the Centers of Excellence Commission.

February 13 - 17, 2012: Centers of Excellence Commission meeting to act on applications.

February, 2012: Centers of Research Excellence funds could be made available to the universities.

March 1, 2012: Application for second round of Centers of Research Excellence funding (if necessary) forwarded to research universities.

July 5, 2012: Deadline for submission of proposals for second round of Centers of Research Excellence funding (if necessary.)