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## **PROPOSAL REVIEW**

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**18. In addition to the two NSF merit review criteria (intellectual merit and broader impacts), what other factors will be considered in the review process?**

Additional solicitation specific review criteria will include demonstration of:

- a. Command of the currently-deployed I-Corps curriculum;
- b. Support from institution leadership;
- c. Coordination of innovation research, education, and commercial development programs across the network;
- d. An appropriate mixture of geographically distributed personnel and institutions that provide diverse and complementary capabilities to support current and anticipated needs for fostering innovation across a broad spectrum of science and engineering domains;
- e. An effective management structure to ensure close linkage and cooperation among the nodes such as they operate as a cohesive national network;
- f. Seamless methods of network operation that support projects across the network, through development and utilization of compatible internet-based networking/collaboration tools;
- g. Ability and success in the dissemination of shared knowledge to research and development communities;
- h. The promotion of diversity among students, faculty, staff, management, and outreach activities;
- i. Methods for assessment and metrics of node/network performance and impact;
- j. Planning processes to accommodate emerging areas and future growth of external/internal node participants, (e.g., adding/removing participants to/from the network);
- k. Sustainability plan by fostering additional support from non-NSF sources, including Federal agencies, State governments, and the private sector;
- l. Coordination with I-Corps Sites and other partners in the geographical region.

## **ANNOUNCEMENT**

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**19. Will there be a response to the LOI?**

No, there will be no official response from NSF regarding the LOI.