

**NIH IDeA WORKSHOP**  
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**Thoughts for FY01 IDeA Program**

**Another COBRE?**

Advantages:

- Helps states not successful in FY00
- Helps fortunate award recipients

Disadvantages:

- Each round of COBRE obligates 5 years of funding
- Questionable impact on state infrastructure development
- Quality control of each successive COBRE round
- Promotes inter-state competition rather than cooperation

**Infrastructure Development - NSF Model**

One Proposal Per State Coordinated by State EPSCoR Committees

- Flexible focus to meet each state's needs
- Can include core facilities, equipment, personnel
- Should be no matching funds requirement
- Should be no direct support for specific research projects
- Strategic planning only if necessary - not an NIH mandate
- Promotes inter-institutional cooperation and planning

Include peer Review by NIH but Sufficient Allocation to Fund All States

- Promotes Inter-State Cooperation Rather than Competition
- Provides NIH guidance for state program development

**NIH CoFunding Program** - Phase in gradually

**Outreach Activities**

- IDeA state conferences on priority research themes
- Visits by institute program officers to IDeA states

**Construction Allocation for IDeA states** (not under IDeA Program)