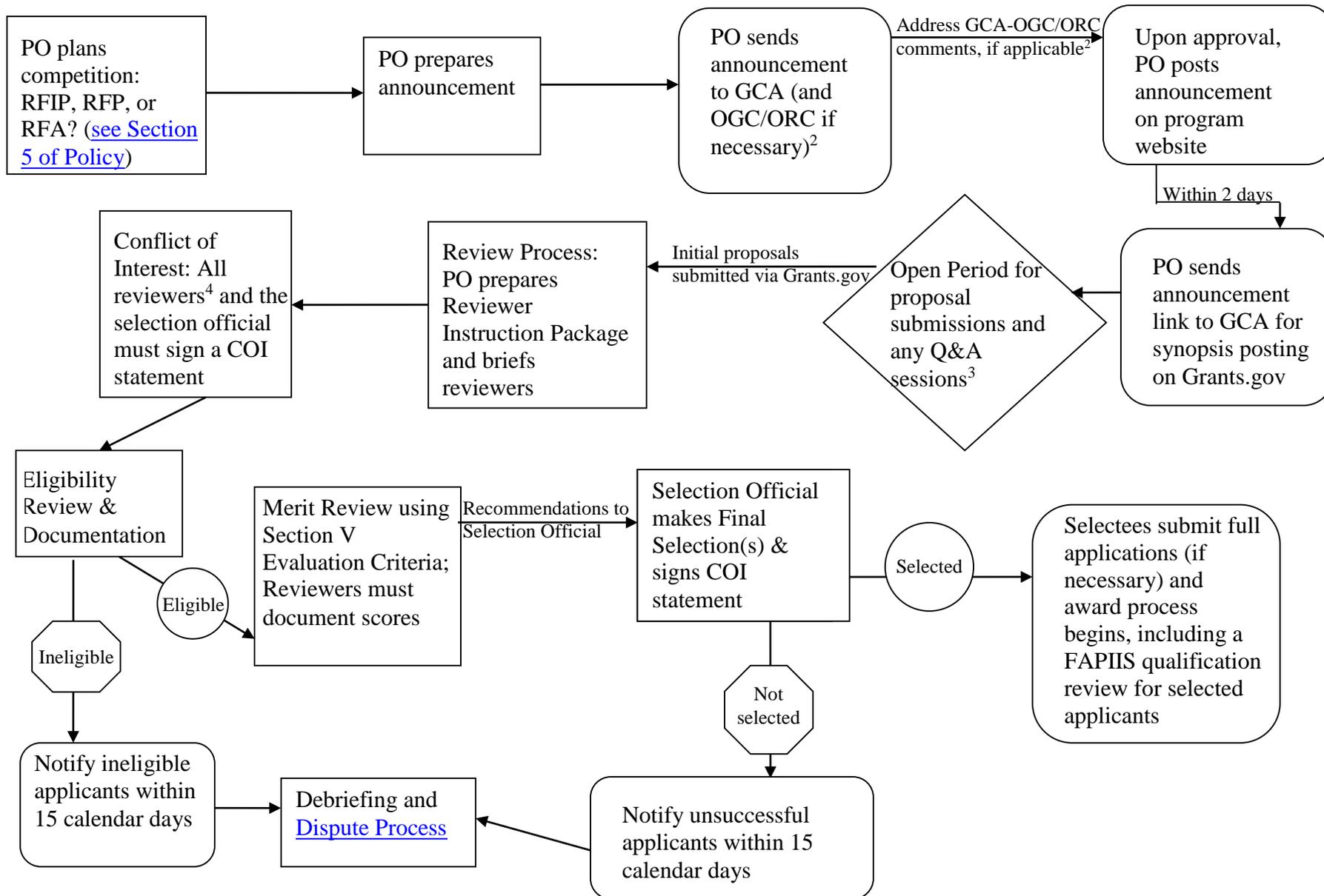


# Competition Process Flow Chart<sup>1</sup>

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1 This flowchart applies to a typical open competition. Simplified competitions, while generally following the same process, have different posting requirements (e.g. 30 day open period and not synopsisized on Grants.gov).

2 When the estimated total amount of funding expected to be available for awards under an announcement is \$1,500,000 or more, the announcement must be reviewed and concurred on by the GCA and OGC/ORC before it can be issued or posted. GCA and OGC/ORC may also review announcements under this threshold depending on need, quality, and complexity of competition.

3 Generally, announcements for open competitions must be open for 45 days.

4 This includes reviewers doing threshold eligibility reviews and those doing the technical evaluation review.