## **Sponsored Research - News, Updates, Reminders**

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The Sponsored Research - News, Updates & Reminders is a monthly e-newsletter published by the Offices of Sponsored Programs (OSP) and Grants Management (OGM). Subscribe through this link to receive monthly information that impacts pre and post-award administration. Do not miss out on receiving up to date announcements, Sponsor updates, training opportunities and much more!



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### **New Prior Approval Capability Joins Suite of Options in eRA Commons**

A new type of prior approval is available to NIH recipients in eRA Commons as of October 12, joining a menu of other prior approval requests. Recipients of NIH awards are now required to use the 'Other Request' type in Prior Approval to submit any changes to their approved Data Management and Sharing Plan (DMS Plans) to NIH officials. (see NIH Guide Notice NOT-OD-23-185 and eRA news item). To learn more, visit NIH Extramural Nexus page.

# NIH Final Updated Policy Guidance for Subaward/Consortium Written Agreements - Reminder

NIH released a final guide notice NOT-OD-23-182 on September 15, 2023 clarifying NIH's long-standing policy on foreign subaward and consortium written agreements. This notice modifies the requirements of the original notice NOT-OD-23-133 to state that "subaward agreements must stipulate that foreign subrecipients will provide access to copies of all lab notebooks, all data, and all documentation that supports the research outcomes as described in the progress report, to the primary recipient with a frequency of no less than once per year, in alignment with the timing requirements for Research Performance Progress Report submission." NIH also clarifies that by "access to," it is understood that such access may be entirely electronic. Effective January 2, 2024, section 15.2 of the NIH Grants Policy updated to include these clarifications. Grant recipients will need to be in compliance with this updated policy guidance by March 2, 2024. The Office of Extramural Research subaward webpage and their FAQs include language that can be included in subaward agreements, and other resources to help the research community comply with this policy guidance. For any questions, please contact your OSP Grants Contract Specialist or your OSP Outgoing Subawards Specialist.

## **NSF Updates & Reminders**



The mandate to use SciENcv only for preparation of the biographical sketch and current and pending (other) support will go into effect for new proposals submitted or due on or after October 23, 2023.

Refer to <u>Proposal & Award Policies & Procedures Guide Chapters II.D.2.h.(i).</u> and <u>II.D.2.h.(ii)</u>. as well as the NSF <u>biographical sketch</u> and <u>current and pending (other) support</u> pages for more information.

Please be aware that biographical sketch and current and pending (other) support format is validated for Grants.gov proposals at proposal submission to NSF rather than at document upload as in Research.gov. Grants.gov proposals which include the NSF fillable PDF format will not pass the submission validations after Friday, October 20, 2023 (5:00 PM submitter's local time). For more information about NSF proposal submissions via Grants.gov, please visit the <u>Grants.gov Proposal Processing in Research.gov</u> informational page.

The Office of Sponsored Programs has updated the <u>Sponsor Info</u> page on our website to include guidance regarding SciENcv and more.

# myResearch Updates and Reminders

## **General myResearch Reminders**

- If you will be engaging in a clinical trial or a testing/lab study, please make sure to log into the myResearch Agreement module and create the agreement log. The system will walk you through questions on the smart forms that are specific to your project. Once the smart forms are completed, click on submit and your Contract team member will be in touch. As a reminder, all agreements that flow through The Research Foundation and are supported by the Office of Sponsored Programs (OSP) can be initiated either by OSP or by the PI/their research administrative staff. For questions regarding agreements, reach out to osp\_contracts@stonybrook.edu.
- Off Campus Determination: The Off Campus rate applies when all or greater than 50% of project personnel effort will take place at an off-campus location over the full period of performance or for longer than 50% of the award period. Note that convenience, telecommuting, conferences, and incidental travel do not qualify for the off-campus determination. The Facilities and Administrative/Indirect Cost (F&A/IDC) Off-Campus Rate Request Form must be completed for all off campus rate requests and must be uploaded to the General Proposal Information page, Field 9.0. Select 100% off campus in question, Where will the majority of the project activities take place?, and Yes to the question, DHHS F&A Rate applies?. myResearch will prompt you to upload the completed/signed request form.

## **OSP News, Announcements and Reminders**

### **OSP Post Award Corner**

#### Helpful award management tip from the OSP Post Award Team

Per the April 20, 2021 NIH notification, all Senior/Key Personnel and those Individuals needing scientific roles (ie Program Directors, Principal Investigators, Scientist, Post-Doc, Graduate Students, Undergraduate Students, Project Personnel) on an NIH funded project, require an eRA Commons ID. Therefore, it is recommended that as soon as these individuals are hired to participate on the project, they should obtain an eRA Commons ID if they do not already have one. If the personnel does not have an eRA Commons ID, they should request one by completing the smart form at the following link on our website.

Please note, eRA Commons IDs are a required entry when listing all participants on a project in the reporting period on the annual or final progress report (RPPR). Obtaining the Commons ID at hire rather than during RPPR preparation will prevent any issues at the RPPR review that might delay submission. This is particularly important in the event the personnel leaves the institution prior to the RPPR due date.

If you have any questions on the above or any other questions regarding administration of your grant award, please reach out to osp\_postawards@stonybrook.edu.

### Adding a Subaward to an Existing Project

When adding a new subaward to a proposal that has already been awarded, an Award Modification Request (AMR) must first be prepared and submitted via the MyResearch Grants module. To prepare the AMR, the PI/administrator will select "budget revision" as the request type and upload the following:

- Subaward Scope of Work (SOW) with a clear description of the work to be performed
- Subaward budget worksheet
- Subaward budget justification (effort should be listed in # and type of months)
- Subaward facilities & mp; resources description
- Subaward equipment description
- Completed and signed subrecipient commitment form
- Subaward's current, approved, rate agreement
- Any additional documents required by the sponsor

The PI/administrator should submit the AMR by clicking the "Submit to Specialist" button. Once OSP reviews and approves, the request will be submitted to the sponsor. Depending on the sponsor, a request may need to be prepared in the sponsor portal by the PI and forwarded to the OSP office for review and submission. The AMR remains open until a final determination is received.

Once the sponsor issues their approval, the AMR will be approved internally and the award record will be updated accordingly; including any budget revisions needed to accommodate the new subaward costs. Once the subaward task is updated, the PI will send a purchase requisition to <a href="mailto:osp\_contracts@stonybrook.edu">osp\_contracts@stonybrook.edu</a> along with all of the subaward documentation. The contracts team will then establish and finalize the agreement with the new subaward recipient.

#### **Change in Subaward recipient**

In the event of a change in subawardee during the project period, the PI must first determine if there will be any resulting changes in scope, personnel or subaward budget, due to the proposed change. Guidance can be provided by OSP in the event the subaward has a change in PI within the original subrecipient's institution, or if the PI has moved to another institution and they and the PI wish for them to remain active on the project. Please note, IDC will be taken against the first \$25K of the new subaward even if full or partial IDC was accounted for with the previous subawardee.

The PI/administrator should work with the sponsor award analyst (SAA) in OGM to determine if the outgoing subawardee has submitted the final invoice for any work they may have completed on the project. Any remaining funds should be de-obligated from the existing subaward agreement via a RF Purchase Requisition, which should include a termination date and the de-obligation amount, and sent to osp\_contracts@stonybrook.edu. An amendment will then be issued to the outgoing subawardee for their signature. Once that amendment is received and fully executed, it will be forwarded to OGM who, in conjunction with Procurement, will work to release the encumbrances back to the available balance in the subaward task.

A change in subaward recipient will also require an AMR be submitted via MyResearch. The request should include the same documents as listed in the paragraph outlining what is needed for a new subaward, as well as a scientific justification for the proposed change that includes a description of what impact, if any, the change will have on the SOW/specific aims of the project. In addition, if new personnel are to be added, OSP requires a copy of their biosketch and other support documents as they may be required for review by the sponsor. Once submitted and approved by OSP, the process will move forward in the same manner as stated above.

## **OSP Announcements**

The Office of Sponsored Programs bid farewell to **Maria Tapia**, Grants and Contracts Specialist, who left SBU earlier this month to pursue a new career opportunity. We will be forever grateful for Maria's support and excellent work. Even though her time with OSP and SBU was short, we will definitely miss her and wish her the very best.

We are happy to announce that we very recently added a new member to our pre-award grants team. **Marcia Smith** joined OSP on October 23, 2023. She is filling one of the 3 vacancies in the Grants and Contracts Specialists team. Marcia has solid experience and a proven track record of success in managing a wide variety of Federal and International sub-awards/grants, overseeing the entire lifecycle - pre- and post-award, including budget development, annual and final reports. She's also highly familiar with the current policies, procedures, and regulations of federal sponsors. Marcia holds a Masters in Business Administration from St. Leo University, and a Doctorate in Business Administration from Argosy University. We are thrilled to have Marcia part of our team, and she looks forward to interacting with SBU's research community very soon.

## **Job Opportunity in OSP**

Do you want to be part of a fast-paced environment where your work has a direct impact on SBU's research mission? The Office of Sponsored Programs is currently recruiting for a Grants & Contracts Specialist - Pre-Award Team. Anyone interested can find more information on this link <u>2302951 - Grants & Contracts Specialist - Pre-Award Team</u> or the SBU Jobs webpage.

#### **OSP Reminders**

<u>Please contact your Specialist</u> as soon as you identify a grant opportunity for which you want to apply. Advance notice will provide you with detailed attention to your proposal by your OSP Specialist and will ensure that sponsor deadlines are met successfully. <u>View our proposal submission policy.</u>

Below are the main inboxes in use at OSP. Please use these inboxes based on their descriptions. <a href="mailto:osp@stonybrook.edu">osp@stonybrook.edu</a> - This inbox is responsible for all general inquiries, proposal requests, research system access requests, and issues for OSP.

osp contracts@stonybrook.edu - This is the main inbox for the contracts, subaward and clinical trials team. Directing all inquiries, and especially supporting documentation, to this general email box will ensure all matters are logged in and routed to the Contracts/Clinical Trials or Subaward Specialist assigned to assist you.

osp\_postawards@stonybrook.edu - This new inbox must be used for communication on new and existing awards, as well as post award administration functions involving funded sponsored research projects.

<u>ovpr\_myresearchgrants@stonybrook.edu</u> - This is the main inbox for inquiries related to the use, navigation or inquiries related to myResearch Grants module.

# **OGM News, Announcements and Reminders**

#### **News from the Graduate School**

In collaboration with the Office of Grants Management and Procurement, the Grad School Finance team is pleased to announce a new process for tuition recharges, related to returns on training grants. This will streamline processing and allow Departments to receive their returns in a more timely manner.

Please note, this process is NOT applicable for returns from the Tuition on Research Grant (ToRG) program.

Contact the <u>Graduate School Finance team</u> for the step by step process instructions.

#### Research Foundation Bank of America PCard and Travel Card

The campus continues to enroll card holders in the Research Foundation (RF) Bank of America all-in-one card which can be used as a Procurement-Card (P-Card), Travel Card (T-Card), and Non-Employee Travel Card (NET-Card) to alleviate out-of-pocket expenses.

For more information and to apply for an RF Credit Card, Stony Brook employees (both State and RF) can <u>visit the Procurement website</u>.

All transactions that are charged to the Bank Of America PCard/Travel card are reconciled within Concur. Once card holders submit for approval by the Account Director, the workflow routes to OGM for review and approval against the Sponsored Award to ensure that the costs are in keeping with the specific terms and conditions and all related sponsoring agency regulations.

PCards should not be used in the final 90 days of the active Award period. These transactions are not encumbered and may not be charged back to Award funds until 45/60 following expenditure date. For questions, please email <a href="mailto:sbu\_travel\_expense@stonybrook.edu">sbu\_travel\_expense@stonybrook.edu</a>.

#### **OGM** email reminder

The Office of Grants Management maintains several monitored email boxes as outlined below.

ogm ovpr@stonybrook.edu - for incoming documents that require processing, such as a material and services requisitions for recharging, paper travel reimbursements for non-employees and for general inquiries. Please be sure to include all Award/Project information in your email so we can properly direct your inquiry.

<u>sbu\_subrecipient\_invoice@stonybrook.edu</u> - for incoming subaward invoices from partnering institutions that are collaborating with SBU PIs to report expenditures and request payment against active agreements on sponsored awards.

ogm billing@stonybrook.edu - for incoming payment information from those sponsors that pay The RF for SUNY for sponsored and non-sponsored research activity.

## **End of Award Expenditures**

Expenditures in the final 90 days of the active Award period must be necessary for the conduct of grant activities and full use prior to the end of the award. Expenditures during this time period must clearly reflect why the items are needed and represent a quantity that is reasonable for the time that they will be utilized. Items of long term use, such as computers and computer accessories, equipment, and service agreements that exceed the award end date, should not be submitted for consideration.

Bank of America Credit Cards should not be used during the final 90 days of active award periods. These transactions are not encumbered and may not be charged back to Award funds until 45/60 following expenditure date.

Procurement of equipment and supplies may not be purchased simply to use an unobligated balance remaining at the end of the project and these costs are highly scrutinized during audit and are targets for disallowed cost. The <u>annual federal cost audit</u> targets end of award charges to confirm that there is satisfactory evidence that all costs are necessary, reasonable and will be utilized within the award period. The OGM approval process serves to document this review and is critical to our federal cost accounting standard compliance. 2 CFR 200.402-.405.

## Job Opportunity in OGM

Do you want to be part of a fast-paced environment where your work has a direct impact on SBU's research mission? The Office of Grants Management is currently recruiting for a Clinical Trial Sponsored Award Analyst. Anyone interested can find more information on this link <u>Clinical Trials Sponsored Award Analyst</u> Job Number: 2302460 or the <u>SBU Jobs webpage</u>.

## **Electronic Authorized Signatory - ERAS**

ERAS is a campus wide system that allows Account Directors for both State and Research Foundation Projects to assign levels of singing authority as well as the ability to delegate users on their behalf. The delegations are integrated with expenditure business systems including Wolfart, iLab, Concur.

**Account Director** is the PI of the RF Project number, who has the primary authority to commit and spend account funds. The Account Director can delegate authority to Account Assistants and Signatory Delegates.

Below are the levels of delegation that an Account Director can assign users. To add a delegation the users' Solar ID number is needed.

**Account Assistant**\_is appointed by the Account Director and gives the authority to act on behalf of the Account Director to assign Signatory Delegates and additional Account Assistants. Account Assistants do not have the authority to commit or spend account funds unless they are also designated as a Signatory Delegate.

**Signatory Delegate** is appointed by the Account Director or Account Assistant and has the authority to commit and spend account funds on behalf of the Account Director. Signatory Delegates cannot view assigned delegations. Only Account Directors and/or Account Assistants will be able to log-in to view account information.

**iLab user** is an individual appointed by their PI's to assist in the purchasing of items through the iLab system. iLab users do not have the authority to approve orders, but have the ability to request goods and services from the School of Medicine's Core Facilities. iLab users must submit the order to the Approver for final review and completion of the requisition.

**WolfMart Requester** is an individual appointed by their PI to assist in the purchasing of items through the WolfMart system. Requesters do not have the authority to approve orders, but have the ability to search for items and also complete accounting information when creating the requisition. The Requester must submit the requisition to the Account Director or Delegate for final review and completion of the Wolfmart order.

**Traveler** is an individual that is authorized to submit travel requests and expense reports in the campus Concur travel system, using the assigned Project number. Note: If a Traveler is already an Account Director or a Signatory Delegate they do not need to be also listed as a Traveler.

View more information and to log into ERAS

# **Training, Workshops and Other News**

## New FDP website launched at the end of September 2023

On Monday, September 25, 2023, the Federal Demonstration Partnership (FDP) launched its newly modernized website. You may need to update bookmarks or change references to specific URLs on your own websites or forms.

#### Hyperlinks and URLs:

The <u>main website address</u> will remain the same. Most individual webpages, such as committee, subcommittee pages and meeting summaries, will automatically redirect to the main page on launch day. However, please note the following exceptions concerning their most accessed resources:

- Subaward Forms: the URL <a href="https://thefdp.org/default/subaward-forms/">https://thefdp.org/demonstrations-resources/subaward-forms/</a> will redirect to <a href="https://thefdp.org/demonstrations-resources/subaward-templates-and-tools/">https://thefdp.org/demonstrations-resources/subaward-templates-and-tools/</a>.
- Data Transfer and Use Agreements (DTUAs) will have its own, new dedicated webpage.
- FDP Expanded Clearinghouse: there will be <u>no change</u> in the current URL, <u>https://fdpclearinghouse.org/</u>
- Financial Conflict of Interest (FCOI) Clearinghouse: this database will continue to be accessible
  via our current website but with new URLs. All URLs that fall under
  <a href="https://thefdp.org/default/fcoi-clearinghouse/">https://thefdp.org/default/fcoi-clearinghouse/</a> will change to <a href="https://thefdp-archive.org/default/fcoi-clearinghouse/">https://thefdp-archive.org/default/fcoi-clearinghouse/</a>. A subsequent communication will be issued over the
  next week providing more details about this transition and future plans.
- FDP website member login: the Membership Database, containing information on institutional
  and individual profiles, membership in committees, subcommittees, and volunteer
  opportunities, will continue to be accessible via <a href="#FDP's current website but with a new URL">FDP's current website but with a new URL</a>. This
  database will also transition over the course of the year.

## **Grants.gov is Getting a Fresh Look and Improved Features!**

The Grants.gov website is undergoing changes to provide you with a more intuitive and responsive user experience. The Grants.gov production site will be updated with a new look and feel following October maintenance. The Grants.gov Production site will be unavailable during the scheduled **downtime maintenance period of October 28-31.**\*

#### Here's what you can look forward to:

- Enhanced User Experience: The new interface will feel more user-friendly, fresh, and modern.
- Responsive Design: Grants.gov will now be accessible on most devices.
- Enhanced Security: The upgraded website will feature enhanced security measures.
- Alignment with Federal Standards: Grants.gov will align with the United States Web Design System (USWDS), a federal standard designed to provide accessible and mobile-friendly websites to all users.

## **Your Grants.gov Content Remains Unchanged**

Rest assured, while the look and feel of the site are getting a makeover, the content you rely on will remain the same. You'll find the same valuable resources and information, now presented in a more user-friendly format.

#### **Action Required: Check Your Bookmarks**

Please take a moment on or after October 31, 2023, to check the URLs of any bookmarks you may have for Grants.gov. Some page URLs may change, so updating your bookmarks will ensure uninterrupted access to Grants.gov resources.

### **What to Expect Next**

While many sections of the site will reflect the new look and feel, some sections, including post-login pages such as applicant, grantor, and subscription pages, are still pending updates. Some functionalities, such as Chatbot, may not be available immediately following the release. However, these functionalities will be included in the follow-up releases. We are committed to bringing you a consistently improved Grants.gov experience across the board. You can learn more by checking out <a href="Grants.gov">Grants.gov</a> latest blog post.

\* NOTE: The Grants.gov training site will be updated to a new look and feel following the scheduled downtime maintenance period October 25 to October 27.

You can read more about **Grants.gov latest news in their October Newsletter**.

# COGR's Recommended Considerations when Preparing for a Federal Government Shutdown

COGR released a <u>list of items institutions may consider in the likelihood of a government shutdown to manage federally sponsored projects</u>. This list is not official guidance but rather a cumulation of past shutdown experiences. The list also includes helpful resources and links to <u>contingency plans for agencies across the Federal Government</u>.

## The Early Career Workshop Series for Stony Brook Researchers

The Office of Proposal Development (OPD) and Office of Sponsored Programs (OSP) have teamed up to present the 2023-2024 Early Career Workshop Series for Stony Brook Researchers! This virtual workshop series began on Thursday, October 19 th and includes seven workshops. The series will walk researchers through the following topics: Introduction to OSP/OPD (October 19), Introduction to Various Sponsors (November 9), Understanding a Funding Opportunity Announcement (December 14), Common Proposal Elements (January 11), How to Construct a Budget (Feb 8), Regulatory Compliance (Mar 7), and Engaging with a Program Officer (April 11). Each session will take place from noon to 1 pm and registration for the virtual series can be completed at this link. We hope to see you there!

# NCURA NIH Data Management & Sharing Policy \* Budgeting and Application Tips and Tricks (or Treat?) Webinar

The Office of Sponsored Programs is pleased to offer SBU Department Administrators, Faculty and Staff the opportunity to attend the NCURA NIH Data Management & Sharing Policy \* Budgeting and Application Tips and Tricks (or Treat?) Webinar at no cost. Please disseminate this information to all interested Faculty/Staff across your department/school. We hope many will take advantage of this opportunity.

Workshop Title: NIH Data Management & Sharing Policy \* Budgeting and Application Tips and Tricks

(or Treat?)

Date/Time: October 30, 2023

2:00 - 3:30 pm EDT \* Webinar

3:35 – 4:30 pm EDT \* After the Show \* Talk with the Faculty Directly!

### **Description:**

The new NIH Data Management and Sharing (DMS) Policy, effective on January 25, 2023, requires a Data Management and Sharing Plan (DMS Plan) for ALL NIH-funded projects that generate scientific data. Join us for a discussion of strategies to support researchers in confidently navigating the requirements of this new policy and opportunities to optimize the efficiency of institutional processes while maintaining compliance. We will also discuss common costs associated with data management and sharing activities and approaches for working with researchers to develop realistic budgets for implementing their DMS Plans.

Participants will learn about the background of the NIH DMS Policy, discover tips and tricks for navigating the new application and budgeting instructions, and gain insights into potential methods to mitigate the administrative burden associated with implementation of this new policy at their own institution.

#### Presenters:

- Christi Keene, Senior Director, Research Finance, University of Chicago
- Melissa Korf, Senior Director, Research Contracts, Data and Security, Harvard Medical School
- Jim Luther, Interim Research Compliance Officer, Yale University

If you are interested in attending, please complete our <u>online registration form</u>. Upon receipt of your registration form, you will be sent the NCURA link and guidance on use.

## myResearch Grants Training Sessions

myResearch Training sessions: myResearch Grants is the campus approval system required prior to the submission of all funding applications to a sponsor. OSP offers hands-on training classes, via Zoom, to instruct participants on how to build a sample funding proposal in the myResearch Grants Test environment, including how to fill out the smart forms, complete the main FP section with required attachments, budget sections and credit split section. We will also discuss routing, revising the FP and answer any questions that you may have about the process. myResearch Grants Training dates will be announced later this summer on the OSP-OGM webpage.

## **WolfMart Live Training is Now Available!**

Are you new to WolfMart and unsure of how to use it? Or an existing WolfMart user that could benefit from a WolfMart refresher? Procurement now offers LIVE WolfMart training classes via Zoom! This comprehensive training course covers all the basics of WolfMart: site navigation, how to put through requisitions and purchase orders, various special request forms and when to use each, as well as tips and tricks. Training sessions are held on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month. Register for a WolfMart Live training session.

## Have questions on a specific topic?

The Offices of Sponsored Programs and Grants Management launched a new webpage which allows you to find your contact information in our offices, as well as other units in OVPR, by searching a specific topic. You can access the information here.

#### **External Newsletters**

<u>Access external newsletters on the OSP-OGM website</u> for the most up to date information from Grants.gov, NIH and other agencies.

## **Training Opportunities**

#### Fall 2023 NSF Virtual Grants Conference - Save the Date

Save the Date! Join the National Science Foundation (NSF) for the **Fall 2023 NSF Virtual Grants Conference**, to be held during the week of **December 4 to December 7, 2023**.

Registration will be free of charge and opens on Wednesday, November 8 at 12 pm ET. Be on the lookout for our *Registration is Open* email, which will provide the registration links and details for this event.

In the meantime, please feel free to check <u>nsfpolicyoutreach.com</u> for the most up-to-date information and view <u>recordings</u> of sessions from previous conferences. You may also view the Spring 2023 Virtual Grants Conference recordings on the <u>NSF YouTube</u> page. For those who cannot attend the live conference, all recorded conference sessions will be available on-demand shortly after the event and posted on the <u>NSF website</u> and the <u>NSF YouTube</u> page.

If you have any logistical questions about this virtual conference, please contact NSF at: <a href="mailto:grants\_conference@nsf.gov">grants\_conference@nsf.gov</a>.

#### **NIH Webinar**

#### NIH All About Grants Podcast: Application Post Submission Policy

Dr. Stephanie Constant, NIH's Review Policy Officer, joins in an episode of the NIH All About Grants podcast to talk about Post-Submission materials. She talks about the purpose of the policy, what "unforeseen events" can be added after submission (such as preliminary data in certain situations), what cannot (like preprints), logistics for providing them to NIH, how reviewers use this additional information, and who to contact. Visit the NIH All About Grants page to access the podcast.

#### **SRA Webinar**

## Federal Contracting Horizon: Spotlight on Emerging Changes and Hot Topics

In the intricate world of federal contracting, keeping abreast of the latest trends, regulations, and pivotal debates is crucial. This webinar promises to immerse participants in the latest developments, with the TikTok ban serving as a compelling case study. Journey with us through the vast landscape of federal contracting as we spotlight the most urgent shifts and fervent discussions.

Visit <u>SRA International to sign up</u> for this free webinar on **Wednesday**, **November 1**, **2023 at 2 pm EDT**.

# **Team Spotlights**



Who is working on a cool new project and why? Working with someone who exceeded your expectations? This section will focus on recognizing the great service provided, and the good that happens on a daily basis in OSP and OGM.

## Campus feedback is always appreciated!

To **Jennifer Winger**: "She went above and beyond the call of duty..." (Faculty, Pharmacological Sciences)

To **Mary Serra** "I wanted to tell you how amazing Mary Serra was on 2 last minute submissions that we had last week. She was truly a rockstar and professionalism at its best." (Administrator, CEAS)

To **Melissa Spence** (OGM) "I just wanted to email you both quickly to let you know what a phenomenal job Melissa Spence has been doing and we are so incredibly lucky to have someone like her working with us. She is always very quick to respond, incredibly thorough when explaining things, and just an overall kind person. (Administrator, Physics)

Shout out to Phoebe Daoud(OGM) for her help during Homecoming weekend as a finish line volunteer early Sunday morning, greeting the participants as they completed the WOLFIE DASH 5K RUN/WALK!

To **OGM Senior team** "Also, another quick shout out to your team, they were so tremendously helpful during the new process rollout" (Graduate School administration)

# **Research Community Corner**

The Research Community Corner is designed to provide our campus administrators and researchers with the opportunity to connect with our two central offices, OSP and OGM, by sharing important topics, updates, experiences, best practices which would help build a common understanding around pre and post-award research administration. Other relevant news or topics of interest we would like to know and share include department or unit changes due to retirement, reorganization, new hires; meaningful resources; helpful tips; training and support requests or ideas to peer administrators or faculty; OSP/OGM employee recognition messages. As always, OSP and OGM will work with departments to ensure faculty and research administrators have correct system access and provide training to those who are unfamiliar with OSP/OGM processes.

#### Share your news, ideas, best practices, or topics of interest!

Topics must be submitted to us no later than the third Friday of each month in order to be reviewed and considered for publication.



"October is the month of painted leaves. Their rich glow now flashes round the world." — Henry David Thoreau