Sponsored Projects Roles and Responsibilities

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Proposal Development

PI

- Writes proposal in compliance with various policies (state, university, federal)
 - Description of work, budget, key personnel, resources needed, subrecipients, etc.
- Identifies compliance requirements (i.e. human subjects)
- Ensures proposal is completed with sufficient time to be reviewed
 - Budgets complete 10 business days prior to deadline
 - All final docs 5 business prior to deadline

Proposal Development

Department Admin

- In coordination with PI, aids in developing budget
- Identifies special terms like cost sharing
- Identifies special items like equipment or subrecipients
- Completes appropriate University routing forms



Proposal Development

- Pre-Award (OSPRI)
 - Assists in identifying funding opportunities
 - Assists in preparing proposal budgets
 - Reviews solicitations and final proposals before submission
 - Reviews and negotiates grants and contracts
 - i.e. overly burdensome compliance requirements, unacceptable cost-share obligations, restrictions on publication, potential conflicts of interest
 - Facilitates review of pre-award spending requests



PI

- Reviews and maintains each award's terms and conditions
- Oversees the conduct of research
- Oversees the research team
- Oversees compliance with technical, progress, and compliance reporting

- Department Admin
 - Reviews NOA and all other relevant award documentation
 - Reviews all special terms and conditions, cost share requirements, etc.
 - Communicates project information and ST to all parties needing to be informed of new project
 - Who is purchasing supplies? Equipment? Who is setting up POs for subrecipients/consultants?

OSPRI

 If award has subrecipient, negotiates and establishes agreement in coordination with the PI

- SPA (Sponsored Projects Accounting)
 - Upon award acceptance:
 - Receives notification from OSP via Cayuse that project has been awarded
 - Sets up budget, ST, project in PeopleSoft
 - Reviews award documentation

SPA

- Completes and/or approves any financial reporting required for project
- Invoices sponsor on monthly or quarterly basis
 - Works with sponsor to receive payments
- Approves JEs or PETs for expenditures that are moved or removed from the project

PI

- Primary responsibility for stewardship of project funds
 - Maintain compliance with SOW
 - Review expenditures monthly to ensure allowability
- Communicates effort to department admin to set up payroll distributions and changes throughout life of project
 - For PI and for team allocating effort to project

- Prepares technical reports
- Communicates any contractual needs or changes to OSPRI
 - Additional funding
 - Extended time
 - Rebudgets

- Department Administrator(s)
 - Sends monthly expenditure reports to PI
 - Ensures expenditures being allocated to project are allowable
 - Ensures any missing expenditures are promptly allocated to the project
 - Reconciles project including payroll, vendor payments, supplies, etc.
 - Sets up funding distributions and promptly enters changes in HCM or via PET



OSPRI

 Reviews prior approval requests such as nocost extensions, rebudget requests, changes in key personnel, modifications

SPA

- Completes and/or approves any financial reporting required for project
- Invoices sponsor on monthly or quarterly basis
 - Works with sponsor to receive payments
- Approves JEs or PETs for expenditures that are moved or removed from the project
- Follows procedures to review questionable expenditures



Closeout

PI/Departmental Admin

- Communicates extension needs to OSP
- Reviews expenditures ensures only project related expenditures have been allocated to project and all effort has been allocated accurately
- Updates funding in HCM so salaries do not charge to suspense
- Submits final deliverables/technical reports

Closeout

- PI/Departmental Admin
 - Ensures
 - No outstanding ePERs
 - Cost share requirements have been met
 - Subrecipients have submitted final invoices

Closeout

SPA

- Manages closeout process within PeopleSoft
- Reviews and verifies financial records
- Prepares necessary closeout forms (See SPA SPAN | Reporting Responsibilities and JEs | Microsoft Teams training for more info)
- Works with PI and admin team to resolve any discrepancies, questions, etc during closeout process
- Inactivates ST and project in PeopleSoft



PI

- Maintains regular contact with subrecipient team
- Reviews any reporting required by the subrecipient
- Verifies sub's work is conducted in a timely manner that aligns with main project's goals and within compliance

Department Admin

- Reviews subrecipient invoices
- Ensures timely receipt of programmatic reports
- Identifies and follows up on questioned expenditures
- Maintains documentation for all monitoring effects

OSPRI

- Reviews and approves certain high risk subrecipients
 - Reviews risk findings
- In collaboration with PI, compiles required documentation for sub package
- Prepares the agreement

SPA

- Performs risk analysis prior to OSPRI issuing agreement
- Annually requests sub certification
- Performs annual review of sub performance with PI and Grant Admin
- Reviews certifications/reports for audit findings

Effort Reporting

PI

- Provides timely effort to department admin to set up payroll distributions and changes throughout life of project
 - For PI and for team allocating effort to project
- Ensures ePERs by project team are certified accurately and timely
- Complies with sponsor requirements

Effort Reporting

Departmental Admin

- Validates that effort calculations are entered in HCM accurately and timely
- Communicates regularly with PI concerning efforts of project team
 - Enters changes to effort in a timely manner
- Submits PETs to correct salary to match effort

Effort Reporting

SPA

- Sends out notifications for terminated employees with pending ePER certifications
- During closeout, ensures all ePERs have been certified by project team
- Works with PI and Admin to resolve inconsistencies in effort

References

- Subrecipient Monitoring Doc
 - Sponsored Projects Links and Publications
 - Subrecipient Monitoring
 - https://vcaf.uccs.edu/units/controllersoffice/sponsored-projects



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SPAN Awareness





Office of Research Two Webpages – Research Integrity and Export Controls https://osp.uccs.edu/

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Some Areas Research Compliance of SPAN Encounter

- Human Subjects Research (Institutional Review Board – IRB) 644 active research protocols
- Export Controls (Student and Employee VISA, purchasing)
- Conflict of Interest (COI)
- Misconduct in Research



Some Relatively New Areas

- Other Support Disclosure –A renewed focus on foreign affiliations and support
- NSF Safe and Inclusive Work Environment
- OIT Research and Compliance
- Coming Soon Research Security training (NSF, DoD, DoE, and other sponsors).











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