Greetings,

On December 26, 2013, the Office of Management and Budget released the "Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards", commonly known as the Uniform Guidance, or 2 CFR 200, or “UG”.

The UG consolidates and makes consistent the administrative requirements, cost principles and audit requirements formerly included in eight separate circulars. For universities and other institutions of higher education, the Uniform Guidance replaces OMB Circulars A-21, A-110, and A-133.

The UG will become effective December 26, 2014, and will apply to all new awards and additional funding increments issued after that date.

The Research Foundation for SUNY is currently working with the sponsored programs offices on campuses to determine the impact on policies and procedures and to recommend and draft training materials.

Areas that may affect you as a faculty member with federal funding include:
- Procurement
- Prior approvals
- Direct charging of Administrative and Clerical Salaries
- Direct charging of other costs
- Closeout
- Subrecipient Monitoring and Management
- Effort Reporting

Additional communication will follow. In the meantime, please contact the Sponsored Programs Administration at OSP@albany.edu or 518-437-4550 with specific questions.

Information and details will be provided as they become available. Please refer to the Sponsored Programs website for additional information and updates.

You may also find information on:

The Research Foundation for SUNY public webpage: www.rfsuny.org and

The Council on Financial Assistance Reform (COFAR) website: COFAR website which includes background information, FAQs, webcasts and other supplemental materials.

Thank you,

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