

GCA NEWS

Grants and Contracts Accounting Updates

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Budget Time Project Extensions

Hopefully you have all started to work on your ECAV's for projects that will end June 30, but will have a continuing year. You should have received a list of all projects that are ending between June 30th and July 15th. If these projects will be renewed, then you will need to submit an ECAV through Sooner Track. Due to State budget issues, we ask that you have confirmation from the State agency that your state contract will be renewed prior to submitting your ECAV.

Clinical Trials cannot be extended by ECAV, they must have the IRB date extended in order for GCA to extend the project. Once an IRB extension is received, please contact your GCA Accountant to extend the project. Please feel free to contact your GCA Accountant with any questions.

We are still waiting on word from DCA on our new fringe rate. We will let everyone know the minute we have an agreement in place.

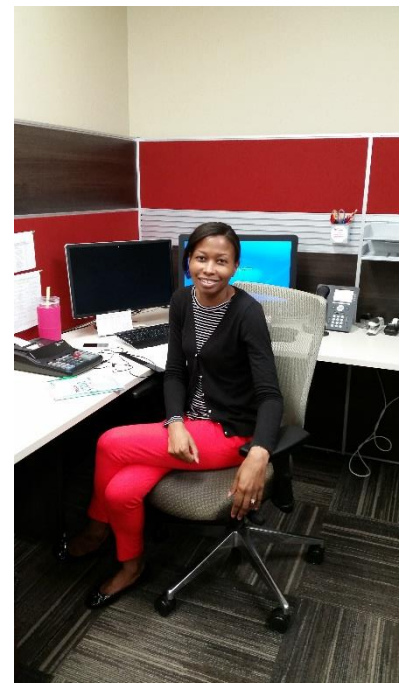
Federal Guidelines – Wage Increases

Employees working on grants may only receive raises when increases are given regardless of the funding source that personnel are working on.

- The Cost Accounting Principles located in the Uniform Guidance at 2 CFR 200 §200.430 discuss how compensation is considered reasonable if it is distributed in a consistent manner whether persons are paid on Federal awards or non-Federal activities.
- The NIH Grants Policy Manual 7.9.1: Selected Items of Cost – Salaries and Wages states that compensation costs are allowable to the extent that they are reasonable, conform to the established policy of the organization, consistently applied regardless of funding, and reasonably reflect the percentage of time actually devoted to the project.

Why Wait?

As the deadline passed for the quarter 2 pre-review process, 90 projects were left unreviewed. This was 13% of the total number of projects. Departmental staff are given a minimum of 10 business days to review the time and effort report prior to the certification process starting. If you do not pre-review during the ten day period, then the Principal Investigator has less time to perform their certification process. Please do not wait until the last day or after the period has ended. If a cost transfer is required, this can cause a significant delay if the pre-review was not completed in a timely manner.



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