Research Administration Lunch & Learn

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- **Outreach Survey**

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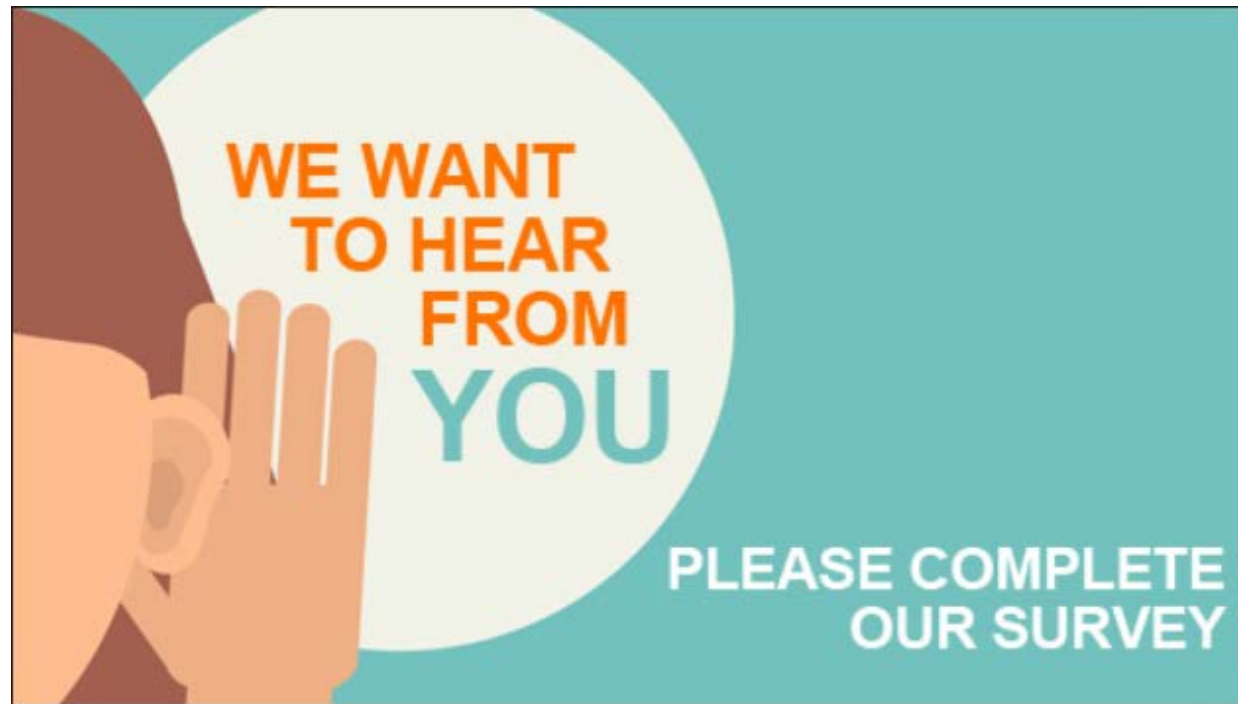- **ePaws Updates**

- **FDP Clearinghouse**

- **Subaward Request Form**

- **Coming soon: Form Facelifts**

Outreach Survey

- Current state of outreach…

Participant Support Costs

Costs for individuals participating in research and sponsored programs may be allowable charges to an award.

Incentives for participating in human subject research studies are more commonly referred to as **study subject payments or research participant incentives** and are costs (cash or in-kind, e.g., gift cards) related to participating in research or other sponsored activities. For NSF proposals, Incentives are considered Other Direct Costs on the NSF budget form.

Participant support costs include stipends, allowances and fees paid on behalf of or directly to an individual participating in sponsored training or conference programs. NSF REU student stipends are considered Participant Support Costs and should be included on that line item in the NSF budget.

MTDC and F&A: Study subject payments are included in the proposal budget modified total direct costs base; participant support costs are *excluded* from the base and, accordingly, no F&A is charged on those participant support costs. NSF requires that Participant Support Costs remain segregated. Accounts Payable has a special DPAY form for payments and Research Finance uses the following **Banner subcodes:**

78010	Student Subject Payments/Incentives
74600	Participant Support Costs – Stipends
74601	Participant Support Costs – Other

Reminder . . . . .

For more information about Participant Support Costs or Study Subject Incentives, visit RA's FAQs

QUICK TIPS

National Institutes of Health
Turning Discovery Into Health

Coming Soon:

Unobligated Balance
SOP and Calculator!

Having Challenges Tracking Down Students and Postdocs at the Time of the RPPR? Here is a Tip to Make It Easier…

Posted on January 30, 2018 by NIH Staff

Having challenges tracking down students and postdocs at the time of reporting? Establishing a process where you have students and postdocs establish an eRA Commons account at the time they start working on an NIH grant award can save you a lot of time and energy trying to track down people who may no longer be at your institution at the time of your Research Performance Progress Report (RPPR) submission. You may even want to have them create an ORCID ID as well! (In case you missed it, read the November 2017 Open Mike blog post to learn more about eRA Commons and ORCID integration.)

Sign up here for NIH Extramural News listserv and blog!

ePAWS and ePAWS 2.0

- ## ePAWS
  - New Deadline Date validation
    - ePaws will validate that Deadline Date is in the future...will a produce a warning if date is in the past
      - Not an error – routing can continue after acknowledgement
  - Added indicator to the *search results* showing submitted to sponsor date

- ## ePAWS 2.0
  - Discovery Phase underway
    - Background review (off-site)
    - 2 week on-site requirements gathering (beginning of March 2018)
    - Phase I Proposal/Estimation of Costs/T&M Contract
      - *Feedback encouraged and welcomed!*
      - Complete the feedback form at: http://www.northeastern.edu/research/raf/proposal-prep/

FDP Expanded Clearinghouse

Welcome to the FDP Expanded Clearinghouse online system. This public website and user system are the products of an FDP Pilot Project to test the efficacy and efficiency of using online organization Profiles in lieu of subrecipient commitment forms to obtain information needed by pass-through entities when they are issuing subawards or monitoring their subrecipient entities.

What information is available in the organization Profiles?

Data included on each published organization profile has been certified correct by an applicable institutional official and includes data about the entity's most recent Single Audit, F&A, and fringe benefit rates as well as suspension and debarment, PHS financial conflict of interest policy status, Federal Wide Assurance number, other compliance-related information, and a wide variety of federal codes (DUNS, EIN, CAGE, etc.) and contact information (senior authorized official, FFATA, financial, COI, etc.) that are commonly needed for various types of subawards. All published profiles can be accessed by clicking on "Participating Organizations" above and are publically available without logging into the system. The FDP Pilot team monitors the Profiles regularly to ensure the data is current. The accuracy of the Profile information is the responsibility of the Pilot organization.

View the Organization Profiles

Find an Organization

How does an organization include their Profile in this system?

Organizations that have their Profiles included in this website and system are members of the FDP Expanded Clearinghouse Pilot that

FDP Expanded Clearinghouse

- Federal Demonstration Partnership is a collaboration of 119 colleges, universities and academic medical centers in partnership with 8 federal agencies

- The goal is to reduce administrative burden

- As part of that the FDP has put together an Expanded Clearinghouse to help institutions reduce the number of *Subrecipient Commitment/Profile Forms* that need to be provided at the proposal stage

- It is not mandated that you use this clearinghouse, but you are welcome to let the other party know that we are part of the Clearinghouse and see if you can use that in lieu of completing the form

- https://fdpclearinghouse.org/

Subaward Request Form

- Please complete the subaward request form
  - http://www.northeastern.edu/research/raf/files/Subaward-Request-Form-1.10.18.pdf

- Please send to oraf@northeastern.edu

- We have posted for the subaward manager

Coming Soon!

The UPAF, AOS and Investigator Determination Forms are getting facelifts!

- Minimal changes, focused on formatting and clarity, pared down data elements in some places
- Developed How-to Guides to further clarify, especially around required signatures
- Presented to the Intercollegiate meeting (ADR/ADF)
- Hope to roll out next month

THANK YOU!