

#### **Grants Management Overview**

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# Successfully Managing PAIES Grants

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### **Topic Areas**

I. Annual Federal Financial Report (FFR) (SF-425)
Payment Management System Account (PMS)
Program Progress Report (PPR)
Post-Award Monitoring

#### **II. Other Grants Administration Topics**

Budget Revisions requiring prior approval

**Budget Modifications** 

Cash on Hand

**Expired Funding Approval Process** 

**Grant Closeout Notice of Award** 

# The importance of meeting grants management reporting deadlines and what those are?

- Failure to submit reports when due will be indicative of noncompliance with award terms and conditions.
- The submission of interim *FFRs* are on a quarterly, semi-annual, or annual basis, as directed by the Federal agency. A final *FFR* shall be submitted at the completion of the award agreement. The following reporting period end dates shall be used for interim reports: 3/30, 6/30, 9/30, or 12/30. For final *FFRs*, the reporting period end date shall be the end date of the project or grant period.
- Quarterly and semi-annual interim reports shall be submitted no later than 30 days after the end of each reporting period. Annual reports shall be submitted no later than 90 days after the end of each reporting period. Final reports shall be submitted no later than 90 days after the project or grant period end date.

#### I. Payment Management System Account (PMS)

- Quarterly Federal Cash Transaction Report (FCTR)
- Authorized, Disbursed and Charges Advanced
- In Sync with Annual SF-425 report



### I. Program Progress Report

- Receipt of 4th Quarter PPR
- PPR Must Contain Factual Information
- PPR Must be Reviewed and Approved by FPO



#### **Post-Award Monitoring**

- Monthly monitoring both fiscal and programmatic aspects of your project.
- Monitor budgeting versus actuals in approval budget per the Notice of Award.
- Determine if there are cost overruns in areas to determine if budget modification is needed.
- Ensure the SF-425 (Federal Financial Report) and Payment Management System (PMS) financial reports reconcile when reporting disbursement to PMS and expenditure to ACF.
- Ensure that the programmatic reports have been submitted in a timely fashion.
- Ensure to report any challenges or issues you may have had trying to achieve the goals and objectives of the project

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## When should a grantee submit a budget modification and what constitutes a budget modification?

Change in Scope or Objective

Change and/or Absence in Key Personnel Transfer of Funds Budgeted for Participant Support

Transfer or Contract Out Work Not Approved in Application

Changes in the Amount of Approved Cost-Sharing or Matching

Need for Additional Funds

Alteration & Renovation of Real Property

No Cost Extensions Significant Re-budgeting

# **Budget Revisions requiring prior approval Regulatory Requirements 45 CFR Part 75.308**

- A. Submission of an amendment in Grant Solutions
- B. Required Documents
- 1. Cover Letter
- 2. SF-424
- 3. SF-424A
- 4. Budget (inclusive of line item detail and narrative justification)
- 5. SF-425
- 6. Indirect Cost Rate Agreement (Current, if applicable)

# Cash on hand – What is allowed and what precautions or internal controls should the grantee take, implement to ensure compliance?

- This amount represents immediate cash needs. If more than three business days of cash are on hand, the Federal agency requires that it be returned to PMS or interest should be paid on these funds to ensure compliance.
- Interest earned amounts up to \$500 per year may be retained by the non-Federal entity for administrative expense.
- The timing and amount of advance payments must be as close as is administratively feasible to the actual disbursements by the non-Federal entity for direct program or project costs and the proportionate share of any allowable indirect costs.
- The non-Federal entity must make timely payment to contractors in accordance with the contract provisions.

#### **Expired Funding Approval Process**

- In order for the Office of Grants Management to consider approval for draw down of payment from an expired grant, at a minimum the following information needs to be obtained from you.
- 1. An explanation for making an untimely draw from an expired budget period.
- 2. Assurance safeguards are in place to prevent untimely draw down of grant funds in the future.
- 3. Confirmation that the requested funds were obligated and recorded on your books prior to the expiration date of the budget period.
- 4. A breakdown of the expenditures showing how the requested funds will be distributed to the approved cost categories, e.g. personnel, fringe benefits, travel and etc.
- After receipt and review of the above requested information, a determination regarding approval can be made. Please note that your annual SF-425 needs to reconcile with your PMS account.



#### I. Closeout of Project Period

Process that takes place following the expiration of the budget period for a discretionary grant or cooperative agreement.

- 90-day Liquidation Period
- Federal and Matching Requirement
- Indirect Cost Calculation Correct & Valid
- Unobligated Balances & Unliquidated Balances
- In Sync with PMS Account



#### I. Closeout of Project Period Cont...

#### **Grant Closeout Notice of Award**

- Automated Closeout Action by GS When all three "buckets" equal in PMS
- Manual Closeout Action by Office of Grants Management
   When all three "buckets" equal in PMS and when Fund must be deobligated
- Treatment of Unobligated Balance Offset, Deobligate, COB
- Closeout Action Transmitted to PMS
- Grantees liable for any disallowances or monetary audit findings post closeout

### QUESTIONS

