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Washington, D.C.

Agenda for this Session

- Introduce Presenters
- Why this Session and Why Now?
- Case Studies and Insights
- Your Concerns, Q&A, Other Comments

Presenters

- Sara Bible, Associate Vice Provost for Research – Stanford University
- Terry Johnson, Associate Vice President & Controller – University of Iowa
- Lynn McGinley, Assistant Vice President for Sponsored Projects, Accounting and Compliance – University of Maryland at Baltimore

Why this Session and Why Now?

- **We are tired of talking about Proposed OMB Guidance**
- **NIH Core Facilities and recent FAQs**
- **COGR Comments to Proposed OMB Guidance**
- **Research Business Models outreach to COGR**
- **Fact finding / Hot buttons / Good practices / etc.**

NIH Core Facilities and FAQs

- NOT-OD-13-053, April 8th
- Narrowly defined applicability
- Working capital reserves
- Equipment replacement fund when equipment is federally funded
- “One-service, one-rate” operating principle?
- Program income not addressed in detail

Proposed OMB Guidance

- Circular A-21; Specialized Service Facilities only
- COGR: “The costs of services associated with other institutional service centers or recharge centers may be charged directly to Federal awards based on actual usage of the services on the basis of a schedule of rates that does not discriminate against federally-supported activities of the entity.”
- Working capital reserves
- Equipment replacement fund when equipment is federally funded

OSTP – Research Business Models (RBM)

- The RBM is an interagency working group of the Subcommittee on Social, Behavioral and Economic Sciences of the Committee on Science a chartered committee of the National Science and Technology Council. Objectives include facilitating a coordinated effort across Federal agencies to address important policy implications arising from the changing nature of scientific research and examining the effects of these changes on business models for the conduct of scientific research sponsored by the Federal government.
- Grantee challenges on federal instrumentation and equipment programs
- Equipment replacement fund when equipment is federally funded

**What can be improved? How can
COGR inform? How do
we effectively advocate?**

