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Case Studies on COVID-19's Impact on Sponsored Activities at Research Institutions

April 9, 2020

#### **Panelists:**

**Stephanie Endy,** Associate Vice President for Research, Case Western Reserve University

Joseph Gindhart, Associate Vice Chancellor for Finance and Sponsored Projects, Washington University in St. Louis

**Bruce Morgan**, Associate Vice Chancellor for Research Administration, University of California, Irvine



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- Salary issues Charging salaries consistently
- Documenting, coding, and tracking COVID-19 costs
- Defining essential or critical research
- Ramping up and assessing impact
- Agency specific guidance and legislative efforts
- Special considerations for R&D contracts
- Impact of pausing human subjects research
- Managing subawards disparity in operations, progress and cost considerations



## Today, Case Studies On

### **How My Campus Addressed**

- Ramping down research in response to COVID restrictions and associated costs.
- Payment of salary for remote work and idled employees and trainees.
- Communication and outreach.
- Special considerations.



## Important Overarching Guidance

- March 19, 2020
- Guidance from OMB to the federal agencies
- Applies to Federal Financial <u>Assistance</u> Directly Impacted by COVID-19
- Contracts are addressed separately by agency
- Federal agencies are issuing guidance

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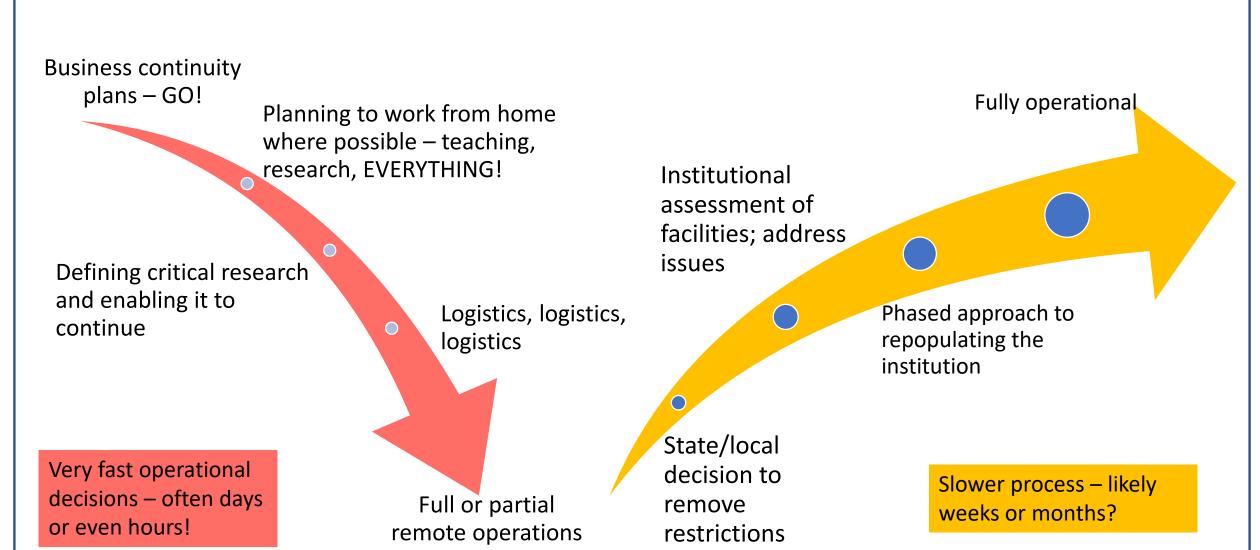
#### Federal Agency Guidance on COVID -19's Impact on I

	Agency Name	Late Proposal Acceptance Guidance	Allowability of salaries and other project activities	Late SAM Registration	Other Program Costs
;	OMB M-20-17	YES Agencies may accept late applications.  OMB allows awarding agencies to provide flexibility for submission of competing applications (solicited and unsolicited). See OMB Memorandum M-20-17, Administrative Relief for Recipients and Applicants of Federal Financial Assistance Directly Impact	YES Agencies may permit charging of salaries of idled staff.  OMB permits awarding agencies to charge salaries and benefits to active award, provided that the recipient has a policy in place for paying salaries under extraordinary conditions applicable to all funding sources.	YES Agencies may permit late SAM registration.  Current registrants in SAM with active registrations expiring before May 16, 2020 will be afforded a one time extension of 60 days.	YES Agencies may all OMB permits awarding resume activities.
	onal Institutes of Health (NIH)	YES Late proposals may be accepted.  NIH will consider whether to accept late applications on a case-by-case basis.  NIH (NOT-OD-20-082). Note that a later notice (NOT-OD-20-091) states that all  grant applications submitted late for due dates between March 9, 2020 and  May 1 2020 will be accepted through May 1, 2020, but that late applications  received after May 1, 2020 may not be reviewed until the Jan. 2021 council  round.	is performed or personnel are redenloved to	YES Late SAM registration permitted. Flexibility with SAM Registration	YES Flexibility is perr NIH has extended varie of award funds, includ refundable costs assoc conferences, costs rela until their later use on associated with the co study visits locally, tra personnel and supply i

- Summary of agency guidance and updates
- Updated regularly
- Check the <a href="www.cogr.edu">www.cogr.edu</a>
  for the latest information



### Ramp Down and Ramp Up of Institutional Operations





## Poll - Where are you in this timeline?

No change in my institution's operations

We're planning for remote or wind down of activities (except for critical activities)

We are in the process of transitioning to remote operations, except where on-campus activities have been approved

We are in steady state of significant remote operations, including sponsored programs

We've started ramping activities back up

Other – tell us in the chat window



## Case Western Reserve University

- Open/closed now has lots of nuances in between
- Research is OPEN with few restrictions
- Allows us to have 'belt and suspenders' approach to charges on sponsored programs
- Few contracts on campus, primarily NIH dependent
- Not actually closing is helping with the majority of larger issues, but we still have a lot of the same smaller ones
- We are grateful for our leadership and for the ability to continue research





## Washington University in St. Louis

- Alternate Operations
- Research Continuity Plans and Ramp-down checklist
- Communicable Disease Policy and Special Leave
- Distinct Accounts To Track Costs
- Guidance for Researcher website
- Town Hall for Researchers





## University of California, Irvine

- Protecting people is the highest priority
- Preparation/planning informed by what's happening elsewhere
- Coordinating communication is essential
  - Don't forget your Academic Senate leaders
  - Define essential research to meet your institution's needs
  - Process for determining and tracking essential research
  - Broadly share what you learn
- Transferring research PPE to the healthcare enterprise
- Using research personnel, supplies, materials and equipment to support the healthcare enterprise has made a difference
- IT infrastructure is essential for successful telecommuting
- Humor is an essential function!





## University of California, Irvine - Resources

- UCI Research Continuity Website -<u>https://news.research.uci.edu/research-continuity/</u>
- UCI Definition of Critical Research -<u>https://news.research.uci.edu/defining-critical-research/</u>
- Ramp Down Check List https://www.ehs.uci.edu/Laboratory%20Ramp Down%20Checklist%20(V4%203-16-20).docx
- UCI COVID-19 Website <a href="https://uci.edu/coronavirus/">https://uci.edu/coronavirus/</a>





## Overall Take-Aways

Safety is paramount

Situations evolve rapidly

Agency guidance has lagged

The only certainty is uncertainty



Q & A



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## Thank You

