AGENDA
MEETING OF THE COUNCIL ON GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS
WASHINGTON MARRIOTT HOTEL
October 20-21, 2016

Planning information for the upcoming meeting of the Council on Governmental Relations was sent to the COGR Listserve in early September 2016. Those planning to attend should make hotel reservations at the Washington Marriott Hotel at 1221 22nd Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. and should send registration notices along with registration fees to the COGR office. There is a block of rooms reserved for COGR participants and must be booked by Tuesday, September 27, 2016. After this block fills, reservations will be accepted only on a space and rate available basis. There may still be rooms available at the hotel, but not at the COGR rate. For reservations already made, changes should be made by telephone to the hotel (202-872-1500) and by email to trusso@cogr.edu. Meeting registration cancellations must be received in writing, preferably via email to trusso@cogr.edu, no later than Friday, October 14, 2016 to receive a refund of the registration fee.

Thursday, October 20, 2016

- 8:30 a.m. Registration
- 10:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. Thursday Morning Sessions – There are two concurrent sessions on Thursday morning.

**Current Developments in Research Compliance & Regulatory Reform.** Dr. Kathryn Partin, Director, HHS, The Office of Research Integrity, along with her two Division Directors, Zoe Hammatt, Division of Education and Integrity and Susan Garfinkel, Division of Investigative Oversight will present on “Developing the ORI Roadmap” and other initiatives that have taken place over the past several months.

Following this presentation, we will have a discussion of other policy and regulatory reform developments, such as the NIH policy on the use of a single IRB for multi-site trials, including direct charging costs. Other possible topics for discussion include federal policies for public access to research results and data and a discussion of the status of the Intergovernmental Personnel Act Program at NSF.

**The 2016 COGR F&A Survey, Rate Negotiation Landscape, and Other F&A Topics.** The 2016 COGR F&A On-line Survey was initiated on August 23rd. We will share preliminary results (de-identified) and will address developments on the F&A rate negotiation landscape. The panel will include representatives from consulting firms and those who have a unique perspective on recent F&A rate negotiations and other F&A issues. This session also will cover F&A “hot
topics” such as the status of F&A-related UG FAQs, the intersection of lease costs and the appropriate F&A rate (i.e., recent DOJ settlement), and direct charging of IRB costs under new NIH guidance.

- **12:00 Noon – 1:00 p.m. – **Buffet Lunch

- **1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. – Dr. Rush Holt, AAAS.** Dr. Rush Holt, Chief Executive Officer of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the world's largest multi-disciplinary scientific and engineering society. Scientist, Teacher, Congressman, Policy Expert, Dr. Holt has a unique range of knowledge and experience in the research enterprise and will provide his thoughts on the health of the enterprise, the most pressing issues facing us, and how we can together better address Congressional and public concerns about basic science and its benefits.

- **2:00 p.m. – 2:15 p.m. – **Break

- **2:15 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. – Update on Research Regulatory Reform.** This panel will address recent reports on research regulatory reform, related regulatory developments, and legislative efforts to implement proposed reforms. John Neumann, Director, and Miles Ingram, Senior Analyst, Natural Resources and Environment, Government Accountability Office (GAO), will join us to discuss the July 22 report Federal Research Grants: Opportunities Remain for Agencies to Streamline Administrative Requirements. Larry Faulkner, Chair of the National Academies Committee on Federal Research Regulations and Reporting Requirements and President Emeritus, University of Texas at Austin, and Barbara Bierer, Committee Member and Professor of Medicine, Harvard University, will discuss the report Optimizing the Nation’s Investment in Academic Research: A New Regulatory Framework for the 21st Century. Part 2 of the report was released on June 29. Jason Day, Legislative Director for Representative Dan Lipinski (D-IL3), will discuss legislation and hearings related to the National Academies and GAO reports and recommendations, including the University Regulations Streamlining and Harmonization Act of 2016 introduced by Rep. Lipinski on June 24 and the Senate’s Promoting Biomedical Research and Public Health for Patients Act.

- **3:45 p.m. -4:00 p.m. - **Break

- **4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. – The Expanding Role of Technology Transfer Offices.** Technology transfer offices at institutions have taken on new and expanding roles, including economic development, startup formation, gap funding for proof of concept, industry engagement, and other activities that go far beyond the traditional patent/licensing model. Often these involve partnerships with other offices such as sponsored research and corporate relations. In some cases these functions have been merged. A panel will discuss these developments and the ramifications for our institutions. Panel members will include representatives of the California Institute of Technology, the University of Pittsburgh and Johns Hopkins University, all of whom have been heavily involved in these newer initiatives. It will be moderated by Fred Reinhart, Past President of AUTM and a member of the COGR Contracts and Intellectual Property Committee. The session will provide insight into these new roles and likely future directions.

- **5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. – **Cocktail Reception & Buffet Dinner
Friday, October 21, 2016

- 7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. - **Buffet Breakfast**

- 8:30 a.m. – 9:15 a.m. **Michael Lauer, NIH.** NIH Deputy Director Michael Lauer will be discussing recent NIH policy developments.

- 9:15 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. – **OMB Update.** A representative from OMB will provide an update on the status of Procurement Standards, updates to the FAQs to the Uniform Guidance, and other related material.

- 10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. – **Break**

- 10:15 a.m. – 12:00 Noon – **COGR Committee Reports**
  - Research Compliance and Administration
  - Contracts and Intellectual Property
  - Costing Policies
  - Research & Regulatory Reform
  (Members are encouraged to submit advance questions and issues for Friday morning’s discussion to trusso@cogr.edu)

- 12:00 Noon – **Adjournment**