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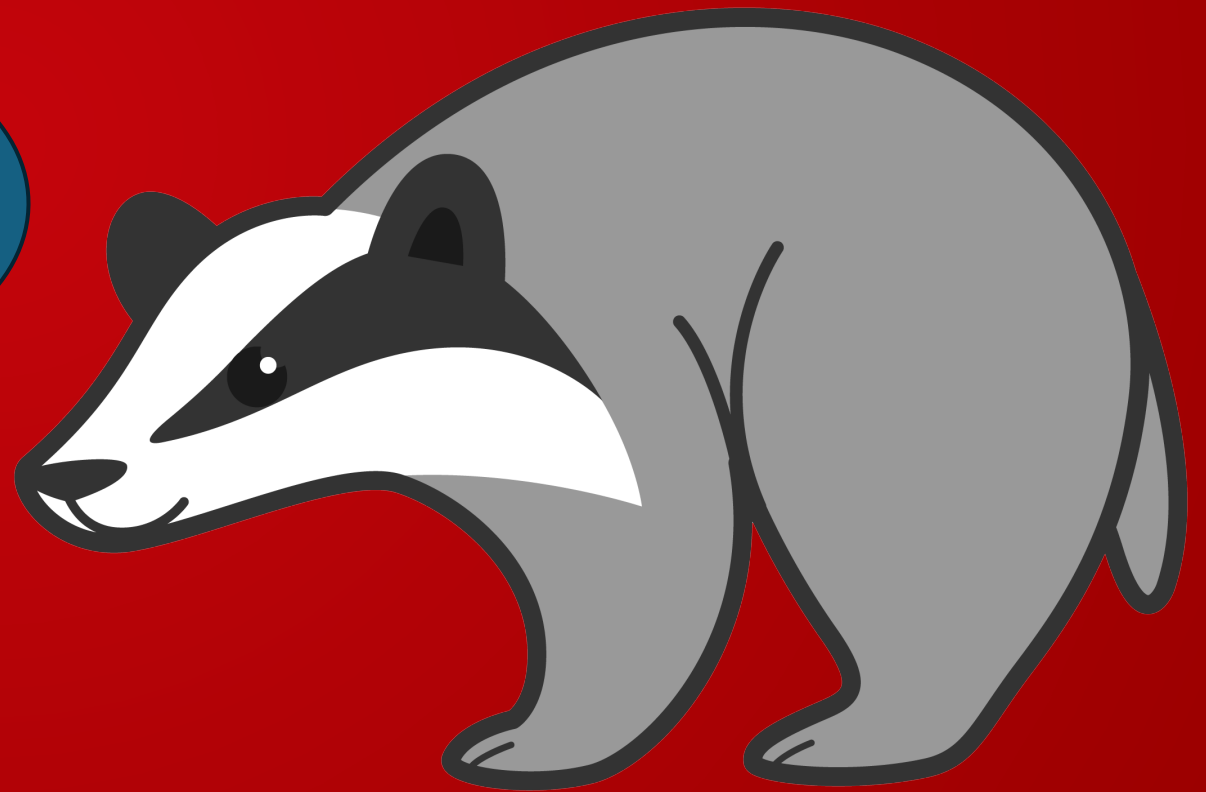
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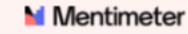




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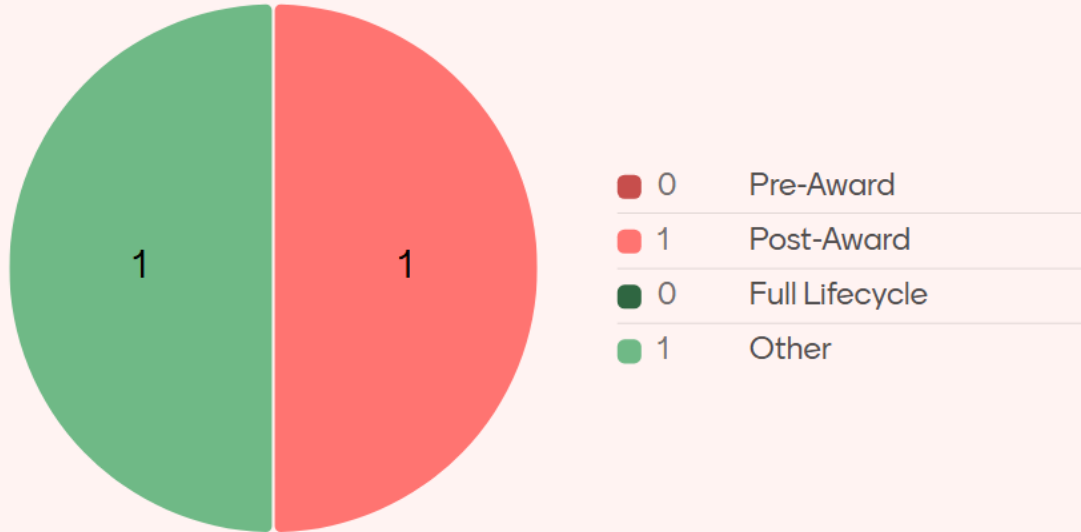
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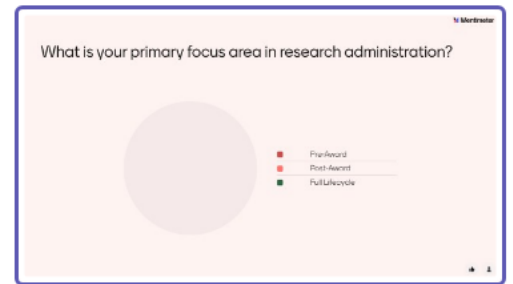
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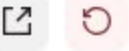
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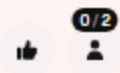
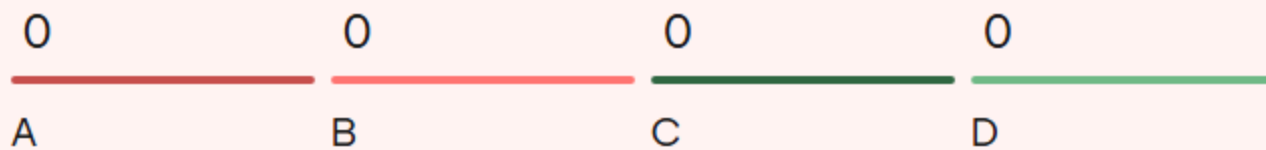




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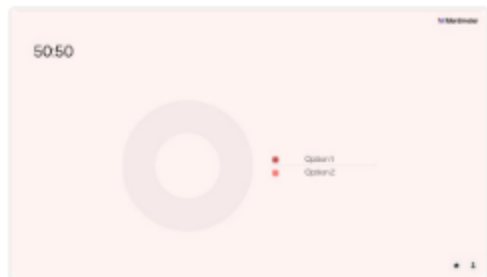
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In what section can you find Uniform Guidance in the Code of Federal Regulation?

A. 2 CFR 200

B. 21 CFR

C. 45 CFR 46

D. 42 CRF



When determining cost allowability under Uniform Guidance, which three criteria must be met?

A. Reasonable, allocable, and budgeted

B. Necessary, documented, and approved

C. Reasonable, allocable, and allowable

D. Direct, indirect, and consistent



What system is commonly used by non-profit organizations for proposal submissions?

A. grants.gov

B. SAM

C. ProposalCentral

D. eBRAP



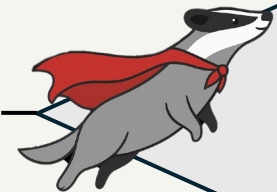
The "de minimis" indirect cost rate allowed under Uniform Guidance is:

A. 5% of TDC

B. 10% of MTDC

C. 15% of MTDC

D. 20% of TDC



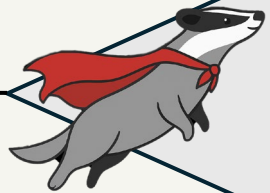
What legislation allows non-profits and small businesses to own IP generated by federal awards?

A. Hatch Act


B. Common Rule

C. Bayh-Dole Act

D. America COMPETES Act



A Program Income report is required when:



A. The project produces revenue from federally funded activities

B. Equipment is purchased over \$5,000

C. A No-cost extension is requested

D. The project is overspent

When working with the NIH, what does ARA stand for?

A. Approval Request from Agency

B. Approval Request for Application

C. Awaiting Receipt of Approval

D. Awaiting Receipt of Application



The best indicator that an agreement should be treated as a *subaward* rather than a procurement contract is the collaborator:

A. Provides routine service



B. Is involved in programmatic decision-making

C. Issues invoices monthly

D. Sets their own indirect rate

What do you call an Institutional Review Board responsible for the review of human subjects research for a multiple site project?

A. Prime IRB

B. Single IRB

C. Sponsor IRB

D. Owning IRB



Under the Uniform Guidance's *Expanded Authorities*, which of the following actions does not require prior sponsor approval for research grants?



A. One-time No-cost extension (up to 12 months)

B. 25% reduction in Principle Investigator Effort

C. Change in Scope

D. Changing in Principal Investigator

Where in Uniform Guidance can you find information on what costs are allowable on federal awards?

A. Subpart C

B. Subpart D

C. Subpart E

D. Subpart F



Which entity serves as UW-Madison's Cognizant Federal Agency for our negotiated indirect cost rate agreement (NICRA)?

A. DHHS

B. NSF

C. DOD

D. DOJ



Which applications qualify for the NIH's continuous submission?

A. All NIH application

B. All R applications

C. R01, R21, and R34

D. R01, R21, and U01



"MTDC" in grant budgeting stands for what?

A. Maximum Total Direct Costs



B. Modified Total Direct Costs

C. Mandatory Total Direct Charges

D. Mean Total Direct Costs

What system is used to submit inventions and patents to the federal government?

A. iEdison

B. Reporter

C. MyNCBI

D. FedBizOpps.gov



Under NSF policy, participant support costs may **not** be used for:

A. Participant travel

B. Participant stipends

C. Speaker honoraria

D. Participant subsistence



What phase of clinical trial includes several hundred to thousands of participants and compares the new treatment to the standard of care and confirms efficacy and safety?

A. Phase I

B. Phase II

C. Phase III

D. Phase IV



Who is responsible for maintaining subrecipient records supporting expenditures on a federal award?

A. The sponsoring agency



B. The subrecipient institution

C. The prime recipient's internal audit office

D. The PI of the prime award

When is the annual NIH RPPR due for streamlined non-competing awards (SNAP)?



A. 45 days before the next budget period

B. 60 days before the next budget period

C. 45 days after the start of the next budget period

D. 60 days after the start of the next budget period

What is the deadline for a recipient submitting a financial report after the end of a federal award according to Uniform Guidance?

A. 30 days

B. 60 days

C. 90 days

D. 120 days



What human subjects exemption would a deceased participant be considered?



A. Does not fall under human subjects research

B. Does not qualify for an exemption

C. Exemption 4

D. Exemption 3

Under the Single Audit Act,
institutions expending more than
how much in federal funds annually
must undergo an audit?

A. \$500,000

B. \$750,000

C. \$1,000,000

D. \$1,500,000



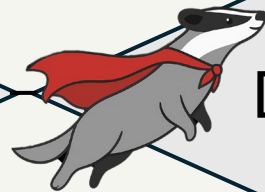
What is needed to for a study to be an NIH-defined clinical trial?

A. Human Participants

B. Study Drug or Supplement

C. Survey

D. Assigned Intervention



Under the Uniform Guidance, how long must financial and programmatic records related to a federal award generally be retained?

A. 2 years after final payment



B. 3 years from the date of submission of the final expenditure report

C. 5 years from award closeout

D. 7 years from the start of the project

Unless specified in the funding announcement, the current salary cap for the Department of Defense is:

A. \$300,000

B. The DHHS salary cap

C. There is no cap

D. \$240,000



A no-cost extension extends the:

A. Scope of work

B. Budget ceiling

C. Period of performance
without adding funding

D. Audit deadline



What biosafety level (BSL) covers agents associated with human diseases that pose a moderate health hazard, such as HIV?

A. BSL-1

B. BSL-2

C. BSL-3

D. BSL-4



What is the primary purpose of Uniform Guidance?

A. To regulate patent filings



To standardize federal grant management

C. To define peer review procedures

D. To establish journal impact factors

Which NIH contact should you reach out to about funding questions for your award?



A. Grants Management Specialist

B. Grants Finance Officer

C. Scientific Review Officer

D. Program Officer

What is the current Simplified Acquisition Threshold (SAT)?

A. \$250,000

B. \$750,000

C. \$100,000

D. \$350,000



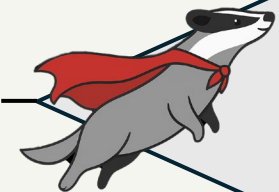
According to Uniform Guidance, what is the threshold for the purchase or fabrication of equipment to be considered capital equipment and subject to inventory and depreciation requirements?

A. \$5,000

B. \$7,500

C. \$10,000

D. \$15,000



Which of the following costs may be charged directly to a project only if explicitly justified and approved?

A. Lab supplies

B. Graduate student stipends

C. Clerical and administrative salaries

D. Participant support costs



What form of cost share is never allowable?

A. Salary and fringe

B. Unrecovered indirect costs

C. Alcohol



D. Costs unallowable per the funding announcement

According to the UW-Madison record retention policy, what is the minimum time that grant-related documents must be archived after final project close-out?

A. 1 Year

B. 3 Years

C. 6 Years

D. 10 Years



In federal awards administered by UW-Madison, when determining which rules apply, which document generally takes precedence?

A. UW-Madison processes

B. 2 CFR 200

C. Specific terms and conditions of the award

D. Sponsoring agency terms and conditions



What type of assistance award is initiated by the PI and has a flexible scope of work?

A. Cooperative Agreement



B. Grant

C. Contract

D. Other Transaction Authority

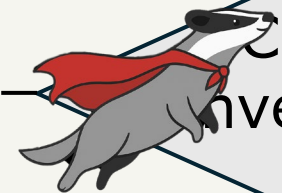
Under the Bayh-Dole Act, what do "march-in rights" allow the federal government to do?

A. Revoke a patent held by a university

B. Require public disclosure of proprietary data

C. License a federally funded invention to another party under specific conditions

D. Transfer ownership of intellectual property to the PI



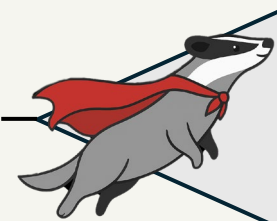
During an NIH Career Development Award, in what year is the PI encouraged to start applying for an R01.

A. Year 2

B. Year 3

C. Year 4

D. Year 5



Under Uniform Guidance, which of the following actions typically requires prior approval from the federal awarding agency?

A. Issuing a subaward

B. Purchasing office supplies for use in a research lab

C. Reallocating funds between budget categories within the approved scope

D. Submitting a final technical report after the award end date



What is the person or entity who is responsible for reporting on an Investigational New Drug (IND) to the FDA called?

A. Principal Investigator

B. IND Owner

C. Record of IND

D. Sponsor



In the development of an institution's Facilities and Administrative rate proposal, which of the following cost pools is typically excluded from the calculations of the Organized Research Base?

A. Departmental administration

B. Sponsored projects administration

C. Student services

D. Building depreciation



What agency oversees the Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare (OLAW)?

A. Centers of Disease Control and Prevention



National Institutes of Health

C. Animal and Plant Health Inspection Services

D. United States Department of Agriculture

According to the U.S. federal agencies, participation in a foreign government talent recruitment program from which of the following countries of concern may trigger heightened compliance scrutiny?



A. China, Russia, Iran and North Korea

B. Canada, Mexico, Venezuela, Cuba

C. Japan, South Korea, Australia, Vietnam

D. Mexico, Brazil, India, Turkey

Which of the following NIH mechanisms cannot use a modular budget?

A. K01

B. R01

C. U01

D. P01



What does the Fundamental Research Exclusion (FRE) allow?

A. Export of military equipment

B. Sharing of proprietary data

C. Unrestricted publication of research results

D. International shipment of lab supplies



When submitting a budget for an NIH transfer award, which budget limit must you adhere to?

A. \$250,000 direct costs per year

B. \$500,000 direct costs per year

C. Total costs of original budget

D. Direct costs of original budget



Which regulation governs all federal contract?

A. OMB Circular A-21

B. 2 CFR 200

C. FAR

D. DFARS



What is the latest an ARA request for direct costs exceeding \$500,000/year may be submitted to the NIH?

A. 4 Weeks

B. 6 Weeks

C. 8 Weeks

D. Submit with the proposal



The Uniform Guidance applies to:

A. All federal procurement contracts



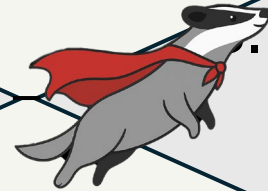
B. Federal grants and cooperative agreements

C. Only private foundation funding

D. Internal university grants

What does the Simplified Acquisition Threshold (SAT) represent in federal research administration?

A. The maximum salary a PI can earn



B. The dollar limit which federal purchases can follow SAT procedures

C. The minimum amount required to issue a subaward

D. The threshold for mandatory cost-sharing on federal grants

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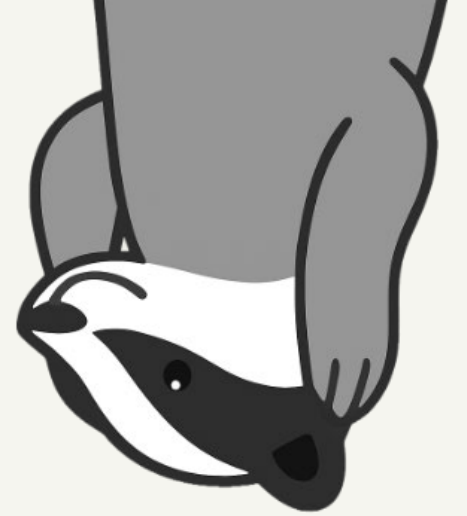
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