UCLA Office of Research Administration

Deans, Directors, Department Chairs, Administrative Officers

Dear Colleagues:

I am writing to remind you of long-standing grant submission requirements for reporting "Other Support."

On August 20, 2018, Dr. Francis Collins, Director, National Institutes of Health, issued a letter that described several concerns (PDF), including grantee failures to disclose substantial resource contributions from other organizations, such as foreign governments and foreign institutions of higher education, in grant applications. "Other Support" includes all sources of research funding.

To ensure compliance with federal funding application requirements, it is important to follow the instructions published by federal sponsors. For your convenience, you will find the NIH definition of Other Support here, and the NSF definition of Current and Pending Support below.

> **NIH:** "Other Support includes all financial resources, whether Federal, non-Federal, commercial or institutional, available in direct support of an individual's research endeavors, including but not limited to research grants, cooperative agreements, contracts, and/or institutional awards. Training awards, prizes, or gifts do not need to be included."

> **NSF:** Current and Pending Support is the support requested or available from all sources of project funding. The NSF Grant Proposal Guide Chapter II.C.2.h states that "All current project support from whatever source (e.g., Federal, State, local or foreign government agencies, public or private foundations, industrial or other commercial organizations, or internal funds allocated toward specific projects) must be listed. The proposed project and all other projects or activities requiring a portion of time of the PI and any other senior personnel must be included, even if they receive no salary support from the project(s)."

With heightened federal scrutiny and increasing concerns about this issue, it is more important than ever that we ensure the submission of accurate and complete information about project support to Federal sponsors. Please share this information with research faculty and administrators in your area. If you have questions about the policies or requirements for reporting Other Support, please contact your Office of Contract and Grant Administration representative.

Sincerely,

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