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The number of days in advance of a due date that the Department of Contracts and Grants would like to see your proposal.
What is three business days?
Expenditures USC incurs in support of its research activities that cannot be attributed to a specific research project.
What are indirect costs?
The office that assists in proposal development for centers, program projects or other large interdisciplinary proposals.
What is the DC Office of Research Advancement?
This type of proposal is also known as a competing continuation.
What is a renewal?
A sponsor requirement that obligates the university to bear a portion of total costs associated with an award.
What is mandatory cost sharing?
The Office responsible for overseeing cost transfers and closeout reporting.
What is Sponsored Projects Accounting (SPA)?
An organizational unit that charges for goods or services provided primarily to other internal university operations or units.
What is a recharge center?
The Office responsible for maintaining USC’s effort certification database and reporting system.
What is the Office of Financial Analysis (OFA)?
Rule that generally requires USC to use domestic carriers for travel charged to a research sponsor.
What is the Fly America Act?
This is a mechanism to move grant charges erroneously charged to the wrong sponsored project.
What is a cost transfer?
The total guaranteed USC salary set in advance and used for budgeting and charging sponsored awards.
What is Institutional Base Salary (IBS)?
True or False – Effort spent on proposal preparation for new or competing grant activity can be charged to a grant.
What is false?
True or False – Effort is calculated based on a 40 hour work week.
What is false?
$179,700
What is the NIH salary cap?
Salary above the NIH cap, alcohol, office supplies, and administrative and clerical salaries.
What are expenses that normally cannot be charged to a grant?
Falsification, fabrication, or plagiarism in the conduct of research.
What is research misconduct?
This document, adopted by the Board of Trustees in 2004, represents the university’s commitment to ethical behavior in all endeavors, including the conduct of research.
What is USC’s Code of Ethics?
Scenarios where a researcher’s outside financial or personal interests have the appearance of creating bias in the conduct or reporting of research.
What is a conflict of interest?
The office that oversees USC’s Human Subjects Protections Program, and ensures that human subjects research is conducted with the highest ethical standards.
What is the Office for Protection of Research Subjects (OPRS)?
True or False – All USC researchers must make an annual disclosure of outside financial interests.
What is false?
True or False –
Postdoctoral Research Associates can automatically act as Principal Investigators.
What is false?
This office coordinates the review process for institutionally limited external competitions.
What is the Office of Research?
A mechanism that allows for an investigator to incur costs on a research project before an award is made.
What is advance funding?
These laws regulate hardware, software, and technical data that may impact national security.
What are export controls?
Reasonable, allocable, and treated consistently.
What are the three criteria that must be met in order for a cost to be allowable?