MEMORANDUM

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Subject: Delayed Implementation of OMB Uniform Guidance Procurement Standards

Per the rule published in the Federal Register by the Management and Budget Office on 09/10/2015: [Universal Identifier and System of Award Management; Corrections], The University of CA – Riverside (UCR) will delay implementation of the new federal procurement standards found at 2 CFR Part 200, sections 200.318 et seq., until July 1, 2017. This guidance regarding the effective/applicability date has been revised to allow a grace period of two fiscal years for non-Federal entities to implement changes to their procurement policies and procedures in accordance with guidance on procurement standards.

UCR Procurement Services will continue to follow the federal procurement rules found in Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-110.

Located at 2 CFR 200, the OMB Uniform Guidance guidance supersedes and streamlines the following eight existing OMB Circulars:
• A-21 Cost Principles for Educational Institutions
• A-87 Cost Principles for State, Local and Indian Tribal Governments
• A-122 Cost Principles for Non-Profit Organizations
• A-110 Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Other Agreements with Institutions of Higher Education, Hospitals and Other Non-Profit Organizations
• A-102 Grants and Cooperative Agreements With State and Local Governments
• A-133 Audits of States, Local Governments and Non-Profit Organizations
• A-50 Audit Follow-up
• A-89 Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance

Uniform Guidance is a major reform of how the federal government provides assistance awards (e.g., grants and cooperative agreements) with the goal of increasing accountability and transparency while reducing the administrative burden on non-federal entities receiving federal awards.

Additional Information: UCOP – [Research Policy Analysis and Coordination - Uniform Guidance]