Effective June 17th, the following administrative flexibilities expired:

**Flexibility with application deadlines**
Agencies no longer have the flexibility to extend deadlines

**No Cost Extensions**
Agencies may no longer automatically extend awards. All NCEs will have to follow the normal process for approval

**Abbreviated Non-Competitive Continuation Requests**
Agencies will not accept abbreviated continuation requests

**Allowability of Costs not Normally Chargeable to Awards**
Costs related to the cancellation of events, travel, costs associated with pausing and restarting the award are no longer allowable
OMB Expired Administrative Flexibilities

Prior Approval Requirement Waivers
All prior approval requests must be submitted to the agency in advance and must be approved by the sponsor.

Extension of Financial, Performance, and Other Reporting
All financial, performance and other reports must be submitted on time (agencies are no longer authorized to allow delays).

Extension of Closeout
All closeouts must be submitted on time.
Agency Updates

AHRQ
NOT-HS-20-011
Effective immediately, all AHRQ applications must include a data management plan. Should be uploaded under the Resource Sharing Plan section of the grant application.

NSF Career Awards
ALL Career proposals deadline have been extended to August 11. This is one of our biggest deadlines each year. Submit early! Career awards will be reviewed in order of receipt. Submitting late to Pre-Award may mean the proposal cannot be submitted to NSF.
Agency Updates

NIH, AHRQ and NIOSH NOT-OD-20-123
One-page updates with preliminary data will be accepted as post-submission materials
Applies to applications submitted to the January 2021 council
(applications submitted for the May 25th deadline)
Must be submitted 30 days before the study section meeting

USDA NIFA and Capacity Funds
Salary cap limited to Executive Level IV (currently $166,500-12 month salary or $124,875-9 month salary)
Proposals may either use the salary cap or full salary
USDA may approve the use of the full salary with prior approval (to be requested at time of award)
New salary cap and information available on SPS website
Current Status
Greenphire Project is underway again! (on hold in 2019 and early 2020 due to the NSF Audit
Initial pilot on track to be completed this summer
May accept additional studies for pilot, contact Matt Cahill if you have interested faculty

Deployment
Plans for deployment will depend on the results of the pilot(s)
Anticipate a phased deployment to ensure any issues can be resolved/addressed timely
Post-Award Updates

Concur
FOs cannot upload additional documents after routing to SPS
In most cases, SPS will upload this documentation for you (to avoid rerouting)
In some cases, rerouting for approval may be necessary

Year End Updates and Reminders
Review continuation accounts
Cost transfers
Period 13

HR Guidance Regarding Pay and Telecommuting
Note that in accordance with the letter from HR dated 5/15/20, approval to continue pay for employees without using vacation, sick and/or health and personal leave accruals expires 6/30/20
Post-Award Updates

Program Income
Guidance now available covering requirements, methodologies and roles and responsibilities

Expenditures on Sponsored Awards
Guidance is being finalized covering over 40 categories of expenditures and when they are may be allowable on sponsored awards

Summer Effort Reports
SPS can generate a report of commitments for any given effort reporting period. This will help you plan in advance or identify when a commitment may need to be adjusted. Email Kristin Winot if you want this report
Departmental Effort Commitment Report

- Filterable Excel workbook
- Single Effort Reporting Period per tab, available for future periods
- For your School or Department
- Includes all awards for your employees (incl. those managed by other departments)

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Departmental Effort Commitment Report Fields

**Employee**
- Name
- Department
- Appointment Term

**Award**
- Managing Department
- InfoEd #
- Title
- Sponsor
- Start & End Date

**Commitment**
- Account Number
- Cost Share Commitment %
- Paid Commitment %