

REVISION OF THE NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION (NSF) AGENCY SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS TO THE RESEARCH TERMS AND CONDITIONS

EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 24, 2014

Effective February 24, 2014, awards made to organizations subject to 2 CFR (Code of Federal Regulations) Part 215 will incorporate by reference the *Research Terms & Conditions* dated June, 2011 and the *NSF Agency Specific Requirements* dated February, 2014. The *Research Terms & Conditions* will not be applied to NSF cooperative agreements or to NSF fellowship awards made to individuals.

Unless otherwise noted in a specific article, the *NSF Agency Specific Requirements* apply to all new NSF grants and funding amendments to existing NSF grants awarded on or after February 24, 2014.

A comprehensive summary of the changes is included below. Any questions regarding these changes may be directed to the Policy Office, Division of Institution and Award Support, on (703) 292-8243 or by e-mail to policy@nsf.gov.

Significant Change to the NSF Agency Specific Requirements to the Research Terms and Conditions, dated 02/14

• **Program Income, Article 30** is a new article that references NSF policy on program income and provides information on the annual program income reporting requirement.

<u>Clarifications and Other Changes to the NSF Agency Specific Requirements to the</u> <u>Research Terms and Conditions, dated 02/14</u>

- **Overall document** has been modified to incorporate minor editorial changes to either clarify or enhance the intended meaning of a sentence or section or ensure consistency with other NSF policy documents. Internal and external references also have been updated.
- **Expenditure Reports, Article 9** has been modified to omit references to the Federal Financial Report (FFR), given NSF's implementation of the Award Cash Management Service (ACM\$).
- Payment, Article 23 has been updated to acknowledge implementation of ACM\$.