OFFICE OF RESEARCH AND SPONSORED PROGRAMS POLICY



FFATA Policy

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PURPOSE OF POLICY

The Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act (FFATA or Transparency Act - P.L.109-282, as amended by section 6202(a) of P.L. 110-252) requires the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to maintain a single, searchable website that contains information on all Federal spending awards. That site is at http://www.USAspending.gov. Prime Recipients are required to report information on federal awards to Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act Subaward Reporting System (FSRS).

SCOPE OF POLICY

This policy apply to all University of Massachusetts Boston first-tier subawards (subgrants and subcontracts) related to prime Federal grants and contracts.

POLICY STATEMENT

As the Prime Grantee on Federal grants and contracts and on accepting federal sponsored awards, UMB will report as follows:

GRANTS

In accordance with 2 CFR Chapter 1, Part 170 REPORTING SUB-AWARD AND EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION INFORMATION, Prime Awardees awarded a federal grant are required to file a FFATA sub-award report by the end of the month following the month in which the prime awardee awards any sub-grant equal to or greater than \$25,000 and any modifications of \$25,000 (cumulative) thereafter.

CONTRACTS

In accordance with Federal Acquisition Regulation clause 52.204-10 (Reporting Executive Compensation and First-Tier Sub-contract Awards), Prime Contractors awarded a federal contract or order are required to file a FFATA sub-award report by the end of the month following the month in which the prime contractor awards any sub-contract greater than \$25,000 and any modifications of \$25,000 (cumulative) thereafter.

If the initial award is equal to or over \$25,000, reporting of subaward and executive compensation data is required. If the initial award is below \$25,000 but subsequent modifications result in a total award equal to or over \$25,000, the award will be subject to the reporting requirements, as of the date the award exceeds \$25,000. If the initial award equals or exceeds \$25,000 but funding is subsequently de-obligated such that the total subaward amount falls below \$25,000, the award continues to be subject to the reporting requirements of the Transparency Act.

DEFINITIONS

The Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act (FFATA) - The FFATA legislation requires that information on federal awards (federal financial assistance and expenditures) are made available to the public via a single, searchable website - www.USASpending.gov.

RELATED LINKS AND INFORMATION

FFATA Portal Federal Subaward Reporting System (FSRS) CCR Search Engine Page

REVIEW CYCLE

Fiscal Year