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RWJF Grants Management Overview Christine Phares, RWJF Grants Administrator Loretta I. Hoepfner, NPO Deputy Director Nurse Faculty Scholars Program Orientation Webinar for 2012 Finalists June 20, 2012

Topics for Discussion



- Role of the grants administrator
- Relationship between the Foundation and the National Program
 Office
- Reporting requirements
- Payment schedule
- Budget revisions
- Project extensions
- NPO-specific reporting requirements

- Monitor grants
- Ensure compliance with RWJF policies and reporting requirements
- Provide financial guidance and assistance
- Analyze and monitor reported expenses
- Review budget revision requests and extension requests
- Process payments
- Negotiate budgets during the application process

Relationship Between the NPO and RWJF



- NPO serves as a liaison between the grantee and RWJF
- NPO is your first point of contact
- NPO works with Grants Administrator for all financial and reporting matters
- All grant-related materials are submitted to the NPO at <u>rwjfnfs@jhu.edu</u> and to the Grants Administrator at <u>grantreports@rwjf.org</u> for review

NPO Reporting Requirements



Quarterly Narrative Reporting (QR)

- Use the template provided by the NPO
- Build on the template each quarter, adding but not deleting
- Submit an updated biosketch with each QR
- The NPO QR should be sent directly to: rwjfnfs@jhu.edu

Changes in scope of project

• Submit a 1-2 page document outlining any change in the scope of your research activities to the address email above



Annual Financial Report

- Account of expenses over the period of 12 months
- Due to the NPO and <u>grantreports@rwjf.org</u> 30 days after the annual budget period

Final Financial Report

- Account of expenses over the period of 12 months for the last year of the project
- Due to the NPO and <u>grantreports@rwjf.org</u> 30 days after the end of the grant period



- The initial payment represents one-third of the total award amount
- Future payments are based on the review and approval of your annual financial reports
- Payment amounts will vary depending on reported expenses



Annual Narrative Report

- Summary of annual program accomplishment
- Annual bibliography

Final Narrative Report

- Summary of programmatic activities for entire project period
- Final bibliography

Bibliography Requirements



Annual Bibliography

• A comprehensive catalog of products your project produced during the annual grant period

Final Bibliography

- Is a complete record of all products produced over the life of the project
- Copies of all products should be sent to the NPO and RWJF with your annual and final bibliography



When financial and/or program needs change, please request a budget revision following these instructions:

Using your approved budget, prepare an itemized budget with three columns showing:

- the currently approved line item budget
- the requested changes to each line item
- the proposed revised budget

Please include an explanation of the reason for the requested changes.

Budget revision requests must be reviewed and approved by the NPO and RWJF prior to implementation.

Extension Requests



RWJF's expectation is that you will be able to complete this research project within the awarded duration of 36 months. However, if unforeseen circumstances have caused a delay in completing this project, we would appreciate receiving an extension request and updated financial report. An extension of the award should be submitted during the last six months of the project.

- Provide a comprehensive explanation of why an extension of time is needed, the required duration, and a new timeline for the completion of the project
- Extension requests should be emailed to the NPO for review to be forwarded to the grants administrator
- Extension requests must be reviewed and approved by the NPO and RWJF prior to implementation



A contract is an agreement between the grantee and the contractor – RWJF is not a party to the contract.

- A contract must include the subcontractor's name, duration, dollar amount, a line item budget, and a description of the deliverables
- The dates of the contract must fall within the period of the grant
- A signed copy of the contract is reviewed by the NPO and RWJF
- Written acknowledgement will be sent to the grantee by RWJF



- Please reference the RWJF assigned grant number (5-digits) on all correspondence sent to the NPO and to grantreports@rwjf.org
- All RWJF emails are sent to the project director, the financial officer, and the NPO
- Payments letters (hard copy) are sent to the designated financial officer listed in the grantee proposal. An email is also sent prior to the letter
- All grant staff changes should be communicated to the NPO and RWJF in writing

Information Resources



Reporting instructions are displayed on the RWJF Website: www.rwjf.org/grantees/budgetreporting.jsp

Grantee Resources – Reporting Requirements

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