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SUBJECT: Change in Submission of Audits Conducted under OMB-Circular A-133 or 2 CFR Part 200, Subpart F

TO: All Program Participants

ISSUE

The purpose of this notice is to provide all program participants receiving grant funds with additional guidance relating to the change in single audits.

Uniform Guidance will affect audits for fiscal years beginning on or after December 26, 2014. Early implementation of the audit requirements in the *Uniform Guidance* is prohibited.

POLICY

OMB Circular A-133 (A-133) sets forth the standards for obtaining consistency and uniformity among Federal agencies with regard to audits of States, local governments, and non-profit organizations expending Federal awards. Previously, any non-profit organization expending \$500,000 or more of Federal funds (from one or more sources) in a year was required to have an audit conducted in accordance with A-133 for that year.

As of December 26, 2014, the total funding requirement has changed to \$750,000, i.e., any non-profit organization expending \$750,000 or more in Federal funds (from one or more sources) in a year is required to have an audit conducted. Organizations expending less than \$750,000 in federal awards in a year are exempt from the A-133 and 2 CFR Part 200, Subpart F, requirements.

Audits conducted in accordance with A-133 and 2 CFR Part 200, Subpart F, cover financial statements, internal controls and compliance with laws, regulations and agreement provisions applicable to the Federal award(s). The costs of audits conducted made in accordance with A-133 or 2 CFR Part 200, Subpart F, are generally allowable charges to Federal awards.

Audits conducted in accordance with A-133 or 2 CFR Part 200, Subpart F, supplement, but do not replace, the financial and compliance reviews conducted by FAS' Compliance Review Staff. FAS is no longer requiring that participants submit hard copies of their audits. However, such audits must be uploaded to the Federal Audit Clearinghouse at <https://harvester.census.gov/facweb/Default.aspx>.

This notice is effective immediately.

Please contact the Program Operations Division at 202-720-4327 if you have questions.

/s/

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