

Memorandum

To: University Research Community

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Subj.: Salary Limitation for NIH Grants, Cooperative Agreements and Contracts

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Since 1990 Congress has legislatively mandated a limitation on direct salary for individuals under NIH grant, cooperative agreement and contract awards (collectively referred to here as a NIH grants). The mandate appears in the annual appropriation act that provides authority for the NIH to incur obligations for a given Fiscal Year (FY).

The NIH released guidance earlier this month about their Fiscal Operations for the remainder of FY 2013 in light of the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2013 (P.L. 113-6), and the sequestration provisions of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act.

For FY 2013 the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2013 (P.L. 113-6), signed into law on March 26, 2013, continues to restrict the amount of direct salary to Executive Level II of the Federal Executive Pay scale. The Executive Level II salary is \$179,700.

The NIH 12 month appointment salary cap for applications submitted will continue to be \$179,700. The NIH salary cap for nine month appointments continues to be prorated to \$134,259.

For a historical record of the NIH salary cap, including effective dates, please see http://grants.nih.gov/grants/policy/salcap_summary.htm.

The NIH salary cap and other items of interest will be discussed at tomorrow's Quarterly Research Administrator's Meeting scheduled from 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM in the MARC Pavilion,

Additional information regarding the NIH salary cap, including FAQs, is available at <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-12-035.html>.

If you have any questions about this notice from the NIH then please contact your Division of Research Pre-Award representative (<http://research.fiu.edu/dor/pages/pre-award.html>) at 305-348-2494 for further assistance.