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**A MESSAGE FROM JEAN FELDMAN, HEAD POLICY OFFICE, NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION**

**"For Comment" version of the NSF Proposal & Award Policies & Procedures Guide published in the Federal Register**

Dear Colleagues:

NSF published a notice today in the [Federal Register](#) announcing the availability of a "For comment" draft of the *Proposal & Award Policies & Procedures Guide* (PAPPG). The Foundation is accepting comments from the external community until **cob February 12, 2021**. The draft PAPPG is available on the [Policy Office website](#). To facilitate review, revised text has been highlighted in yellow throughout the document and explanatory comments have been included in the margins, where appropriate.

This draft version will incorporate the revised 2 CFR §200: *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Award* that was effective November 12, 2020. It should be noted that we have not highlighted the revised references throughout the document. Please note that if there is a discrepancy between the current PAPPG (NSF 20-1) and the revised 2 CFR §200, the applicable NSF award conditions apply.

In addition, NSF also has released revised [Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQs\)](#) on Current and Pending Support. These FAQs are effective for proposals submitted in response to the current PAPPG (NSF 20-1).

Any questions should be directed to the Policy Office at [policy@nsf.gov](mailto:policy@nsf.gov).

We appreciate the research and education community's interest and look forward to your input.

Best,

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