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| Office of Management and Budget (OMB) | Deadline Extensions | • Sponsors may provide flexibility with regard to specific announcements as well as unsolicited applications. Agencies may list specific guidance on their websites.  
• Noncompetitive continuations, in the immediate term, can be requested via a brief statement from grantees to verify the institution is in a position to resume or restore their project activities and accept a planned continuation award. | No Cost Extensions (NCE) | Agencies can allow for NCEs for up to 12 months for active awards as of March 31, 2020, and scheduled to expire prior or up to December 31, 2020. |
| National Institutes of Health (NIH) | Deadline Extensions | "Institutions must maintain documentation of the effects and length of COVID-19 interruption to grantee operations."
• Late applications will be considered on a case-by-case basis.  
• Advanced permission to submit late applications is not required.  
• Late applications must include a cover letter with enough detail about the delay to make a determination as to whether circumstances justify accepting the application late.  
• Continue to check specific solicitations for updates. | Closeout | Closeout, reporting delays are allowed by notifying the assigned grants management specialist; this delay may not exceed one year.  
• Additional project period extension beyond the first NCE requires prior approval per the terms of the award. |
| National Institutes of Health (NIH) | Other Reporting Activities | • Late Research Progress Performance Reports (RPPR), financial reports and invention reports will be accepted by notifying the assigned grants management specialist.  
• Nonstreamlined Noncompeting Application Process (Non-SNAP) Award Flexibilities:  
• Carry forward unobligated balances on active grants for immediate efforts for charges that are allowable and in scope of the award.  
• An extension of the final budget period is allowed for a one-time period of up to 12 months by notifying the assigned grants management specialist. |
| National Science Foundation (NSF) | Deadline Extensions | • Late applications will be considered on a case-by-case basis.  
• Continue to check specific solicitations for updates.  
• Known Deadline Impacts: NSF Solicitations & Dear Colleague Letters (DCLs). Deadlines impacted (continue to check for updates):  
- NSF 20-383  
- NSF 20-384  
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- NSF 20-388  
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- NSF 20-394  
- NSF 20-396  
- NSF 20-398  
- NSF 20-400  
- NSF 20-420  
- NSF 20-440  
- NSF 20-441  
- NSF 20-544 | *NSF NOTIFICATION REQUIRED* | No Cost Extensions | • All NSF awards are automatically eligible for one-year, grantee-approved no cost extensions; further extensions must be approved by NSF.  
• Details regarding COVID-19 impacts to project schedule outside of one-time award extensions should be incorporated in annual progress report and discussed with the program officer, if applicable. |

**NSF NOTIFICATION REQUIRED**

*Salary Extensions*

- Awarding agencies may allow recipients to continue to charge salaries and benefits to currently active federal awards consistent with the recipient organization’s policy.

**Other Costs**

- Agencies may allow other costs necessary to resume award research activities, consistent with cost principles.
- Awarding agencies may waive the procurement requirements regarding geographical preferences and contracting small and minority businesses, women’s business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms.

**Costs Related to Project Activity Interruption or Cancelled Travel**

- Award recipients should maintain appropriate records and cost documentation to substantiate the charging of any salaries or other costs related to project activities, including cancellation or other fees related to interruption of operations or services.

**Pre-Award Costs**

- Pre-award costs are allowable for a period starting January 20, 2020, through the pandemic and prior to the date of a federal award.

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<td>Preapplications, letters of intent (LOIs) or full proposals can request an extension of up to 14 days.</td>
<td>Program officials are advised to provide flexibility with upcoming deadlines to the extent allowable.</td>
<td>Grants officials have been advised to be flexible in considering requests.</td>
<td>Maintain appropriate records and cost documentation to substantiate costs.</td>
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<td>Department of Defense (DOD) Response</td>
<td>Program officials are advised to provide flexibility with upcoming deadlines to the extent allowable.</td>
<td>Allows work activities include data analysis, preparation of articles and papers based on the research, monitoring subrecipients, care of research animals, direct charged administrative costs, etc.</td>
<td>Grants officials have been advised to be flexible in considering requests.</td>
<td>Salaries and benefits for work performed to meet the project activities (including travel) are allowable.</td>
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<td>United States Medical Research Acquisition Activity (USAMRAA) Response</td>
<td>There are currently no plans to modify existing application deadline dates.</td>
<td>Continue to monitor grants.gov for the most up-to-date information.</td>
<td>Grants officials have been advised to be flexible in considering requests.</td>
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**Deadline Extensions**

- Continue to check specific funding opportunity announcements (FOAs) for most up-to-date information.

**Reporting Activities**

- Progress reports for grants, cooperative agreements and interagency awards may be submitted as soon as practicable; delayed progress reports may cause delays in continuation funding.

**Rebudgeting**

- Cancellation of travel or change of meeting plans is not considered to be a "change in scope" requiring prior approval.

**All Costs**

- Grants officials have been advised to be flexible in considering requests.

**Other Costs**

- Continue to reference the Research Opportunities in Space and Earth Sciences — 2020 (ROSES — 2020) policy as requests for prior approval and the NASA prior approval matrix.

**Travel**

- Grants officials have been advised to be flexible in considering requests.

**Salaries**

- Salaries and benefits for work performed to meet the project activities (including travel) are allowable.
**COVID-19 Research Operations Update: Other Federal Agency Announcements**

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**Indirect Cost Rate Extensions**
- Awarding agencies may allow grantees to continue to use the currently approved indirect cost rates.
- Agencies may approve grantee requests for an extension on the use of current rates for one year without submission of an indirect cost proposal; may also approve grantee requests for an extension of the indirect cost rate proposal submission to finalize the current rates and establish future rates.

**Deadline Extensions**
- Application deadlines extended for Higher Education Challenge Grant Program, Beginning Farmer and Rancher Development Program, Agriculture and Food Research Initiative (AFRI), and AREERA.
- Other requests for permission to submit late should continue to follow existing policy by contacting the program contact in the Request for Application.

**Clinical Trial Guidance**
- Reference released guidance regarding research conduct during the COVID-19 pandemic.

**Contract/Contractor Performance Impacts**

**Update for Grantees**
- Reference OJP Grantee Update regarding the impacts of COVID-19 to grantees.

**Contract/Contractor Performance Impacts**
- Reference unclassified notice to all contractors regarding COVID-19.

**Contract/Contractor Performance Impacts**
- Reference FAQs to all contractors regarding COVID-19.

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**Single Audit Flexibility**
- Awarding agencies should allow grantees to delay the completion and submission of the Single Audit report up to twelve (12) months beyond the normal due date; grantee can still qualify as a “low-risk auditee.”

**SAM Registration**
- Active System for Award Management (SAM) registration at time of application is not required; active SAM registration is required at the time of award.
- Registrants with active registrations expiring before May 16, 2020, will be afforded a one-time extension of 60 days.