



**REVISION OF THE NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION (NSF)
COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT FINANCIAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE TERMS
AND CONDITIONS (CA-FATC)
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2010**

Effective October 1, 2010, new NSF cooperative agreements and funding amendments to existing NSF cooperative agreements will begin referencing and are subject to the *Cooperative Agreement Financial and Administrative Terms and Conditions (CA-FATC)* dated 10/10. The complete text of the CA-FATC (as well as other NSF grant policy issuances) is available electronically on the NSF website.¹ Except as noted below (and as reflected in each specific article), the CA-FATC apply to all new NSF cooperative agreements and funding increments on existing NSF cooperative agreements awarded on or after October 1, 2010.

The exceptions to the applicability of these *Cooperative Agreement Financial and Administrative Terms and Conditions* include:

- Article 18, which applies to new proposals submitted or due on or after January 4, 2010;
- Article 19, which applies to new cooperative agreements of \$25,000 or more awarded on or after October 1, 2010; and
- Article 20, which applies to new cooperative agreements awarded on or after October 1, 2010.

A comprehensive summary of the changes is included below. Any questions regarding these changes may be directed to the Policy Office, Division of Institution and Award Support, on (703) 292-8243 or by e-mail to policy@nsf.gov.

Significant Changes to the NSF Cooperative Agreement Financial and Administrative Terms and Conditions (CA-FATC) dated 10/10

- **Reporting Subawards and Executive Compensation, Article 19**, is a new Article which implements the award term specified in the OMB interim final guidance (September 14, 2010, 75 FR 22705). This Article requires recipients to report information regarding first-tier subawards in excess of \$25,000, and executive compensation information under those awards.
- **Central Contractor Registration and Universal Identifier Requirements, Article 20**, is a new Article which implements the award term specified in the OMB final guidance (September 14, 2010, 75 FR 22706). This Article requires recipients to maintain current Central Contractor Registration at all times when they have an active award with NSF. Recipients also may not make a subaward to an entity, unless the entity has provided its Dun & Bradstreet (DUNS) number to the recipient.

¹ The Policy Office website address is: <http://www.nsf.gov/bfa/dias/policy/>

Clarifications and Other Changes to the NSF Cooperative Agreement Financial and Administrative Terms and Conditions (CA-FATC), dated 10/10

- **Cost Sharing and Cost Sharing Records, Article 25**, includes language clarifying when cost sharing notifications are considered due and overdue.