Research Policy & Compliance

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Topics

- Implementation of NSF requirements for providing education in the Responsible Conduct of Research
- NIH Update on Requirements for Instruction in the Responsible Conduct of Research
Responsible Conduct of Research (RCR)

- Defined as the practice of scientific investigation with integrity
- Involves awareness and application of established ethical principles and established professional norms in activities related to scientific research
NSF - RCR Requirements

Requires training in RCR for all:
- Students (undergraduates and graduate), and
- Postdoctoral scholars supported by NSF research grants
NSF - RCR

- Effective January 4, 2010
- UCLA developing implementation plan
- Individual proposals DO NOT need to describe plan
- Institutional certification will be provided through proposal submission
- Content being developed by faculty committee
- More news later
NIH Update on Instruction in RCR

- Notice released November 24, 2009
  updates and clarifies previous NIH policy
- Effective January 25, 2010, for new and renewal applications
- Effective for all continuation applications as of January 1, 2011
- Applies to all training grants (institutional and individual), to career awards, and other grants with training components
NIH Update on Instruction in RCR

- Notice outlines principles, key concepts and best practices
- Individualized plans outlined in proposals will be evaluated and rated as acceptable or not
- Acceptable plans are expected to include some face to face instruction – on-line learning may be a component but is not sufficient to meet the requirements
- PIs will need to report on training in progress reports
- More news later