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I. Policy

All sponsored programs administered through a University of South Carolina foundation must be approved and follow the procedures established by the University Office of Sponsored Awards Management (SAM).

II. Procedure

A. Proposal Application

All proposals for sponsored programs will be submitted to the SAM using the standard proposal/award processing form and procedure. The decision as to whether the proposal will be submitted from the University or from a University foundation will be made by SAM.

B. Indirect Costs

1. Federally negotiated indirect cost (IDC) rates will be applied to all sponsored projects regardless of whether the proposal is routed through the University or a University foundation.

Current Federally-negotiated rates for proposals submitted from USC or the South Carolina Research Foundation are the same and may be viewed on the SAM homepage (<http://sam.research.sc.edu/idc.html>)

Departures from these negotiated rates will be considered only for those sponsors whose standard policy sets an upper limit on IDC that is lower than these rates. Any departures from the University's IDC rates will be negotiated by SAM.

2. The indirect cost accrued on programs conducted through a University foundation will be shared according to current USC policy as posted on the SAM homepage (http://sam.research.sc.edu/ppt/Indirect%20Cost%20Dollars%20Distribution_files/frame.htm)

C. Sponsor Negotiations

1. The University's standard contract template should be used with all industry/commercial sponsors.
2. In the event the sponsor wishes to use a different agreement or change the terms of the standard agreement, the negotiations with the sponsor will be conducted by SAM.

III. Reason for Revision

Policy organization, content, and accuracy reviewed in October 2013; no substantive revision required.