

## **Clarification of Eligibility of Federal Applicants for OHH External Grants Program**

The Office of Global Programs is clarifying a single sentence in Section III of the Full Announcement Text, Eligibility Information. Under Subsection A, Eligible Applicants, is the sentence: "Federal agencies or institutions are not eligible to receive Federal assistance under this notice." Further clarification follows.

Federal agencies or institutions are eligible and encouraged to participate in partnership with the applicant(s). However, such Federal agencies or institutions are not eligible to receive Federal assistance, directly or indirectly, under this notice for salaries and benefits of Civil Service personnel, for infrastructure, for maintenance and repair, for general and administrative expenses, for overheads, or for similar such expenses. They are eligible, though, to receive, indirectly but not directly, Federal assistance under this notice for contract scientific personnel (such as postdocs, students, interns, etc.), equipment (but not computers, monitors, servers, etc.), materials, and supplies. 'Indirectly' means that all expenditures and payments must be made directly by the funded institution of the applicant(s), and shipped or provided to the partnership Federal agencies or institutions. No funds are to be transferred, directly or indirectly, by the funded institution of the applicant(s) to the partnership Federal agencies or institutions.