

REVISION OF THE NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION (NSF) GRANT GENERAL CONDITIONS (GC-1)

EFFECTIVE October 22, 2018

Effective October 22, 2018, new NSF grants and funding amendments to existing NSF grants made to for-profit organizations (other than Small Business Innovation Research/Small Business Technology Transfer grantees) and State and local governments, will begin referencing and are subject to the <u>Grant General Conditions</u> (GC-1) dated 10/22/18.

Unless otherwise noted in a specific article, the *Grant General Conditions* apply to all new NSF grants and funding amendments to existing NSF grants awarded on or after October 22, 2018 to for-profit organizations (other than Small Business Innovation Research/Small Business Technology Transfer grantees) and State and local governments.

A 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, at <u>policy@nsf.gov</u>.

Significant Changes

- **Procurement Standards, Article 9.** This article has been updated in accordance with Section 806 of the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) for 2018, as implemented by Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Memorandum M-18-18, dated June 20, 2018, to raise the micro-purchase threshold for procurement activities for all types of grantee organizations to \$10,000.
- Notification Requirements Regarding Sexual Harassment, Other Forms of Harassment, or Sexual Assault, Article 46. This new term and condition implements NSF's policy regarding sexual harassment, other forms of harassment, or sexual Awardee organizations are required to notify assault. NSF of anv findings/determinations of sexual harassment, other forms of harassment, or sexual assault regarding an NSF funded PI or co-PI. Awardees also are required to notify NSF if the PI or co-PI is placed on administrative leave or if the awardee has imposed any administrative action on the PI or any co-PI relating to any finding/determination or an investigation of an alleged violation of awardee policies or codes of conduct, statutes, regulations, or executive orders relating to sexual harassment, other forms of harassment, or sexual assault. This term and condition specifies the procedures that will be followed by NSF upon receipt of a notification.