Movable Equipment Inventory Review

As many of you are aware, FY13 is the base year for Yale’s Facilities and Administrative (F&A) Rate Proposal. As such, it is imperative that the location of the equipment is accurate in the MEI system, and that all disposals and acquisitions are up-to-date. A focused review of 15 departments containing MEI with the highest depreciable volume will be performed this summer (not to be confused with the biennial inventory, which was completed in FY12). We request your assistance in ensuring that the equipment information is accurate and that any necessary changes are made by COB Friday July 19th (the June period 13 close).

Additionally, any movement of equipment from its location as recorded in the MEI system should be updated promptly to ensure that equipment is accurately tracked and updated in the system so that if selected for review during the F&A rate negotiations (expected to be in early calendar year 2015) it can be easily located.

Questions about this process can be directed to mei.admin@yale.edu.

Update: Procedure 1305 PR.04 – Unallowable Costs

Procedure 1305 PR.04, Unallowable Costs, has been modified. The modifications include the following:

- New links to Appendix A to 2 CFR Part 220 (OMB Circular A-21); and
- A table highlighting selected items of costs has been reintroduced to assist the community in determining the allowability of such costs either as a direct or F&A cost.

It is important to remember that when determining whether a cost is allowable, Section J. of Appendix A to 2 CFR Part 220, (General Provisions for Selected Items of Cost) must be reviewed for guidance, as well as University policy and procedure.

In addition, costs such as alcohol, fines, lobbying and alumni activities, that are unallowable for reimbursement under federal awards, must also be excluded from the F&A rate calculation. If assistance is needed in determining the correct unallowable expenditure type to use, consult the Procedure and/or contact Pauline Fagan at ext. 5-4954 or by emailing Pauline at pauline.fagan@yale.edu.
Information: Lobbying


The link to Dr. Rockey's blog is http://nexus.od.nih.gov/all/2013/05/24/nih-funds-and-lobbying-activities/