



Uniform Grant Guidance

On December 19, 2014, The United States Department of Education released the Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles and Audit Requirement for Federal Awards referred to as Uniform Grant Guidance (2 C.F.R. 200) which streamlines and consolidates government requirements for receiving and using federal awards so as to reduce administrative burden and improve outcomes. It was published in the Federal Register on December 19, 2014, and became effective for new and continuation awards issued on or after December 26, 2014.

Performance Measurement

Performance measurement is the ongoing monitoring and reporting of program accomplishments, particularly progress towards pre-established goals. It is typically conducted by program or agency management. Performance measures may address the type or level of program activities conducted (process), the direct products and services delivered by a program (outputs), and/or the results of those products and services (outcomes). A “program” may be any activity, project, function, or policy that has an identifiable purpose or set of objectives.--U.S. General Accounting Office (GAO)

§ 200.301 Performance Measurement.

- Recipient is required to relate financial data to performance accomplishments of the Federal award.
- Recipients must demonstrate cost effective practices.
- The recipient’s performance should be measured in a way that will help the Federal awarding agency and other non-Federal entities to improve program outcomes, share lessons learned, and spread the adoption of promising practices.
- The Federal awarding agency should provide recipients with clear performance goals, indicators, and milestones as described in § 200.210 Information contained in a Federal award.

§ 200.210. Performance reporting frequency and content should be established to not only allow the Federal awarding agency to understand the recipient progress but also to facilitate identification of promising practices among recipients and build the evidence upon which the Federal awarding agency’s program and performance decisions are made.