

Chico State Enterprises Announcements
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IMPORTANT NEWS FROM THE OMB: Administrative Relief for Recipients and Applicants of Federal Financial Assistance Directly Impacted by the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) due to Loss of Operations

The Office of Management and Budget has released [M-20-17](#), “*Administrative Relief for Recipients and Applicants of Federal Financial Assistance Directly Impacted by the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) due to Loss of Operations*”. The document expands on the previously issued guidance (M-20-11).

The document addresses additional flexibility to grant recipients performing essential research and services necessary to carry out the emergency response related to COVID-19. These flexibilities include:

- Application Deadlines
- Waiver of Notice of Funding Opportunities (NOFO) Publications
- No-cost extensions on expiring awards
- Abbreviated non-competitive continuation requests
- Allowability of salaries, project activities and costs not normally chargeable to Awards
- Exemption of certain procurement requirements
- Extension of Close-Out
- More

These exceptions will be issued by the federal sponsoring agency on a case-by-case basis. If you believe that any of the relief listed within the new guidance may apply to you, please contact the [Sponsored Project Analyst](#) under which your concern falls.

A link to the OMB memo and other federal guidance, as well as a repository for institutional guidance can be located on the [COGR website here](#).