OMB Guidance on CARES Act Funding

This note is to announce that OMB has approved the exception for the tribal, state and local governments to exclude the CARES Act funding direct cost recoveries in the indirect cost calculation requirements in accordance with 2 C.F.R. § 200.405(b), Allocable Costs.

Pursuant to its authority under 2 C.F.R. § 200.102(a), the Office of Management and Budget approves this request for tribal, state and local government recipients of CARES Act funding under the Treasury’s Coronavirus Relief Fund (CARES Act, P.L. No. 116-136, Division A, Title V (2020), codified at 42 U.S.C. § 801) that does not permit indirect cost recovery. In addition, such CARES Act funding should not be included toward the threshold amount for indirect cost submission required in 2 C.F.R. part 200, Appendix VII, paragraph D.1.b.

For additional information and instructions on the application of this exception, please check the Department of Interior and the Department of Health and Human Services websites or contact their point of contacts as shown below.

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