

# Award Closeout

## Checklist

### **Closeout Procedures and Time Line:**

It's a sound practice to begin preparations for close out 60-90 days prior to the project end date. During this time it's important to monitor the project timeline, follow-up with subcontractors (if applicable) to ensure that they are on target and monitor outstanding expenses.

The Principal Investigator/Project Director (PI/PD) can also determine if it would be necessary and reasonable to request a project extension from the sponsor. If the PI/PD foresees that a "No Cost Extension" or modification will be required, please contact the Office of Research and Outreach (ORO) as soon as possible.

### **90 days prior to end date:**

- Monitor account expenditures closely to forecast any budget concerns. Do not make purchases that can't be easily justified.
- Check invoicing requirements so that any purchases can be reconciled in a timely manner.
- Follow- Up with the subcontractors to ensure that they will be able to provide all deliverables as agreed.
- Draft technical final reports and modify as results are obtained.
- Work with the finance office to ensure that all cost share expenses are being reconciled and tracked accordingly

### **60 days prior to end date:**

- Perform all of the tasks outlined on the 90 day checklist above and;
- Internally audit the grant account to ensure that all expenditures are allowable, allocable and reasonable.
- Plan for the disposition, inventory or return of equipment that was purchased with the funding. Please check with the ORO to determine ownership if you are not certain.

### **30 days prior to end date:**

- Perform all of the tasks listed on the 90 and 60 day checklists above and;
- Close out any expenses that have encumbrances that will not be required.
- Ensure that any invention, patents and copyrights have been handled appropriately through the Office of Technology Transfer.

Close out any subcontract:

- 1.) Obtain the final invoices for each subcontract. The invoices must have current and cumulative totals, the subcontract number and certification of accuracy. Refer to this sample as a guide  
<http://www.research.psu.edu/osp/documents/subagreements/Sample%20Final%20Invoice.pdf>
- 2.) Certify technical completion by filling out the form linked below.  
<http://www.research.psu.edu/osp/documents/subagreements/subcert.pdf>
- 3.) Forward the invoices and certification forms to ORO for processing through the Office of Sponsored Programs.
- 4.) Once ORO communicates to the PI and budget assistant that these documents have been approved, the budget assistant can proceed with paying the final invoice.