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CUNY Research Community:

As you are likely aware, the [NIH announced](#) late Friday that effective this Monday (February 10, 2025) Facility and Administrative fees (often known as indirect costs) will be capped at 15%. This announcement is not expected to impact direct expenses and funds dedicated to grant activities. Thus, Principal Investigators (PIs) should continue conducting federally funded research and sponsored programs until they hear otherwise from CUNY and Campus leadership.

The potential impact on overall project recoveries is currently being examined and discussed by the CUNY, the RFCUNY and Campus leadership. Facility and Administrative fees [see explainer at RFCUNY website [RF CUNY - Understanding Indirect Costs \(Facilities & Administrative Costs\)](#)] support vital functions associated with our research efforts and our academic mission.

We will keep you updated on the developments regarding the NIH and the ever-evolving federal landscape. In addition to receiving direct communications from us, please also regularly review the information and updates on the [CUNY Office of Research](#) and [Research Foundation of CUNY](#) websites.

Thank you.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rosemarie D. Wesson".

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