# **COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES RATE AGREEMENT**

EIN: 63-0477348

**ORGANIZATION:** 

University of South Alabama

Office of the Vice President for Finance and Admin

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Date: 05/15/2025

FILING REF.: The preceding

agreement was dated

10/02/2020

The rates approved in this agreement are for use on grants, contracts and other agreements with the Federal Government, subject to the conditions in Section III.

#### **SECTION I: INDIRECT COST RATES RATE TYPES:** FIXED FINAL PROV. (PROVISIONAL) PRED. (PREDETERMINED) **EFFECTIVE PERIOD TYPE** FROM TO RATE(%) LOCATION APPLICABLE TO 10/01/2024 PRED. 09/30/2029 56.00 On-Campus Organized Research-Medicine PRED. 10/01/2024 09/30/2029 41.00 On-Campus Organized Research-Others PRED. 10/01/2024 09/30/2029 51.00 On-Campus Instruction PRED. 10/01/2024 09/30/2029 37.00 On-Campus **Other Sponsored Activities** PRED. 10/01/2024 09/30/2029 26.00 Off-Campus All Programs PROV. 10/01/2029 Until Amended Use same rates and conditions as those cited for fiscal year ending September 30, 2029.

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For awards beginning 09/30/2025 or before:

Modified total direct costs, consisting of all direct salaries and wages, applicable fringe benefits, materials and supplies, services, travel and up to the first \$25,000 of each subaward (regardless of the period of performance of the subawards under the award). Modified total direct costs shall exclude equipment, capital expenditures, charges for patient care, rental costs, tuition remission, scholarships and fellowships, participant support costs and the portion of each subaward in excess of \$25,000. Other items may only be excluded when necessary to avoid a serious inequity in the distribution of indirect costs, and with the approval of the cognizant agency for indirect costs.

For awards beginning 10/01/2025 or after:

Modified total direct costs, consisting of all direct salaries and wages, applicable fringe benefits, materials and supplies, services, travel and up to the first \$50,000 of each subaward (regardless of the period of performance of the subawards under the award). Modified total direct costs shall exclude equipment, capital expenditures, charges for patient care, rental costs, tuition remission, scholarships and fellowships, participant support costs and the portion of each subaward in excess of \$50,000. Other items may only be excluded when necessary to avoid a serious inequity in the distribution of indirect costs, and with the approval of the cognizant agency for indirect costs.

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# **SECTION II: SPECIAL REMARKS**

### TREATMENT OF FRINGE BENEFITS:

The fringe benefits are specifically identified to each employee and are charged individually as direct costs. The directly claimed fringe benefits are listed below.

# TREATMENT OF PAID ABSENCES:

Vacation, holiday, sick leave pay and other paid absences are included in salaries and wages and are claimed on grants, contracts and other agreements as part of the normal cost for salaries and wages. Separate claims are not made for the cost of these paid absences.

OFF-CAMPUS DEFINITION: The off-campus rate will apply for all activities: a) Performed in facilities not owned by the institution and where these facility costs are not included in the F&A pools; or b) Where rent is directly allocated/charged to the project(s). Grants or contracts will not be subject to more than one F&A cost rate. If more than 50% of a project is performed off-campus, the off-campus rate will apply to the entire project.

Fringe Benefits include: FICA, Retirement, Life Insurance, Hospital Insurance, Long-Term Disability, TIAA/CREF and Health Insurance.

The rates in this rate agreement were reviewed in compliance with the HHS and NIH Grants Policy Statement applying a Salary Rate Limit (SRP) to the indirect cost salaries and wages not exceeding the Executive Level II rate contained in the HHS Appropriations Act.

The next indirect cost proposal based on actual costs for the fiscal year ending 09/30/2028, is due by 03/31/2029.

Equipment means tangible personal property (including information technology systems) having a useful life of more than one year and a per-unit acquisition cost which equals or exceeds the lesser of the capitalization level established by the non-Federal entity for financial statement purposes, or \$5,000.

Effective 10/01/2025: Equipment means tangible personal property (including information technology systems) having a useful life of more than one year and a per-unit acquisition cost which equals or exceeds the lesser of the capitalization level established by the non-Federal entity for financial statement purposes, or \$10,000.

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## SECTION III: GENERAL

### A. <u>LIMITATIONS:</u>

The rates in this Agreement are subject to any statutory or administrative limitations and apply to a given grant, contract or other agreement only to the extent that funds are available. Acceptance of the rates is subject to the following conditions: (1) Only costs incurred by the organization were included in its facilities and administrative cost pools as finally accepted: such costs are legal obligations of the organization and are allowable under the governing cost principles; (2) The same costs that have been treated as facilities and administrative costs are not claimed as direct costs; (3) Similar types of costs have been accorded consistent accounting treatment; and (4) The information provided by the organization which was used to establish the rates is not later found to be materially incomplete or inaccurate by the Federal Government. In such situations the rate(s) would be subject to renegotiation at the discretion of the Federal Government.

#### B. ACCOUNTING CHANGES:

This Agreement is based on the accounting system purported by the organization to be in effect during the Agreement period. Changes to the method of accounting for costs which affect the amount of reimbursement resulting from the use of this Agreement require prior approval of the authorized representative of the cognizant agency. Such changes include, but are not limited to, changes in the charging of a particular type of cost from facilities and administrative to direct. Failure to obtain approval may result in cost disallowances.

#### C. FIXED RATES:

If a fixed rate is in this Agreement, it is based on an estimate of the costs for the period covered by the rate. When the actual costs for this period are determined, an adjustment will be made to a rate of a future year(s) to compensate for the difference between the costs used to establish the fixed rate and actual costs.

### D. USE BY OTHER FEDERAL AGENCIES:

The rates in this Agreement were approved in accordance with the authority in Title 2 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 200 (2 CFR 200), and should be applied to grants, contracts and other agreements covered by 2 CFR 200, subject to any limitations in A above. The organization may provide copies of the Agreement to other Federal Agencies to give them early notification of the Agreement.

### E. OTHER:

If any Federal contract, grant or other agreement is reimbursing facilities and administrative costs by a means other than the approved rate(s) in this Agreement, the organization should (1) credit such costs to the affected programs, and (2) apply the approved rate(s) to the appropriate base to identify the proper amount of facilities and administrative costs allocable to these programs.

BY THE INSTITUTION:	ON BEHALF OF THE GOVERNMENT:						
University of South Alabama	DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES						
(INSTITUTION)	(AGENCY)						
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4/6/25	05/15/2025						
(DATÉ)	(DATE)						
	HHS REPRESENTATIVE: Ernest Kinneer						
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# COMPONENTS OF PUBLISHED FACILITIES AND ADMINISTRATIVE RATES

INSTITUTION:

University of South Alabama

PERIOD COVERED BY RATE: 10/01/2024 - 09/30/2029

APPLICABLE TO:

	ORGANIZ ON CAMPUS	ORGANIZED RESEARCH - Medicine ON CAMPUS ON CAMPUS OFF CAMPUS			ORGANIZED RESEARCH - Other ON CAMPUS ON CAMPUS OFF CAMPUS		INSTRUCTION ON CAMPUS ON CAMPUS OFF CAMPUS			OTHER SPONSORED ACTIVITY ON CAMPUS ON CAMPUS OFF CAMPUS		
RATE COMPONENT:												
Building Depreciation	6.0			2.2			5.6			2.4		
Equipment Depreciation	4.5			1.2			0.6			0.4		
Interest	2.0			0.1			0.3			0.1		
Operation & Maintenance	16.0			10.3			9.7			6.7		
Library	1.5			1.2			8.8			1.4		
Administration	26.0	26.0	26.0	26.0	26.0	26.0	26.0	26.0	26.0	26.0	26.0	26.0
TOTAL	56.0	26.0	26.0	41.0	26.0	26.0	51.0	26.0	26.0	37.0	26.0	26.0

Reflects provisions of Appendix III to Part 200 of Uniform Guidance—Indirect (F&A) Costs Identification and Assignment, and Rate Determination for Institutions of Higher Education (IHEs), C.8. dated December 26, 2013.

#### CONCURRENCE:

University of South Alabama (Institution)