



# Faculty Workload Survey (FWS) II

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# FWS II Research Team

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- Data Collection support from Survey Sciences Group, LLC
  - Scott Crawford, SSG Executive Director
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# FWS II Purpose / Goal Refresher

- Purposes:
  - Assess
    - changes in burdens since FWS1
    - new burdens (e.g., ARRA)
  - Obtain more detailed information about specific burdens (e.g., IRB, IACUC)
- Goals:
  - To increase the likelihood of efficient and effective demonstration projects
  - Provide information to FDP, federal agencies, and universities to facilitate targeted reduction of administrative burden



# Current Timeline

- Questionnaire Key Dates
  - Sept. 23, 2011 → Questionnaire Finalized
  - Sept. 30, 2011 → Web-based survey programming
  - Oct. 1-15, 2011 → Task Force Pilot Testing/Review
  - October 15-30, 2011 → Web-based survey finalized
- School Commitments with PI List Provided
  - **Oct. 14, 2011** → Deadline for commitment with time to be included in the sample design stage
  - **Nov. 4, 2011** → Working deadline for commitment to participate in the study



# Current Timeline

- Sampling
  - Lists received by Oct. 14 will be used to determine final sample size and any stratifications necessary
  - Final sample selection (roughly 50-75% of all cases provided) will be completed in November



# Data Collection Timeline

| Date             | Day of Week | Effort                |
|------------------|-------------|-----------------------|
| Jan. 19-20, 2012 | Thursday    | Invitation Mailed     |
| Jan. 23, 2012    | Monday      | Email Invitation Sent |
| Jan. 27, 2012    | Friday      | Email Reminder #1     |
| Feb. 1, 2012     | Wednesday   | Email Reminder #2     |
| Feb. 6, 2012     | Monday      | Mailed reminder       |
| Feb. 14, 2012    | Tuesday     | Final Email Reminder  |

NOTE: Data Collection will close approx. March 1, 2012.



# FWS School Guide

- A guide has been distributed (Sept. 13) to provide a clear set of instructions on how a school participates, including:
  - Guidance on internal requirements (IRB or other approvals)
  - Guidance on securing faculty list and how to submit it to SSG



# FWS IRB Process

- The IRB at the University of South Florida has reviewed and approved the study protocol
- The USF IRB does not require any involvement from any other IRB
  - Schools do not need local IRB given their limited involvement
  - Schools that choose to complete IRB review will be provided with supporting documents
  - FDP Admin reps need to be ready to serve as primary liaison to obtain university permission to participate
  - FDP Faculty reps need to be ready to help if called upon to assist in obtaining university permission





# Faculty List Acquisition

- Providing your faculty list will secure your institution's participation
- Who should be in the list?
  - All University Personnel serving as Principal Investigators (PIs) on Federally Funded Research Projects (Grants and Contracts)
  - Active (including no cost extensions) grants and contracts during 2010-2011 Academic Year
  - No pass-through awards to state or other entities



# Faculty List Acquisition

- We are requesting
  - Required Items (Necessary to administer the study)
    - PI First and Last Name (separate fields)
    - Email
    - Mailing Address
  - Highly Recommended Items (For improved analysis and to assist in evaluating nonresponse bias)
    - Rank / Title
    - Department / Program
    - Gender / Ethnicity
  - Optional Items
    - Misc. other items to enhance contact information



# FWS II Task Force

## **Task Force:**

- Randy Brutkiewicz, Indiana University
- Don Denson, Emory University
- Kiri Ness, St. Jude Research Hospital
- Sara Rockwell, Yale University
- Joshua Rosenbloom, University of Kansas
- Sandra Schneider (Chair), University of South Florida
- Kelly Shaver, College of Charleston
- Jennifer Wisdom, Columbia University

## **Administrative Representatives:**

- Ron Splittgerber, Colorado State University
- Pamela Webb, University of Minnesota

## **Targeted Input from:**

- Research Compliance Subcommittee representatives
- Administrative Cost Working Group
- Other interested/expert representatives