



Research Project Support Costs Case Studies

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Purpose and Plans

- Charged with developing tools/resources for identifying RPSC
- Many Funders can't provide F and A percent “haircut”
- Draft examples of how Funders provide value that institutions can't get from NIH
- Will continue to solicit and compile examples
(send to dbovenkamp@brightfocus.org)

Cost Continuum

- Indirect Cost (not directly attributable)
= Utilities, Administration, Personnel, etc.

Gray Area In Between

= Research Projects Support Costs

- Direct Cost (completely attributable)
= Consumable Supplies, Materials, etc.

Example#1: “Capital Equipment”

- Dollar capitalization threshold
- Useful shelf life > 1 year
- Required for successful completion project
- Specific:
 - -80 Freezer
 - Patient samples/Clinical Trial



#2:IT Computing/Data Storage

- Data sharing may be required by funder
- Purchase of server for storage
- Salary for IT data cleanup/maintenance



#3: Computer network charges

- Online program for clinicians/healthcare professionals to enter patients' responses
- Creation of intra-site online connector



#4: Trial Participant Support Costs

- Parking
- Lyft/Uber
- Lunch expenses
- Fee reimbursement



#5: Facilities

- Project-specific rental of a surgical room
- Depend on type of rental arrangement in place at institution



#6: Administrative Salaries

- Depends on the type of award and project, requirements by the funder
- Tech transfer specialist
- Data entry
- Administrative assistant

#7: International

- Travel Costs/Travel Fellowships to International Scientific Conferences
- Non-US Citizens in US
- Non-US Citizens outside US
- NIH restrictions/unallowable



The Collection Continues...

- More Examples = Better
- Build a solid case study
- Please email dbovenkamp@brightfocus.org