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SUBJECT: National Security Policy Memorandum-33

[National Security Policy Mandate 33 \(NSPM-33\)](#) is a 2021 directive issued by the White House which has continued through President Biden's administration via [Executive Order 14028](#) and was further described in a 2022 White House [memo](#). This memorandum requires that federal research agencies standardize and strengthen disclosure requirements for entities and personnel (researchers) receiving federally funded awards. NSPM-33 also mandates the establishment of research security programs at research institutions that receive federal funds.

The University of Idaho Office for Research and Economic Development (ORED) and Office of Information Technology (OIT) partnered to implement changes necessary to comply with new federal requirements. Your cooperation is appreciated as we implement the disclosure, training and cybersecurity changes required to meet objectives.

The research security program has four primary elements:

- Cybersecurity
- Foreign travel security
- Research security training
- Export control training

The disclosure process and requirements standardization goal is to have a single disclosure form and standard that would be used across the various federal agencies (with the hope that one form would be adopted by all agencies). The disclosure process is often referred to as current and pending (C&P) support or other support reporting.

- The Office of Sponsored Programs (OSP) recently released information on National Science Foundation and National Institutes of Health C&P policy requirements. Find details in the Sponsor Specific Information section of the [Sponsored Project Compliance webpage](#).

Please keep in mind that these processes and requirements are continually changing, and we are doing our best to keep up with them so that we can continue to submit and administer federally funded projects.

ORED and OIT will keep the research community apprised of progress toward these goals and provide detailed information as agencies release their own specific standards for NSPM-33 compliance. Both ORED and OIT will release websites with additional details soon.

Beginning in June, U of I will be able to submit proposals responsive to federal request for production of documents (RFPs) that have these enhanced research security program standards.

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