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**CUMG and VA and Salary Cap Cost Sharing**

Two new articles have been added to the FEC website.

[**CUMG**](http://f2.washington.edu/fm/maa/node/165) **–** Children’s University Medical Group (CUMG) salary, unlike University of Washington Physicians (UWP), includes benefits. As such it is necessary to put CUMG into the full time rate in HEPPS/OPUS. This results in faculty appearing with an FTE less than 100% and those faculty members who have grants subject to salary cap restrictions appearing with overstated salary cap cost sharing. Instructions on adjusting the FEC for these faculty members is included on the new webpage

[**VA**](http://f2.washington.edu/fm/maa/sites/default/files/fec/Salary%20Cap%20Cost%20Share%20for%20UW-VA.pdf) **-** University of Washington will no longer require faculty with salary paid directly by Veteran’s Administration (VA) to prorate their UW Institutional Base Salary (IBS) for determining if they exceed the NIH salary cap provided they have a fulltime appointment at the University. Faculty having less than a fulltime appointment with the UW will be required to prorate their University IBS to determine if they exceed the salary cap. Additional information and examples are included on the new webpage.

**Want to have input into the next phases of eFECS?**

 eFECS is currently conducting a discovery phase designed to identify potential features for future development. Categories for this planning phase include cost sharing, effort reporting and addition of views designed to enhance decision making. eFECS needs input on the business value and prioritization of these features from the campus perspective. Two one-hour campus feedback sessions are planned –

* Friday, November 30, 1:30 – 2:30, UW Tower Auditorium, 4th floor
* Tuesday, December 4, 10:00 – 11:00, Electrical Engineering Building, room 403

To maximize our planning efforts, please RSVP to efecs@uw.edu by Wednesday, November 28, 2012

**Training Opportunities for December**

**Grant and Contract Certification Reports** - MAA will present “An Introduction to Grant and Contract Certification Reports (GCCR)” on December 12, 2012. GCCRs are used for tracking and certifying non faculty salaries and effort. This class provides participants new to GCCR reporting with the basic tools necessary to understand and monitor the Grant and Contract Certification process. We will cover some basic compliance requirements and discuss how to review and make changes to the GCCR. Sign up for this class: <http://www.washington.edu/research/index.php?page=ospLearning>

**eLearning Opportunities –** Is it hard to get time away to attend a class? Check out these eLearning possibilities.

[Introduction to eFECS](http://f2.washington.edu/fm/efecs/train/elrning/Intro): Provides FEC Coordinators and Department Administrators with a comprehensive demonstration of the certification process using the eFECS application.

[ASTRA for eFECS](http://f2.washington.edu/fm/efecs/train/elrning/ASTRAelrn): Provides authorizers an overview of the 3 ASTRA roles applicable to users of eFECS.

[Cost Share Adjustments and the FEC](https://f2.washington.edu/fm/efecs/train/elrning/elrnCS): Introduces cost share adjustments necessary to reflect the actual effort performed and provides awareness for the most common types of cost share adjustments.

[The eFECS Process and Certifying Your Effort Using eFECS](http://f2.washington.edu/fm/efecs/train/elrning/HTC): an introduction to why and when FECs are necessary, including instructions for certifying effort and basic eFECS navigation tips.

Questions: efecs@u.washington.edu

Current and prior newsletters are on the FEC website: <http://f2.washington.edu/fm/maa/fec/letters>