

Below are a summary and key takeaways from the subject presentation given at the 2017 Large Facilities Workshop.

Management Fee to Fee

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Description: NSF provided an overview of the proposed new fee policy for large facilities. NSF developed and implemented its current fee policy in response to the OIG and Congressional concerns and to address the NAPA recommendations. NSF found that certain expenses could not be effectively met through indirect cost or contingency and eliminating these expenses would place our large facility awardees at a significant disadvantage. However, there are very few policies regarding fee on assistance awards elsewhere in the government, so NSF had to develop and implement its own policy on fee that included appropriate negotiating and oversight of fee. NSF will adopt fee-types consistent with those typically provided in government contracting, with additional guidelines to awardees including examples of inappropriate uses of fee. NSF is revising procedures and will provide additional outreach and address timing for roll out of the new policy.