

Notice of Increases to the Simplified Acquisition and Micro-purchase Thresholds by the Office of Management and Budget

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Purpose

The purpose of this notice is to notify the extramural research community that on June 20, 2018, the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) issued a [memorandum](#) raising the threshold for micro-purchases under Federal financial assistance awards to \$10,000, and the threshold for simplified acquisitions to \$250,000 for all recipients. Further, the memo implements an approval process for certain institutions that wish to request micro-purchase thresholds higher than \$10,000. These updates are being made in accordance with statutory changes set forth in the National Defense Authorization Acts (NDAA) for Fiscal Years 2017 ([PL 114-328](#)) and 2018 ([PL 115-91](#)).

As directed by OMB, NIH is updating its policy to reflect the new thresholds. This change is effective immediately for all NIH recipients. If purchases were made using the higher thresholds prior to this notice, NIH will support the charges in accordance with the OMB memo.

Revisions to the Federal Acquisition Regulation at 48 C.F.R. Subpart 2.1 and the Uniform Guidance, 2 C.F.R. 200, are forthcoming.

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