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- Applicants receiving federal funds are required to follow federal policies guided by the federal laws
- [Common policy requirements](#) for all awards is available
- This is not an exhaustive list and there might be additional requirements in your terms and conditions

# Regulatory Approvals

- Use of Humans and Animals in projects **requires** documentation from appropriate authorities
- Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC)
  - Animals
    - Verification of IACUC approval is needed for all research involving live vertebrate animals
- Institutional Review Board
  - Humans

- NIFA does not provide these approvals
- NIFA will require the appropriate documentation for processing awards

# Responsible Party

- **Applicant** is responsible to get the necessary approvals
- Your institution has appropriate committees to provide these services
- If not associated with an institution, there might be local/state agencies providing these services
- Getting approval can be a length process- contact your institution for time estimates
- You may be able to submit your application to NIFA with approval pending status but if recommended for funding, your award will be delayed for lack of authorizing documents
- If any exemption applies to you, the documents from authorizing committees/agencies should be provided to NIFA

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