# Grant Management from the Department Perspective

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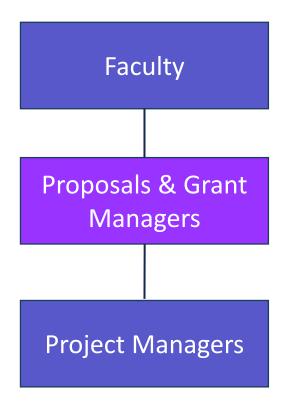
# **Overview**





# **Carolina Population Center**



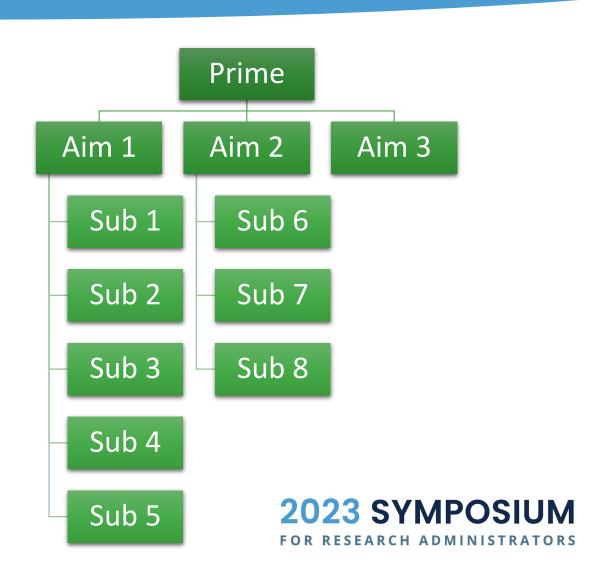






#### **Grant Structure**

- \$30.5 million budget
- Three separate budgets
- 8 subcontracts (foreign)
- 30+ personnel
- Reports to foundation due every three months



# **Division of Tasks**



# **Normal Project Task Distribution**

Research Admin

**Subcontracts** 

Maintaining account file(s)

Personnel effort shifts

Communicate with OSP

Invoicing

Compliance

Both

Budgeting

Reports

Purchases

**Project Manager** 

Communicate w/project team

Communicate w/subcontracts



### **Current Project**

**Keywords: Flexibility; Common Sense; Organization** 

#### Lexie

Compliance

Maintaining account file/budget

**Personnel Shifts** 

Communicate w/admin team

Work with OSP (SPS)

#### Both

Budgeting

Communicate w/PI

Comm w/Foundation

Reports

Subcontracts

Purchases

Compliance

#### Bridget

Communicate w/project team

Communicate w/subcontracts

Subcontract setup and amendments





# **Tools**





# **Consistent Open Communication**



Email, Teams (chat & meetings), Zoom, In-Person Cube visits

Different forms for different purposes and audiences



**Use Teams for file sharing** 



Regular Meetings (virtual and in person)



**Action Items** 

What needs to be done, Who is doing xyz, When is it due, When is the next meeting



**Ask Questions!** 





#### **Be Proactive**

- Keep calendar updated far in advance
- Plan upcoming activities
  - Communicate about what's upcoming, timelines

#### ...yet remain Flexible

- Change is Constant
- Approach problems like puzzles
- All on the same team





# Looking to the Future

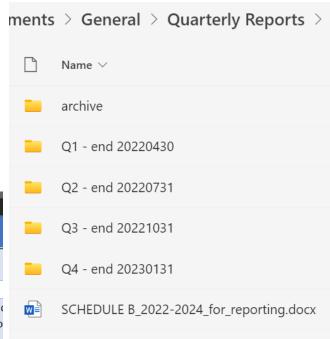




# **Aim for Continuous Improvement**

- Seek ways to be more efficient
- Set up organization systems, status tracking
  - File Sharing

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Country /		Details	Status	Cost	Extra
Partner *	2	<b>▼</b>	_	_	
SA-UWC	2021	Deliverable #Y6_2: Manage FOP taskforce and continued engagement with DoH around regulation FOPL and marketing to children	Paid	\$110,194	Complete 1Nov2021; Invoice rec'd 10Nov2021
SA-UWC	2021	Deliverable #Y6 3: EAC2020: Attend the EAC and Global obesity partners	Paid	\$11,765	Complete 14Oct2021; Invoice rec'd 10Nov2021
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SA-UWC	2021	Deliverable #Y6_4: Interactions and trip to UNC in 2021	PAID BUT	\$27,531	Complete 1Nov2021 - only portion completed
			ONLY		to travel restrictions (Tamryn trip to UNC, no o
			\$7,531		trips completed); Invoice rec'd 10Nov2021
SA-UWC	2021	Deliverable #Y6_5: Attend SA Strategic meeting planning for 2021 and	Paid	\$6,672	Complete 1Nov2021; Invoice rec'd 10Nov2021
SA-UWC	2021	Deliverable #Y6_6: Baseline survey instruments and related ethics	Cancelled	\$143,593	schools remained closed, activity cancelled
		approvals for evaluation of impact of FOPL (Schoolchildren)			
SA-UWC	2021	Deliverable #Y6_7: Baseline survey to monitor marketing to children on	Paid	\$26,648	Complete 24Jan2022; Invoice rec'd 24Jan2022
		television, YouTube, Social media			







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- Seek ways to be more efficient
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  - File Sharing
- Use requirements and reporting as opportunities
- Lessons Learned?
  - O Write them down!
  - o Share them!





# Questions?





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