October 6, 2009

To: Vice Chancellors, Deans, Directors, Department Heads and Principal Investigators

Subject: Fringe Benefit Rates Applied to Sponsored Projects Fiscal Year 2009-2010.

The University has been recently notified by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) that two new fringe benefit rates have been approved. Pursuant to our negotiation with DHHS and in accordance with the requirements stipulated in Office of Management and Budget Circular A-21, "Cost Principles for Educational Institutions, the new rates will be effective retroactively from July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010.

The rates are:
- Regular Employees - 32%
- Intermittent Wage Employees - 8.2% (Adjunct faculty, post-doctoral researchers and graduate students do not fall into this classification)

The new rates must apply to both new and existing projects and must also be applied to requests for supplemental funding to existing awards and to all expired fixed price agreements.

UNO is required to submit a Fringe Benefit Rate Proposal to DHHS on an annual basis. Accordingly, on July 1, of each fiscal year, you may expect a change in the rates applicable to sponsored programs.

If clarification or additional information is needed, please contact David Muscarello, Director of Sponsored Programs Accounting (280-3307); or Maria Rivero (280-5561).

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