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• Duke University expects all employees to assist in maintaining a compliant environment
• The university requires all employees to help by
  – Assisting in correcting non-compliant practices
  – Advising others of non-compliant behavior and/or practices
  – Reporting serious fraudulent non-compliance to the proper office(s)
• This includes reporting instances of financial non-compliance in accordance with Federal regulations and Duke University policies and procedures.
• Duke University views non-compliance in two ways:
  – Non-fraudulent behavior
  – Fraudulent behavior
Addressing Non-Fraudulent Compliance Issues

- As non-fraudulent financial compliance questions arise, each employee has the responsibility to investigate and explore the right thing to do according to sponsor and University requirements.
- This means:
  - Understanding the correct rule/regulation
  - Advising others on these issues
  - Assisting others in correcting non-compliant practice
  - Reporting continued non-compliant practice to a supervisor or appropriate university office
- You will need to use your own discretion depending on:
  - The issue
  - Your role
  - Your relationship with members of your department
- Doing nothing about a non-compliant situation is not acceptable
Addressing Non-Fraudulent Compliance Issues

• Resources available to you include:
  – Sponsor regulations
  – University policies and procedures
  – Training classes
  – Duke University Medical Center Compliance Integrity Hotline: (800) 826-8109 (Calls to Hotline can be anonymous)
  – The network of informed individuals with whom you work, such as the PI, Departmental or Research Administrator, Business Manager, Management Center, Chair, or Dean
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As an alternative, if a question remains unresolved or if you are uncomfortable using the above resources, the Office of Sponsored Programs (OSP) is available to assist you.

You may contact OSP at 684-5442; or
Send an e-mail to the OSP Associate Directors:
• Mary Johnson
• Heather Quadlin
• Sandy Hart
Fraudulent Compliance Issues

- Instances of possible fraud must be reported to the Duke University Compliance and Fraud Hotline (800-849-9793) regardless of the value involved. For more information, visit the Compliance Web site.
- Reports will be investigated and appropriate action will be taken.
- Calls will not be traced.
- Calls to Hotline can be anonymous.
- Callers can identify themselves if they need to give further information about a situation.
- If callers choose to identify themselves, their confidentiality will be protected to the extent permitted by law.
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If it is feasible or appropriate, you may also want to notify the Office of Sponsored Programs (OSP), Principal Investigator (PI), Department Administrator, Business Manager, Chair, and/or Dean.
Duke Policy on Reporting Fraud

- Duke has a Compliance Reporting and Non-Retaliation and Non-Retribution policy.
- The policy ensures that no one will be subject to any adverse action just because they report what they honestly believe is a compliance violation.
- However, if Duke determines that someone purposely made up, exaggerated, or otherwise distorted a report of wrongdoing - whether to protect themselves or to hurt someone else - that person will NOT be protected under the policy.
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Compliance Monitoring

• **Research Costing Compliance**
  - Monitors compliance by testing research transactions, integrates compliance monitoring with training, and provides remediation and assistance in corrective actions
  - You may contact RCC at (919) 668-0275

• **Office of Internal Audits**
  - Perform audits of schools the scope and subject are based on risk self assessments consider identified compliance risks
  - Duke University Compliance Program provides oversight for compliance activities across the entire university