

Creighton University
LB692 Nebraska Tobacco Settlement
Biomedical Research Development Program
EXPENDITURE GUIDELINES

I. Introduction

The State of Nebraska established LB692 with funding received through Nebraska's Tobacco Settlement agreement. Funds allocated to each institution are based on the percentage of prior year expenditures on National Institutes of Health (NIH) grant awards. Creighton University created the Biomedical Research Development Program to distribute its share of the annual LB692 funds. A proposed project must have potential to generate future NIH awards to receive funding from Creighton University's LB692 allotment. The application guidelines are intended to mirror the PHS398 guidelines; therefore, the following expenditure guidelines are based primarily on the NIH Grants Policy Statement.

II. Changes in Project Budget

In general, awardees are expected to stay within the originally proposed and approved project budget. However, a certain degree of rebudgeting is allowed to meet unanticipated needs of the project. In some cases, prior approval will be required before an awardee makes certain budget modifications or undertakes particular activities. *A written request to the Associate Vice Provost for Research and Scholarship is required to obtain prior approval.*

Budget changes requiring prior approval are outlined below:

- Increase to the originally approved travel budget.
- Increase to the computer equipment or capital equipment budget.
- Increase/decrease in effort of 25% or more for any key personnel.
- A significant rebudgeting request when expenditures in a single direct cost budget category deviate (increase or decrease) from the originally approved budget category by more than 25% of the total costs awarded.
- Budget changes that may be perceived as a change in scope of the project.

III. Carryforward of Unexpended Award

LB692 Nebraska Tobacco Settlement Funds are administered through the State of Nebraska on a biennial basis, therefore, not all award years will be allowed carryforward dollars. It is best to plan your research accordingly with the assumption that **no** carryforward will be allowed from year to year.

IV. Transfer of LB692 Award

LB692 Nebraska Tobacco Settlement Awards are not eligible to be transferred to another applicant organization. All equipment and remaining supplies purchased from LB692 Nebraska Tobacco Settlement funds will remain the property of Creighton University.

V. Acknowledgement of Funding

Any publication, presentation, or other product of LB692 Nebraska Tobacco Settlement Awards funding must include the following acknowledgement statement:

"This (publication/journal article/etc.) is supported in whole or in part with the funds received under Nebraska Laws 2021, LB 380, Section 109 awarded to (name of principal investigator, name of institution) through the Nebraska Department of Health & Human Services (DHHS). Its contents represent the view(s) of the author(s) and do not necessarily represent the official views of the State of Nebraska or DHHS."