



## UCSF Policy on Tobacco Industry Funding of Research

As announced previously, the Regents adopted a new policy last fall requiring that proposals requesting research support from the tobacco industry undergo review by the campus and be approved by the Chancellor.

The Regental Resolution (RE-89) requires each UC campus to establish a process for ensuring that any proposal submitted to a company whose primary business is the manufacture and sale of tobacco products, or any agency that is substantially controlled or acting on behalf of a tobacco company, must first undergo scientific peer review. RE-89 establishes guidelines for establishment of the review committees, outlines the way in which the review is to be conducted, and requires that the Committee outline its recommendations in a written report to the Chancellor. Further, RE-89 also requires that the Chancellor provide the researcher, the UC President, and The Regents with a written determination approving or disapproving the request to submit the proposal. No proposal may be submitted to a tobacco company absent this review and written approval.

Accordingly, at UCSF, no request for research support can be submitted to a tobacco company unless the Principal Investigator has received a project-specific written determination of approval from the Chancellor. Given the time it will take to conduct the required internal review and make appropriate determinations, it is important that anyone who is contemplating submission of a research proposal to a tobacco company review the campus policy and procedure carefully in order to facilitate timely completion of the review process.

The text of the Regental Resolution as adopted is available at:

[http://www.ucop.edu/research/policies/documents/review\\_approval\\_re89.pdf](http://www.ucop.edu/research/policies/documents/review_approval_re89.pdf)

If you have any immediate questions about the campus policy, or need assistance in determining whether a specific company is, or is not, considered to be part of the "tobacco industry" for the purpose of the Regental policy, please contact Interim AVC for Research Wanda Ellison Crockett at 514-0266 or [wanda.ellisoncrockett@ucsf.edu](mailto:wanda.ellisoncrockett@ucsf.edu), or Joan Kaiser, Contracts & Grants Director at 476-8156 or [joan.kaiser@ucsf.edu](mailto:joan.kaiser@ucsf.edu).

To view UCSF policy and cover letter online, see:

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