

Adoption of the Award Management Policy

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Background

The Grants Administration Policy is a set of regulations that govern the management of CIRM Awards.

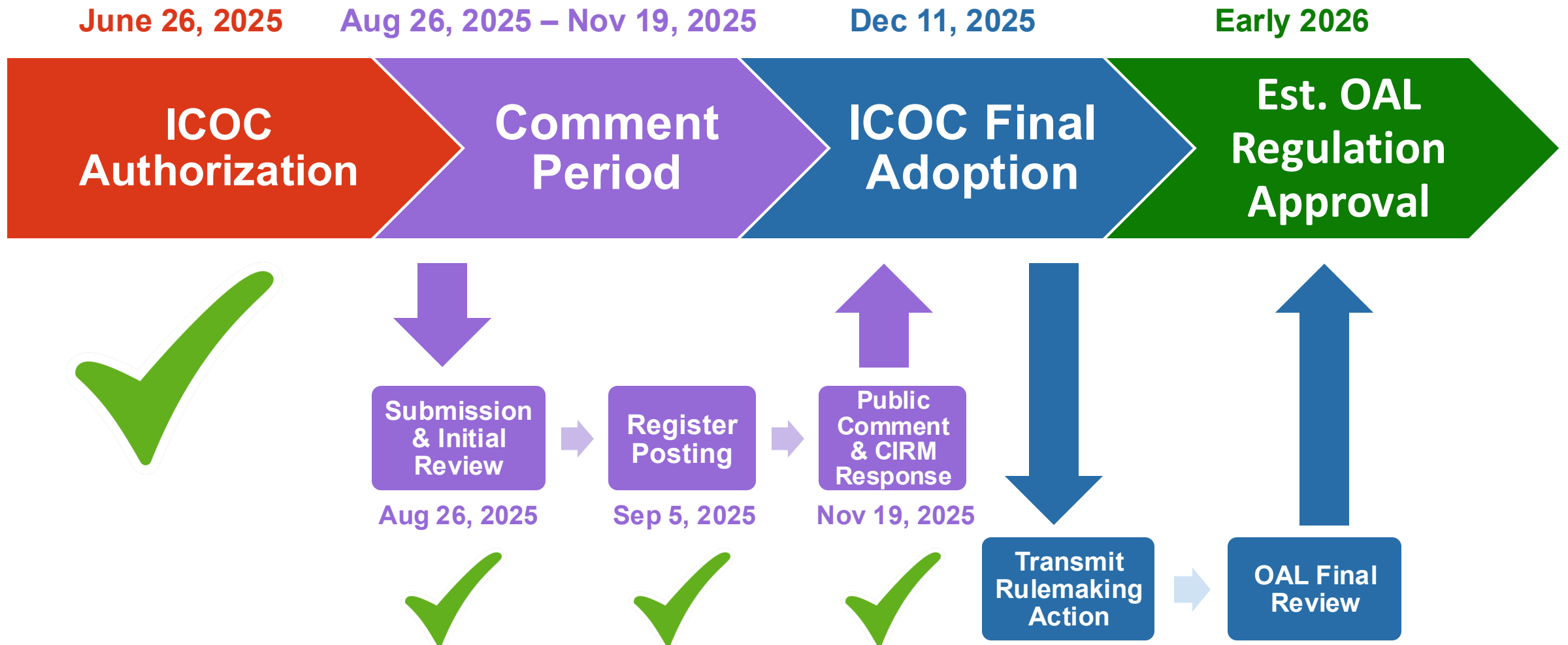
- 2006 – ICOC adopted the first Grants Administration Policy
- 2008 – ICOC adopted the Grants Administration Policy for Facilities & Equipment Grants
- 2016 – ICOC adopted the current active Grants Administration Policies
 - Grants Administration Policy for Clinical Trial Stage Projects
 - Grants Administration Policy for Discovery, Translation, and Education
- The ICOC directed staff to initiate formal APA rulemaking to adopt a unified Award Management Policy aligned with the Strategic Allocation Framework (June 2025)

CIRM must follow the California Office of Administrative Law process for creating any new regulation.

Summary

- Shifting from current use of 3 GAPs to one unified all-encompassing policy
 - High level policy that removes distinctions by program, organization type, or facilities components
 - Offers consistency and adaptability as the SAF is operationalized
- Maintains the chronological organization of the grant-making process
- Removes duplicative reference to other policies
- Adds in new elements of Proposition 14 era of CIRM
- Streamlines language choice and definitions
- User-friendly, clear, enforceable and timeless
- Renames to Award Management Policy (AMP)

Process & Timeline Update



Key Revisions

Effective Date

The AMP will apply to currently active Awards six months after the regulation becomes effective (following OAL approval), providing an orderly transition for Awardees.

Limitation of CIRM Liability

Inserted language requiring that an Awardee ensures that subcontractors or subrecipients agree to indemnify CIRM to the same extent as the Awardee. Language updated to allow an Institution to provide equivalent protection under a self-insurance structure if an Institution is not insured under a commercial policy, provided the Institution adds CIRM as an additional covered party and provides an annual certification to CIRM to that effect.

Allowable Facilities and Indirect Costs

Revised to align Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Uniform Guidance calculation of Total Modified Costs, indirect costs will be calculated on up to \$50,000 for each service contract, Subcontract and Consultant agreement.

Key Revisions (cont.)

Equipment

Revised to align with OMB Uniform Guidance on Equipment for capitalization of equipment at \$10,000.

Carry Forward of Unobligated Trainee Funds

Removes the requirement of CIRM Prior Approval for unobligated trainee funds. Replaced with allowance of carry forward without prior authorization for the purpose of increasing the number of trainee positions in the next budget period.

Request for Board Action

The CIRM Team requests the ICOC adopt the revised Award Management Policy to enable closure of the rulemaking process.



Thank You

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