

**Harvard Pilgrim Health Care, Inc.**  
**Harvard Pilgrim Health Care Institute, LLC**  
*Office of Sponsored Programs*

**Policy and Procedure**

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**TITLE:**       **Internal No-Cost Extension**

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**PURPOSE:**

To inform the research community under what circumstances an internal, one-year, no-cost extension may be requested.

**PERSONS AFFECTED:**

This policy & procedure (P/P) applies to all Harvard Pilgrim Health Care, Inc. (HPHC) and Harvard Pilgrim Care Institute, LLC (HPHCI) (collectively, HPHC/I) personnel engaged in research, teaching or research administration activities in support of the charitable and educational mission of HPHC, Inc.

**POLICY:**

Principal Investigators (PIs) may request an internal no-cost extension for a period not to exceed one year if both of these circumstances exist:

- There are funds remaining and the contract does not require the return of unspent funds to the sponsor.”
- work is still needed for project completion (final analysis, manuscript)

If funds are still available at the end of the no-cost extension, investigators have ninety (90) days to complete transactions and submit a request to transfer unexpended funds into a general purpose account.

If the funds have not been transferred by the end of ninety (90) days, the funds will be transferred to the Department of Population Medicine (DPM).

**PROCEDURE:**

PIs must submit a “Request for a One-Year, No-Cost Extension Form” to their Grants Manager, certifying their intention to continue to meet the terms and conditions of the original award.

- OSP must verify that:
  - The amount is appropriate
  - The terms and conditions of the sponsor agreement allow this extension and, if appropriate, there is written approval from the sponsor
  - Director of OSP approves or rejects the request

**REVISION HISTORY:**

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