Ensure Compliance and Mitigate Risk with the MAXIMUS Uniform Guidance Diagnostic

A Cost-Effective Approach to Complying with 2 CFR Part 200

With the implementation of major changes in the higher education research realm as a result of Uniform Guidance, it is imperative that you stay on top of the new rules and ensure your organization is compliant while also mitigating risk. The MAXIMUS Higher Education Practice has developed a cost-effective approach that will facilitate your organization’s ability to achieve these goals. Our Uniform Guidance Diagnostic is a high-level analysis of an organization’s compliance with the cost, administrative, and audit requirements under the Uniform Guidance (2 CFR Part 200).

Overview of Our Approach
The analysis begins by compiling an organization’s responses to a series of questions regarding its policies, procedures and processes. The questions are divided into the following categories:

- Preaward
- Postaward
- Procurement
- Property management
- Subrecipient issuance and monitoring
- Direct costing
- Indirect rate compliance
- Audit

Compiling this information typically requires careful coordination across several of an organization’s departments, including Preaward, Postaward, Procurement, Property Management, and Cost Accounting. During the process, we recommend distributing the Diagnostic to the appropriate responsible parties to ensure responses reflect current policies and processes. The Diagnostic is divided into appropriate sections to support distribution, but as responsibilities vary across departments, some additional coordination may be required.
Once all information has been compiled, our team of skilled professionals conducts a thorough diagnostic analysis that addresses the specific applications and implications of the Uniform Guidance, with a particular emphasis on changes. The subsequent report documents this analysis along supporting recommendations and appropriate citations. It also details risks, which are illustrated with a risk matrix. The entire process typically takes four to six weeks to complete.

**Additional Services to Enhance Understanding**

While the MAXIMUS Uniform Guidance Diagnostic does not require an onsite visit, you may choose to include one, as well as additional review services and a formal presentation of the report and its findings.

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**Towards Ensuring Compliance and Mitigating Risk**

The MAXIMUS Uniform Guidance Diagnostic is a highly cost-effective approach to assessing organizational compliance and risk. The report with its findings enables organizations to clearly target areas with the most risk and those areas where change can easily be implemented. The cost for the MAXIMUS Uniform Guidance Diagnostic and the associated executive summary is $7,995. An onsite presentation of the Diagnostic findings for senior leadership is an optional service.

To learn more about how the MAXIMUS Uniform Guidance Diagnostic can help your organization ensure compliance and mitigate risk, we invite you to contact us.