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CDC recently updated its [flexibilities guidance for recipients and applicants](#) of federal financial assistance in accordance with [OMB Memorandum M-20-26](#).

The guidance outlines

1. the flexibilities from [M-20-11](#) still in effect through July 26, 2020, for awards supporting research and services necessary to carry out the emergency response related to COVID-19,
2. the two flexibilities from [M-20-26](#) which apply to an expanded group of recipients impacted by COVID-19, and
3. the expired flexibilities from [M-20-17](#).

Although some of the flexibilities provided through OMB have expired and more could in the coming months, CDC continues to have the ability to issue exceptions on a case-by-case basis in accordance with 45 CFR § 75.102. If a recipient anticipates needing any of the flexibilities, they should contact their assigned grants management specialist/program official.

As OMB or HHS provide any additional flexibilities and/or guidance, CDC will update its guidance accordingly. CDC remains committed to working closely with recipients to reduce administrative burden where needed due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

