

# Financial Accountability In Research (FAIR) Model

*FAIR is a **new approach** to supporting research and ensuring American leadership in science and innovation.*

## Features of the FAIR Model



Enhances **transparency and accountability**, adopting elements of the private foundation funding model and industry charging structures that make costs more visible and explicit through new trackable costing categories.



Provides **greater visibility on the drivers of research costs**, including regulatory expenses, so researchers, institutions, government, and taxpayers can more clearly understand what contributes to the safe and ethical conduct of science.



**Aligns reimbursement with actual project needs**, replacing the current F&A model that is applied across all research types at an institution with tailored support that reflects the specific type and cost of each research project.

## Support Implementation of the FAIR Model

We ask lawmakers to:



Include language in the FY27 Financial Services and General Government (FSGG) appropriations bill that **implements the FAIR model government-wide**.



Ensure at least a **two-year transition period** for agencies and institutions to make the necessary changes to accommodate a new model.



**Preserve the existing F&A reimbursements system** until the new model is fully implemented and operational across federal research funding agencies.

***Efforts to cut essential costs of research undermine our national leadership in science and the innovations it yields.***