SAU 70 Allowability of Cost Procedure

Obligation of Federal Funds require the SU/SD must determine the allowability of costs in accordance with Subpart E cost principals (2 CFR §200.400) and the terms and conditions of the award. The cost must be:

- Reasonable
- Necessary
- Allocable
- Consistent treatment of Direct and Indirect costs (2 CFR §200.412-§200.415)
- Meets the conditions of Selected Items of Cost (2 CFR §200.420-§200.475)

Task	Title of Responsible Party	Stage of Process (requisition, PO, Contract, Invoice)
Determines the cost is necessary		
Determines the cost is reasonable		
Determines the cost is included in the		
grant		
Verifies the cost is within the grant		
period		
Determines the cost is allocable		
Determines the cost is correctly		
treated as a direct cost or indirect		
admin		
Determines the cost is allowed as a		
selected item of cost (ex. sales tax,		
entertainmentare not allowable)		
Verifies adequate documentation is		
on file to support the invoice (ex.		
Packing slip for supplies, proof of		
attendance for conferences)		
Verifies the cost is covered by a		
contract and that procurement		
procedures/ conflict of interest		
procedures have been followed		
Verifies suspension and debarment		
has been checked		
Verifies contract administration		
procedures have been followed		