Release Notes for Grants Online Version 4.12
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Global

   a.   The MBDA banner has been updated to reflect the new logo. (Ticket OM-151)

   b.   The links on the login screen for the Public Search feature, Grants.gov website, Reviewers login screen, and Grants Online Training page have been made more prominent for easier visibility. (Ticket OM-148)
   c.   The "FinLitLog" interface for FALD users has been updated to work with the new Sharepoint system that replaced FinLitLog. (Ticket OM-176/HCI-635-85192)
   d.   The "Done" button has been removed from some secondary screens to make data entry easier. On secondary screens the "Save" button will both save the data and return the user to the initial screen. (OM-180)

Inbox Tab

   a.   The problem with hanging reassignments of Grants Officer tasks has been fixed. (Ticket OM-184)

Application Tab

   b.   If Recipient Share/Matching Funds exist, that amount is now displayed on the bottom of the Procurement Request screen. These data fields are not a part of the Budget Officer approval; however they allow the Federal Program Officer to indicate a partial match amount on an initial award when the federal amount is less than the approved amount for the first year. (Ticket HT-99/512137)

   c.   The Selection Package – Section D has been updated to display a reviewer list for each Review Event included on the Competition. (Ticket HT-34/519443).
   d.   The Selection Package – Sections C and D – now correctly display a "Yes" flag if Review Events are conducted within Grants Online (Ticket OM-170).

e. A new data field has been added to the Application Details page to capture "Place of Performance" for uploading to the USASpending website. A guidance document has also been added beside the new link. It is also available from the Grants Online Training page for Federal Program Officers (Ticket OM-57).

f. The problem accessing Special Award Conditions with more than 4000 characters has been fixed (Ticket OM-149).

g. Users will be prevented from entering duplicate ACCS lines on a Procurement Request (Ticket OM-158/JKB-351-76048).

h. The guidance link on the PO Checklist for Statutory Authorities has been updated (Ticket OM-161)

i. The notification to recipients regarding large Cash on Hand amounts will not include language about timely submission if the financial report was already submitted once but returned to the recipient for corrections (Ticket OM-185).

j. The High Risk indicator was added to the main Application header box. (Ticket HT-74)

Awards Tab

a. The "Accept/Decline Award" task is again sent only to the Authorized Representative who submitted the SF-424. This functionality was inadvertently removed in the last release and the initial awards were sent to all Authorized Representatives for an organization as is done with amendments. (Ticket OM-162)

b. The notification to Grants Specialists to begin the closeout process is no longer sent if there are outstanding Special Award Conditions requiring a "Satisfy SAC" Award Action Request (AAR) to be submitted (Ticket HT-77).

c. The first, second and third A-133 enforcement notifications have been implemented for recipients who remain delinquent in their A-133 submissions (Ticket OM-59 / EXZ-921-40916).

d. A new consolidated Special Award Conditions report has been added to the Grants File page which includes the SACs on the original award plus the ones on all amendments for that award (Ticket HT-78).

e. A link has been added to the "Accept/Decline Award" notification to new recipients classified as "Individuals" or "Foreign" to direct them to the Individual Payment Form used by the NOAA Finance Office. This form is needed to set them up to receive payments outside of ASAP (Ticket OM-47).

f. The Grants Management Division now has the ability to execute an amendment on a suspended award (Ticket OM-67/QDV-788-58186).

g. Users can now access the De-obligation Memos from the Grants File page on old awards that were closed before the Grants Online-CBS interface was implemented (Ticket OM-150).

h. The link to the GMD customer service survey has been added to the notification that is sent out to Federal Program Officers when the Grants Officer signs an award action. It will no longer be sent separately by the Production Control staff. (Ticket HT-98/512211)

i. The notification to initiate the closeout process will be sent to the Closeout Team members in GMD as well as to the Grants Specialist assigned to the award. (Ticket OM-152)

j. The link for the "No Cost Extension – Prior Approval Waived" Award Action Request will be enabled based upon the Research flag on the most recent approved PO Checklist on the award. This will allow the system to adjust when a correction is made after the initial award. (Ticket OM-153)

k. The "ASAP Drawdown" Award Action Request has been made available during the closeout process. (Ticket OM-159/ECY-350-42893)

l. If there is a change in the High Risk status for an organization, the workflow will be visible from the Grants File of any affected award. (Ticket OM-160)

m. The workflow status that indicates when an ASAP Authorization is complete has been changed from "Authorization of ASAP Funds Complete" to "ASAP Authorization Complete" to avoid confusion when there are only changes to dates. (Ticket OM-164)

n. A new Award Action Request called "Submit Additional Closeout Documents" was created specifically for the NTIA BTOP awards but is available for all awards. (Ticket OM-166/ZKL-553-71691)

o. The setting of the Financial Closeout date was fixed on zero dollar awards. (Ticket OM-167)

p. The "Save and Return to Main" button on the Amendment Details page now saves the "ASAP Authorization" amount without the user having to click on the "Save" button first. (Ticket OM-169)

q. The problem preventing the creation of SF-424A Financial Reports has been fixed. (Ticket OM-173/RXV-663-22187)

r. The problem which occasionally prevented optional routing of Progress Reports has been fixed. (Ticket OM-183/FYF-440-78417)

Account Management Tab

a. The security issue pertaining to the delegations feature has been fixed. The "My Profile" and "My Preferences" sections have been restored. (Ticket OM-178)

Review Module

a. REVIEWER – The email notification to reviewers regarding newly assigned proposals will include a list of all proposals from that Review Event which have been assigned to the particular reviewer. Previously if more than one proposal was assigned to a reviewer, only one proposal was listed in the email notification. (Ticket OM-145)

b. REVIEWER – A "Thank you" notice will be sent to reviewers who submit proposal reviews via Grants Online. (Ticket HT-31/519448)