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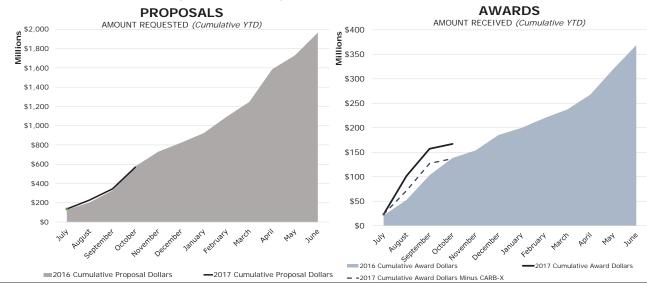
# BU SPONSORED FUNDING PERFORMANCE: Proposal and Award YTD Comparison

**Purpose:** Represent summary information for each BU School on the number of proposals submitted and awards received fiscal year-to-date, as well as dollar amounts proposed and received, compared to the year-to-date proposal and award performance at this same time last year, in order to understand directionality of BU's overall sponsored project activity for FY2017.

Note: This data is based on Sponsored Programs' (SP) preliminary reporting of activity for the previous month and is subject to minimal variances from the Sponsored Proposal and Award Activity Reports released mid-month due to on-going data review and potential reclassification.

	PROPOSAL SUBMISSIONS							SPONSORED AWARDS						
	CHANGE (\$) OCTOBER FY17 YTD		OBER FY17 YTD	OCTOBER FY16 YTD			CHANGE (\$)		OCTOBER FY17 YTD		OCTOBER FY16 YTD			
		′17 vs. FY16	Count value (\$)		Count Value (\$)				17 vs. FY16	Count	Value (\$)	Count	Value (\$)	
MED	+	-12%	229	239,317,947	260	272,671,178	•	₽.	-17%	280	44,537,300	227	53,399,	
CAS	4	-11%	208	108,182,430	193	120,964,273		Ŷ.	20%	138	27,427,331	125	22,786,	
ENG	4	-3%	113	65,161,456	100	67,125,761	- 1	Ŷ	7%	86	18,299,214	70	17,062,	
SPH	1	37%	95	58,045,261	100	42,292,731		ŀ	-22%	119	18,639,139	114	23,749,	
SAR	1	17%	22	16,495,215	26	14,139,677	,	ı.	-7%	24	4,986,156	31	5,341,	
GSDM	1	11%	14	18,322,216	16	16,546,866	,	Į.	-35%	14	3,049,652	19	4,661,	
AIC	Ŷ	61%	22	23,576,110	20	14,647,344	1	Ŷ	271%	19	11,389,378	13	3,067,	
SED	1	12%	29	16,671,566	25	14,938,013	1	î	18%	11	2,925,720	15	2,480,	
SSW	Î	7%	10	6,709,839	7	6,251,292	•	<b>₽</b>	-62%	12	969,494	13	2,573,	
NEIDL	1	267%	5	14,209,578	5	3,874,152		î	41%	5	1,172,458	3	833,	
QST	4	-61%	3	473,624	2	1,227,235	•	ŀ	-35%	4	316,601	4	483,	
PAR	1	90%	3	224,801	2	118,280	•	ŀ	-63%	2	332,000	5	896,	
STH	4	-100%	0	0	2	628,424	4	Ŷ	100%	1	125,000	0		
COM	4	-84%	1	25,000	3	158,000		Į.	-79%	2	17,500	1	85,	
MET	4	-100%	0	0	1	428,983		Þ	0%	0	0	0		
LAW	Ŷ	100%	1	100,000	0	0	- 4	Ŷ	100%	2	30,029,999	0		
OTHER <sup>1</sup>	Ŷ	21%	3	2,012,148	7	1,665,922	_	î	217%	6	2,781,882	4	876,	
TOTAL	4	-1%	757	\$ 569,427,192	769	\$ 577,678,131		个 个	21%	723	\$ 166,998,824	644	\$ 138,298,2	

1. Other includes smaller volume submitting units and schools, including CFA, CGS, and WBUR



- Compared to October of FY2016, the overall number of awards made to and contracts executed with Boston University for external funding has **increased by 12%**. The funding associated with these awards represents an **increase of 21% to \$166M**, due largely to the receipt of the CARB-X award.
- There was a slight reduction in the number of BU proposals submitted from July through October FY2017 as compared to July through October FY2016 (12 less) and represented a decrease in requested funds by 1%.

# BU SPONSORED FUNDING PERFORMANCE: Expenditure YTD Comparison

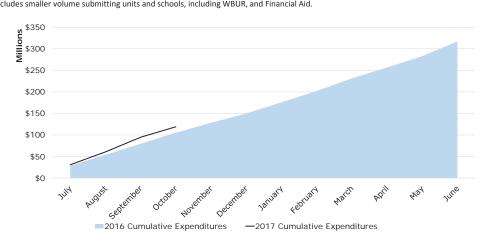
Purpose: Represent summary information for each BU School on the level of sponsored expenditures, direct and F&A, for the fiscal year-to-date compared to the year-to-date expenditure levels for this quarter last year, in order to understand directionality of BU's overall sponsored project activity for FY2016.

Note: This data is based on SP's preliminary reporting of activity for the previous month and is subject to minimal variances from the Sponsored Proposal and Award Activity Reports released mid-month due to on-going data review and potential reclassification.

# SPONSORED EXPENDITURES

		CHANGE 16 vs. FY15	Oct	tober FY17 YTD	)		Oct	ober FY16 YTD	
	FY	10 VS. FY 15	DIRECT (\$)	F & A (\$)	TOTAL (\$)		DIRECT (\$)	F & A (\$)	TOTAL (\$)
MED	1	8%	31,952,216	10,828,090	42,780,306		29,832,970	9,856,815	39,689,785
CAS	4	-3%	14,206,761	5,755,673	19,962,434		14,637,822	5,980,115	20,617,937
ENG	1	5%	9,116,498	3,991,021	13,107,519		9,206,640	3,302,122	12,508,762
SPH	4	11%	11,087,022	2,844,218	13,931,240		10,038,093	2,533,517	12,571,610
SAR	1	3%	2,537,481	949,743	3,487,224		2,486,472	898,380	3,384,852
GSDM	1	1%	2,452,205	937,288	3,389,493		2,441,354	923,168	3,364,521
AIC	4	-17%	2,882,859	959,093	3,841,952		3,566,177	1,040,956	4,607,133
SED	Ŷ	36%	1,798,144	222,013	2,020,157		1,346,906	139,640	1,486,546
SSW	4	-12%	848,792	187,044	1,035,836		941,003	230,076	1,171,079
NEIDL	4	4%	3,834,544	938,236	4,772,780		3,650,990	956,009	4,606,998
QST	4	-76%	51,401	18,832	70,233		212,247	79,424	291,672
PAR	1	113%	97,385	8,298	105,683		47,279	2,369	49,648
STH	4	-59%	89,491	12,034	101,525		224,637	22,996	247,633
COM	4	-17%	59,864	643	60,507		73,051	0	73,051
MET	4	-100%	0	0	0		12,926	-16,971	-4,045
LAW	Ŷ	583%	128,356	74,733	203,089		29,753	0	29,753
CFA	-	0%	0	0	0		0	0	0
CGS	1	100%	9,789	0	9,789		0	0	0
OTHER <sup>2</sup>	Ŷ	5%	10,135,499	17,388	10,152,887	0	9,638,494	9,793	9,648,287
TOTAL	Ť	4% \$	91,288,307 \$	27,744,347	\$ 119,032,654	\$	88,386,813 \$	25,958,407 \$	114,345,221

2. Other includes smaller volume submitting units and schools, including WBUR, and Financial Aid.



### **TRENDS & ANALYSIS**

• The overall level of sponsored project expenditures for BU increased slightly and is up by 4% over October 2016.

# **SPONSORED PROGRAMS: Workload and Productivity**

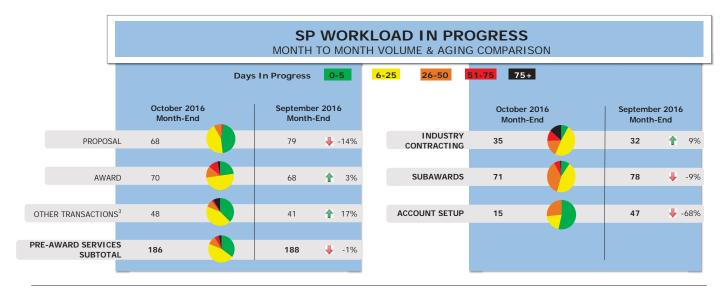
**Purpose:** Represent the workload coming into and being completed by SP Team (Pre-Award Services, Industry Agreements, Outgoing Subawards and Account Set-ups) and transaction type for this month, compared to this same month last year, and across the last fiscal year (bar graphs below) to understand how workload and productivity of the SP Teams are trending over the last year. Note that this metric is new and not all data is currently available for this time last year.

	INCOMING	TRANSAC	CTIONS	COMPLETED TRANSACTIONS				
SP Workload Transaction Type	OCTOBER FY17	OCTOBER FY16	Volume Change %	OCTOBER FY17	OCTOBER FY16	Volume Change %		
PROPOSALS	260	252	<b>1</b> 3%	280	254	10%		
AWARDS	111	87	<b>1</b> 28%	111	81	<b>1</b> 37%		
OTHER TRANSACTIONS <sup>3</sup>	166	155	<b>1</b> 7%	162	210	-23%		
PRE-AWARD SERVICES SUBTOTAL	537	494	<b>1</b> 9%	553	545	<b>1</b> %		
INDUSTRY AGREEMENTS	45	66	<b>↓</b> -32%	47	74	<del>-36</del> %		
OUTGOING SUBAWARDS	40	65	<b>↓</b> -38%	33	105	<b>↓</b> -69%		
ACCOUNT SETUP	174	185	<b>↓</b> -6%	204	356	<b>-43%</b>		
TOTAL	796	810	<b>↓</b> -2%	837	1080	<b>-23%</b>		
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- The number of transactions for **SP incoming workload is down by 2% compared to October FY16.** Increases were seen in preaward services items.
- Completed transactions shows an overall decline of 23% this is due to the prior FY backlog items.

## SPONSORED PROGRAMS: Workload and Productivity (continued)

**Purpose:** Represent the workload in-progress at the end of this month as compared to the end of last month by the number of transactions actively being processed and the age of those transactions (pie charts below; age based on receipt in SP) by SP Team/transaction type to understand if backlogs are accumulating and to ensure older items are being processed and closed.



- All SP Teams have been focusing on addressing aged items and transactions aged 51-75 and 75+ days continue to decrease over the previous month.
- The Industry Contracting Team's aging items are primarily related to Clinical Trials which are waiting for budget negotiations between the study team and sponsor to complete or waiting on the Industry sponsor.
- The SP Subaward Team has been focused on routine follow-up and speedy execution of outgoing subawards as noted below.
- Since May 2016 the team has maintained an average turnaround of 30 days or under.



<sup>3.</sup> Other Transactions included those additional items processed and managed by the SP Pre-Award Service Team, including Progress Reports, Pre-Award Documentation, Sponsor Approval Actions and Other Internal Actions.

## SCHOOL-BASED PROPOSAL DEVELOPMENT: Submission Timeliness and Quality Metrics

Purpose: Represent the timeliness of proposal submissions to SP for each BU School this month in conjunction with the quality of those proposal submissions (pie charts below); the percentage needing to go on-hold for some additional communication with the Principal Investigator (PI) or Department Administrator (DA) to understand which Schools are following the SP 5-Day Advance Submission Policy and what portion of proposals require further revisions and refinements once received by SP.

# PROPOSAL SUBMISSION TIMELINESS

PROPOSAL SUBMISSION TO SP vs. SPONSOR DEADLINE

	PROPOSAL COUNT	SAME DAY	1 DAY	2 DAY	3+ DAYS
MED	87	15	20	21	31
CAS	94	7	17	22	48
ENG	43	5	4	11	23
SPH	25	3	4	3	15
SAR	6	0	1	0	5
GSDM	4	1	0	0	3
SED	2	0	0	0	2
SSW	2	0	1	1	0
Other CRC <sup>4</sup>	17	3	8	1	5
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## **TRENDS & ANALYSIS**

- 47% of proposals were submitted to SP within the requested 3 days prior to the sponsor submission deadline (down from 62% in September).
- Three schools (MED, SSW, and Other CRC) submitted 40% or more of proposals to SP within one day or **less** of the sponsor proposal deadline.
- CAS, ENG, SPH, SAR, GSDM, SSW, SED and Other CRC submitted at least half of proposals to SP ready for sponsor submission (not requiring to go back to the PI or Department Administrator).
  - Note that this may be due to the lateness of proposal submissions to SP which receive reduced review in order to meet sponsor deadlines.

#### PROPOSAL QUALITY WHEN RECEIVED BY SP

	PROPOSAL COUNT	3+ DAYS SUBMISSION TIMELINESS	FIRST PASS (NO HOLI		BUDGET JUSTMENT	MISS INFORM		OTHER	HOLD <sup>6</sup>
MED	87		43	%	14%		29%		34%
CAS	94		59	%	4%		22%		22%
ENG	43		56	%	9%		37%		7%
SPH	25		68	%	16%		12%		28%
SAR	6		67	%	0%		33%		0%
GSDM	4		50	%	50%		25%		25%
SED	2		10	0%	0%		0%		0%
ssw	2		10	0%	0%		0%		0%
Other CRC <sup>4</sup>	4 17		71	%	6%		12%		18%

<sup>4.</sup> Other CRC represents submitting schools in the Charles River Campus including: School of Theology, College of Communication, Pardee School of Global Studies, Questrom School of Business, College of Fine Arts, Metropolitan College, School of Law, School of General Studies .

<sup>5.</sup> First Pass includes proposals that did not need to be placed "on-hold" for information or additional data from the PI, Department or for any other reason and could be transitioned straight to submission.

<sup>6.</sup> Other Hold Types includes items that require follow-up with the department administrator and/or PI, not classified as budget issues or Missing Information.

# TRANSACTION PROCESSING TIMES: SP Ownership vs. External Ownership

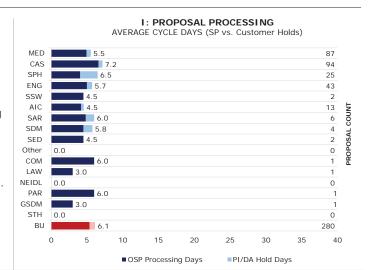
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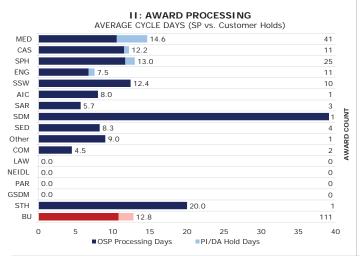
- Graphs I-III: Represent the average number of business days it takes to process various transactions through the SP Pre-Award Services Team (dark colors) versus the number of business days on-hold with each BU School (light colors) and how this combines to a total transaction processing time.
- Graph IV: Represent the average number of business days it takes to process outgoing subawards through BU by each BU School (dark colors) versus the number of business days in process with the subrecipient institution (light colors).
- Graph V: Represent the average number of business days it takes to complete an account set-up for each set-up transaction type versus the SP Service Level

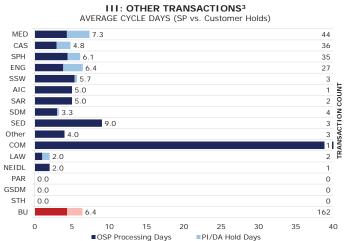
I-III Cycle Days Start: Initial receipt of documents in SP, regardless of whether the materials are complete/ready for submission.

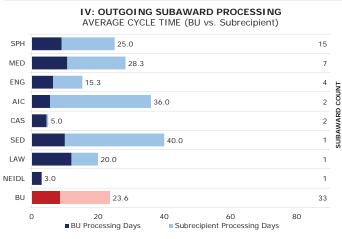
I-III Cycle Days End: Confirmed submission to the sponsor or transaction completed/closed.

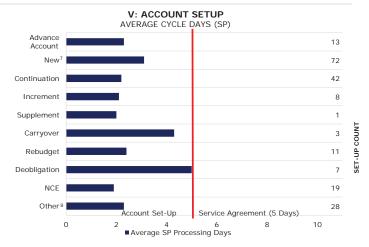
- SP processed proposals within 6.1 business days from initial receipt of documents on average. Of this, proposals were on-hold 0.7 business days requiring PI/Department or Sponsor input.
- SP processed Outgoing Subawards in 23.6 days on average, with 8.5 business days of BU processing time (versus the subrecipient institution's processing time), representing a 4% increase from September 2016.
- The Account Set-Up Team has decreased their average processing time, and continue to meet the Service Level of Agreement of processing awards within 5 business days or less.











- 3. Other Transactions included those additional items processed and managed by the SP Pre-Award Service Team, including Progress Reports, Pre-Award Documentation, Sponsor Approval Actions and Other Internal Actions.
- 7. New includes "Renewals" which specifically indicates NIH segments
- 8. Other Account Set-up Actions include miscellaneous non-monetary transactions, including, administrative change and corrections