



**ACRONYMS**

**A**

- AAALAC American Association for the Accreditation of Laboratory Animal Care
- ACF Administration for Children and Families (DHHS)
- ACO Administrative Contracting Officer
- ADA Americans with Disabilities Act
- AFOSR Air Force Office of Scientific Research (USAF)
- AMP Affirmative Market Program/Plan (for Mass State Contracts)
- AHCPR Agency for Health Care Policy and Research (DHHS)
- AID Agency for International Development (Independent)
- Amtrak National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Independent)
- ANA Administration for Native Americans
- AOA Administration on Aging (DHHS)
- APHIS Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (USDA)
- ARO Army Research Office (USA)
- ARPA Advanced Research Projects Agency (DOD)

**B**

- BAA Broad Agency Announcement
- BLM Bureau of Land Management (DOI)
- BMC Boston Medical Center
- BPA Bonneville Power Administration
- BPHC Boston Public Health Commission
- BUMC Boston University Medical Campus

**C**

- CAAC Civilian Agency Acquisition Council
- CBD Commerce Business Daily
- CDBG Community Development Block Grant
- CDC Centers for Disease Control (DHHS)
- CEQ Council on Environmental Quality
- CFA Commission of Fine Arts
- CFDA Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance
- CFR Code of Federal Regulations
- CIA Central Intelligence Agency (Independent)
- CICA Competition in Contracting Act
- CMIA Cash Management Improvement Act
- CO Contracting Officer
- COI Conflict of Interest
- COM-PASS Commonwealth of Massachusetts Procurement Access and Solicitation System
- Conrail Consolidated Rail Corporation
- CPSR Contractor Procurement System Review
- CRADA Cooperative Research and Development Agreement
- CSR Center for Scientific Review (NIH)
- CSRS Cooperative State Research Service

**D**

- DC District of Columbia
- DA Departmental Administration
- DA Department of the Army



DAR	Defense Acquisition Regulations Council
DARPA	Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency
DC	Direct Costs
DCA	Defense Communications Agency (DOD)
DCAA	Defense Contract Audit Agency (DOD)
DCS	Defense Communications System (DOD)
DEA	Drug Enforcement Agency (DOJ)
DEAR	Department of Energy Acquisition Regulations (DOE)
DED	Department of Education
DFAR	Dept. of Defense Federal Acquisition Regulations (DOD)
DHHS	Department of Health and Human Services (includes NIH)
DIA	Defense Intelligence Agency (DOD)
DIPEC	Defense Industrial Plant Equipment Center (DOD)
DIS	Defense Investigative Service (DOD)
DMSA	Defense Medical Support Activity (DOD)
DNA	Defense Nuclear Agency (DOD)
DOC	Department of Commerce
DOD	Department of Defense
DOE	Department of Energy
DOI	Department of Interior
DOJ	Department of Justice
DOL	Department of Labor
DOS	Department of State
DOT	Department of Transportation
DRG	Division of Research Grants (NIH)
<b>E</b>	
EDA	Economic Development Administration (DOC)
EDGAR	Education Dept. General Administration Regulations (DED)
EEO	Equal Employment Opportunity
EEOC	Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (Independent)
EO	Executive Order
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency (Independent)
ERA	Electronic Research Administration
ERS	Economic Research Service (USDA)
ES	Extension Service (USDA)
ETA	Employment and Training Administration (DOL)
EVS	Equipment Visibility System
<b>F</b>	
FAA	Federal Aviation Administration (DOT)
F&A	Facilities and Administrative costs
FAQ	Frequently Asked Questions
FAR	Federal Acquisition Regulation
FBI	Federal Bureau of Investigation (DOJ)
FCA	Farm Credit Administration (Independent)
FCC	Federal Communications Commission (Independent)
FDA	Food and Drug Administration (DHHS)
FFATA	Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006
FOA	Funding Opportunity Announcement ( <i>NIH</i> )
FOIA	Freedom of Information Act



FSR	Financial Status Report
<b>G</b>	
GA	Grant Accountant (Boston Medical Center)
GAO	General Accounting Office (United States Government)
GSA	General Services Administration
<b>H</b>	
HIPAA	Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act
HRSA	Health Resources and Services Administration (DHHS)
<b>I</b>	
IRB	Institutional Review Board (human subject research)
IACUC	Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee
IBC	Institutional Biosafety Committee
<b>L</b>	
LOI	Letter of Intent
<b>M</b>	
MBE	Minority-owned Business Enterprise
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
MSDS	Material Safety Data Sheet.
MTA	Material Transfer Agreement
<b>N</b>	
NAS	National Academy of Sciences
NASA	National Aeronautics and Space Administration
NCCR	National Center for Research Resources (NIH)
NEERS	National Earthquake Early Reporting System
NEA	National Endowment for the Arts (NFAH)
NEH	National Endowment for the Humanities
NFAH	National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities
NHTSA	National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (DOT)
NIE	National Institute of Education
NIH	National Institutes of Health (DHHS)
NIJ	National Institute of Justice (DOJ)
NIST	National Institute of Science and Technology (DOC)
NLM	National Library of Medicine (NIH)
NOAA	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (DOC)
NRC	Nuclear Regulatory Commission (Independent)
NRL	Naval Research Laboratories (DOD)
NRSA	Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Award (NIH)
NSA	National Security Agency (DOD)
NSF	National Science Foundation (Independent)
NTIA	National Telecommunications & Information Admin (DOC)
NTIS	National Technical Information Service (DOC)
<b>O</b>	
OCR	Office of Clinical Research (BMC and BUMC)
OEHS	Office of Environmental Health and Safety (BMC)
OER	Office of Extramural Research (NIH)
OFCC	Office of Federal Contract Compliance
OFPP	Office of Federal Procurement Policy
OFR	Office of the Federal Register National Archives and Records Administration
OJP	Office of Justice Programs (DOJ)



OMB Office of Management and Budget (Executive)  
ONR Office of Naval Research (USN)  
OHRP Office for Human Research Protections  
ORA Office of Research Administration (BUMC)  
ORCA Online Representations and Certifications Application (Federal Repts and Certs site)  
OSDBU Office of Small & Disadvantaged Business Utilization  
OSHA Occupational Safety & Health Administration (DOL)  
OSTP Office of Science and Technology Policy (Executive)  
OTA Office of Technology Assessment (Legislative)  
OTP Office of Technology Policy (DOC)

**P**

PA Program Announcement  
PHS Public Health Service (DHHS)  
PSR Property System Review (DOD)  
PTO Patent and Trademark Office (DOC)

**R**

RDA Rural Development Administration (USDA)  
RFA Request for Applications  
RFP Request for Proposal  
RFQ Request for Quote

**S**

SAMHSA Substance Abuse and Mental Health Administration (DHHS)  
SBA Small Business Administration (Independent)  
SCS Soil Conservation Service (USDA)  
SNAP [Streamlined Non-Competing Award Process \(SNAP\)](#)  
SOC Standard of Care (BMC)  
SOMWBA State Office of Minority and Women Business Assistance (Massachusetts)  
SPA Sponsored Programs Administration  
STATE Department of State

**U**

UFR Uniform Financial Statement and Independent Auditor's Report  
USDA United States Department of Agriculture  
USIA United States Information Agency

**W**

WBE Women-owned Business Enterprise  
WIRB Western Institutional Review Board