



Changes to Bayh-Dole - Intellectual Property Assignments

In 2018, the National Institute of Standards and Technology (“NIST”) promulgated new regulations that changed various procedures for how the Bayh-Dole Act (“Act”) is implemented. The Bayh-Dole Act is a federal law that entitles universities to retain ownership of inventions developed under federally funded research programs. One of the recent revisions to the Act requires grantee organizations to have *written agreements* with its employees working under federal funding to assign any inventions derived from the funded projects. NIH and NSF have also incorporated these requirements into the terms and conditions of their awards.

In order to comply with the revised federal law and agency requirements, the university is implementing an intellectual property assignment agreement for all faculty, staff, and trainees that are paid off of a federal grant.

How does this impact me?

If you are faculty, post doc, or graduate student working on a federal grant you must complete the [intellectual property assignment agreement in Learn@Work](#) by May 30, 2019.

If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact [Melanie Roewe](#).