

University of Colorado Health Sciences Center
Fiscal Policy for
Distribution of Technology Transfer Income

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I. Purpose, Reference, and Responsibility

A. Purpose

The net receipts from technology transfer will be distributed 25% to the discoverer(s), 25% to the University to support the discoverer's research, 25% to the University and 25% to the campus Chancellor. The CU Policy provides that the Chancellor establish the individual campus policy for any allocation of the 25% designated for the campus. This policy addresses the way in which the 25% allocated the campus Chancellor will be handled for the UCHSC.

B. Reference

1. University of Colorado Administrative Policy Statement on "Intellectual Property Policy on Discoveries and Patents For Their Protection and Commercialization." The reference is found at:
http://www.cusys.edu/policies/Academic/IP_discoveries.html.

C. Responsibility

It is the responsibility of the CU System Technology Transfer Office to work with the UCHSC Budget Office to make distributions of Chancellor's portion of intellectual property income consistent with this policy.

II. Applicability and Definitions

A. Applicability

Applies to the distribution of the UCHSC Chancellor's portion of net receipts from intellectual property.

B. Definitions

- A. Net receipts means all financial consideration received by the University or its agent from the transfer, license, development, or commercial exploitation of the intellectual property, less all unreimbursed legal expenses.

III. Policy

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A. Principles for Allocation of Net Receipts Distributed to the Campus Chancellor

The following principles guided the Chancellor's approach for allocating the intellectual property net receipts that flow to the Chancellor under the University of Colorado's Administrative Policy Statement on "Intellectual Property Policy on Discoveries and Patents For Their Protection and Commercialization."

1. Allocation method is simple, understandable and consistently applied.
2. Allocation recognizes the contributions of each level of the support through the campus budget, the school's budget and the departmental budget:
 - a. The campus budget supports the technology transfer office and campus facilities used by researchers in the invention process.
 - b. The schools support inventions through their dean's office, which provides funding for recruitment of faculty members, research salary support (faculty, student and staff), and research laboratory enhancements.
 - c. The department supports faculty through providing access to space, administrative support, recruitment packages, work relief time to develop inventions, and research laboratory support.
4. In order to ensure that the funds can be deployed in response to changes in strategies, priorities and economies, the allocation policy provides flexibility for spending the net receipts distributed to the campus.
5. The policy will be reviewed periodically but not less than every 5-7 years by the Chancellor's Office with input from the campus community.
6. The allocation of the net receipts distributed to the campus is reported periodically to the campus community.
7. Any unit in receipt of a campus allocation will make available its policy for distributing its allocation and will provide periodic accounting of how the funds were actually spent.

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B. Allocation Methodology

The following allocation methodology applies with two exceptions. In instances of fiscal exigency, the Chancellor may modify the allocation methodology. Furthermore, if the campus central services and administration budget is in a deficit, the first allocation of net proceeds will be used henceforth to eliminate the campus funding of the Technology Transfer Office and thereafter will be distributed according to the methodology outlined below.

1. 60% of the intellectual property net receipts that are distributed to the Chancellor will be allocated to departments and used at the discretion of the Chair for investment in the departmental research enterprise.
2. 20% of the intellectual property net receipts that are distributed to the Chancellor will be allocated to the dean to be used for investment in the research enterprise of the school.
3. 20% of the intellectual property net receipts that are distributed to the Chancellor will be allocated to the campus budget first to recover any direct investment in the technology transfer function and then for investment in academic enrichment under the direction of the Chancellor.