SOM CRA Options Guide

1. **This study is industry initiated, offset 10%**
   You would choose this option if it is an industry initiated study. Because the IFR mechanism doesn’t lend itself to accrual based research activity as is the case with clinical trials, this mechanism is proposed as an option to facilitate your research. In the case of industry sponsored studies by selecting this box, 10% of the invoiced study income will be transferred to a Clinical Research Offset Account managed by your department. It is the expectation of the School of Medicine that funds in this account will be used by the department to further support clinical research efforts of its faculty. You would place the effort in the % Reimbursed Offset (IFR) column on the COEUS Proposal Form with the SOM Offset box checked. Effort on CPF must match effort on key personnel screen (0% effort is not acceptable).

2. **A) This study is investigator initiated, offset 5%**
   You would choose this option if it is an investigator initiated study. Because the IFR mechanism doesn’t lend itself to accrual based research activity as is the case with clinical trials, this mechanism is proposed as an option to facilitate your research. In the case of investigator initiated studies by selecting this box, 5% of the invoiced study income will be transferred to a Clinical Research Offset Account managed by your department. It is the expectation of the School of Medicine that funds in this account will be used by the department to further support clinical research efforts of its faculty. You would place the effort in the % Reimbursed Offset (IFR) column on the COEUS Proposal Form with the SOM Offset box checked. Effort on CPF must match effort on key personnel screen (0% effort is not acceptable).

   **B) N/A Investigator/s effort will be offset via IFR or charged directly to the award**
   Wherein the investigator feels confident that accruals for this study will be at or near maximum, the investigator may choose to IFR a fixed % of time. You would place the effort in the % Reimbursed Offset (IFR) column on the COEUS Proposal Form without the SOM Offset box checked.

3. **This agreement is unfunded**
   You would select this option if the agreement is unfunded and there is no money involved. You would place your effort on the COEUS proposal form in the Cost Share column and this effort would count towards the SOM 5% Cost Share Cap. If you are listing your effort as 0% (unfunded) you must provide what exactly your role is in the study and what you will be doing in the budget justification, along with the RFA/RFP (to justify the 0% effort). In this case you would not check off the SOM Offset box on the COEUS Proposal Form.

4. **The terms of the Offset Agreement do not apply, as the effort on this study is to be cost shared within the limits of the SOM 5% cost share cap. This is consistent with all State faculty participants involved with this study.**
   You would place your effort on the COEUS proposal form in the Cost Share column and this effort would count towards the SOM 5% Cost Share Cap. In this case you would not check off the SOM Offset box on the COEUS Proposal Form.
*Cooperative agreement group studies are typically funded & submitted without the SOM CRA (effort would go in the cost share column on the CPF and not count towards the 5% SOM cost share cap as this is a SOM cost share exception). If the Cooperative agreement group study is unfunded then you would submit the SOM CRA with the This agreement is unfunded box checked off and would also need to upload the RFA to COEUS that states it is unfunded.*