**Buying Manual** 

Subject: Purchases with Special Procedures: Paying for Services

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### **Unit Responsibilities**

- Work through the Paying for Services flowchart to determine the appropriate payment method or contract method
- Submit completed service provider questionnaire and evaluation worksheet, if directed in flowchart
- Determine the terms of the agreement with the service provider, such as the scope of work or deliverables, acceptance criteria, identification of who will provide the services, etc.
- Send contract to service provider for review, signature and return to unit for completion
- Review, date, initial or sign the contract as required for the department on the Cornell agreement. Do not sign a vendor or service provider's contract.
- Provide required information (as described above) with the I Want Doc or form required by your BSC

## **Business Service Center (BSC):**

- Understand and communicate policies to faculty, staff, and service providers
- Verify that the service provider evaluation has been performed (where one must be performed, based on the information provided in <u>section 700</u>) and documented by the unit, prior to requesting payment to the service provider
- Verify that all conflict of interest and conflict of commitment issues have been resolved and documented by the unit
- Ensure that independent contractors meet the university insurance requirements or complete Risk Management's waiver process
- Ensure that contracts are properly executed prior to the performance of services
- Attach the following to the requisition: <u>Service Provider Questionnaire</u>, <u>Service Provider</u>
  <u>Evaluation Worksheet</u>, and <u>contract</u> (*Independent Contractor/Consultant Agreement* form or *Performer or specific Service Provider contract*) to Procurement Services when requesting the purchase order
- Ensure that the procurement of services is undertaken in compliance with the policy and procedures outlined in this manual

#### **Procurement and Payment Services:**

- Request, review, and maintain Certificates of Insurance for service providers as appropriate
- Update KFS vendor record with certificate of insurance as appropriate
- Receive IRS forms, supplier information forms (via manual or automated process) and proof of insurance from vendors

#### Tax Office in the Division of Financial Affairs:

Provide guidance to units on IRS issues and interpretations

#### **Risk Management and Insurance:**

 Negotiate any exceptions to the minimum necessary insurance coverage for independent contractors