

Returning Interest Earned on Federal Funds

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Payment Management System – Program Support Center (PSC) has recently updated information addressing the return of interest earned from Federal grant drawdowns. Here is summary of this process, followed by information about how to obtain more details and who to contact regarding this notice. For non-interest refunds, please refer to the G5 refunds guidance or call the Hotline at 888-336-8930.

1. The preferred method to return interest is through Automated Clearing House (ACH) Direct Deposit or Fedwire.

a. When returning interest through ACH Direct Deposit or Fedwire, grantees must include the following in their return transaction:

- PMS Account Number (PAN). NOTE: The PAN is the same series of alpha-numeric characters used for payment request purposes (e.g.: C1234G1).
- PMS document number.
- The reason for the return (e.g. interest, part interest part other, etc.).
- An explanation stating that the refund is for interest payable to the Department of Health and Human Services, and the grant number(s) for which the interest was earned.

b. U.S. Department of Education grantees are generally located and operate domestically and return interest domestically. Below is PSC ACH account information for interest returned domestically. For international ACH interest returned, account information is available at: [Returning Funds/Interest](#).

- PSC ACH Routing Number is: 051036706
- PSC DFI Accounting Number: 303000
- Bank Name: Credit Gateway - ACH Receiver
- Location: St. Paul, MN

c. Service charges may be incurred from a grantee's financial institution when a Fedwire to return interest is initiated. For FedWire returns, Fedwire account information is as follows:

- Fedwire Routing Number: 021030004
- Agency Location Code (ALC): 75010501
- Bank Name: Federal Reserve Bank
- Treas NYC/Funds Transfer Division
- Location: New York, NY

2. Interest may be returned by check using only the U.S. Postal Service; however, returning interest via check may take 4-6 weeks for processing before a check payment may be applied to the appropriate PMS account.

Interests returned by check are to be mailed to:

HHS Program Support Center
PO Box 979132
St. Louis, MO 63197

A brief statement explaining the nature of the return must be included.

To return interest on a grant not paid through the PMS, make the check payable to the Department of Health and Human Services, and include the following with the check:

- An explanation stating that the refund is for interest
- The name of the awarding agency
- The grant number(s) for which the interest was earned
- The return should be made payable to: Department of Health and Human Services.

For detailed information about how to return interest, please visit the PSC Retuning Funds/Interest page at:

[Returning Funds/Interest](#)

Questions about this notice may be directed to the Education Program Contact found in Box 3 of the Grant Award Notification issued by the U.S. Department of Education.