Conflict of Interest Policy

- Thirteen Years After -
Changes in the COI Policy

• Why?
  – Current policy was adopted in 2003
  – Two processes:
    ▪ annual review process
    ▪ review for PHS and NSF proposals
  – Eliminate the use of paper (will use InfoEd)
  – Ask the right questions to lower the non-compliance risks for individuals and for WPI
  – Prepare for an increased scrutiny from funding agencies
Changes in the COI Policy

- What are the changes?
  - The two separate processes are merged and moved to InfoEd
  - The submission is once a year, with updates if circumstances change
  - What must be disclosed is clarified
  - Questions are revised (unchanged for non-researchers) and follow NIH rules (for all researchers)
  - Added federally required reporting, training, record retention, rules for subrecipients, etc
  - Composition of the Conflict Management Committee is revised