EQUIPMENT ALLOCATION

Cost of equipment should be allocated on the use basis at the time the Equipment was purchased; the costs does not need to be re-allocated throughout the award period or life of the equipment based on actual usage.

Federal regulations allow for other use of the equipment in the following order of preference:

- Award under which equipment was purchased
- Sponsor (e.g., if the Award is NIH then other NIH programs)
- Other Project/Programs supported by the Federal Government
- Other non-federal projects/programs

Source: 2 CFR 200.313

Re-allocation of the cost of the equipment to other awards is also not necessary as it:

- increases the administrative burden on central business units and the department,
- creates an audit risk, and
- runs the risk of over-allocation.