



**AGA Austin Chapter  
February 13, 2014 Luncheon**

Scott Erwin and Joanne Palmer talk about Contract and Grant Compliance at Colleges and Universities.

- The mission of standard colleges and universities is research, teaching, and public service. The mission of standard state and local schools is education, protection of citizens, and public service.
- The lifecycle of how a proposal becomes a contract: proposal idea, funding opportunities, proposal review, sponsor review, contract negotiation, project management.
- Types of contracts that colleges and universities may use: memorandum of understanding (MOU), interagency cooperation agreement, inter-local agreement, and subcontracts.
- Regulations that affect state agencies include OMB Circular A-87, A-102.
- Regulations that affect higher education include OMB Circular A-21, A-110, A-133, A-81.
- The purpose of the Data Act is to establish standards for data management access and control on colleges and universities. When establishing a contract questions regarding maintaining data integrity, how the data will be used, how data will be protected, and how access will be controlled should be considered.
- Contract negotiation points may include:
  - Authority
  - Indemnification
  - Publication Rights
  - Data Rights
  - Arbitration
  - Insurance
  - Audit
  - Payment
  - Performance
  - Warranty
  - Intellectual Property
  - Termination Rights

**About the Speakers:**

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**Luncheon Information:**

- Luncheons are held on the second Thursday of each month at Carmelo's Restaurant (on 5<sup>th</sup> St.).
- AGA members and non-members are welcome to join us at luncheons and earn CPE credit.
- Lunch (and dessert) is provided with your registration.
- Payment options: Pay at the door or online at <http://www.agaustin.org/aga-austin-reg.html>.