

# Decision Flow Chart for Sponsored Project Costs

The cost reflects conservative action a prudent person would take in similar circumstances.

Reasonable

NO

YES

The cost benefits the project and the amount charged is in proportion to the benefit.

Allocable

NO

YES

The cost is not prohibited by law, regulation, policy, or the award terms.

Allowable

NO

YES

The cost is specifically identifiable with a project and consistent with CMU practice.

Consistent Treatment

NO

YES

Do not direct charge on sponsored projects.

Sponsor Funds Available

NO

YES

May be a direct charge to cost sharing

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