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Updates to the Accounting Landscape

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Lease Accounting



Implementation – New Disclosures for Lessee

- Information about leases that have not yet commenced but create significant rights & obligations for the lessee
- Significant judgments, including
 - The determination of whether a contract contains a lease
 - The allocation of the consideration in a contract between lease & nonlease components
 - The determination of the discount rate for the lease
- Short-term lease accounting policy election
- Election of the practical expedient on not separating lease components from nonlease components



Implementation – New Disclosures for Lessee

- Amounts segregated between those for finance & operating leases for the following items
 - Cash paid for amounts included in the measurement of lease liabilities, segregated between operating & financing cash flows
 - Supplemental noncash information on lease liabilities arising from obtaining Right-of-Use (ROU) assets
 - Weighted-average remaining lease term
 - Weighted-average discount rate



Determining Whether a Lease Exists

Identified Asset

- Explicitly or implicitly specified
- Not able to substitute



Lease

Right of Control

- Decision-making authority
- Substantially all the economic benefits



Finance Lease Criteria (Similar to Capital Lease)

- Ownership of asset transfers to lessee by end of lease term
- Lessee has purchase option that it is reasonably certain to be exercised
- Lease term is for major part of economic life of asset (N/A for leases that commence "at or near the end" of the underlying asset's economic life, e.g., in the final 25% of an asset's economic life)

- PV of minimum lease payments amounts to at least substantially all of fair value of leased asset
- NEW: Underlying asset is of such a specialized nature that it is expected to have no alternative use to the lessor at the end of the lease term



Inception Date vs. Commencement Date

- Lease commencement is the date a lessor makes an underlying asset available for use to a lessee & is the date for classification, recognition, & measurement
 - The determination of whether a contract is a lease or contains a lease is performed at the inception date
 - Lease classification, recognition, & measurement are determined at the lease commencement date



Lease Classification & Terms

- For leases with a term of 12 months or less, a lessee is permitted to make an accounting policy election by class of underlying asset not to recognize lease assets & lease liabilities on the balance sheet
- Lease term is the noncancelable period in which the lessee has the right to use an underlying asset, plus optional periods for which, after considering all relevant factors that may give lessee economic incentive to renew or terminate, it is reasonably certain the lessee will
 - Exercise the renewal option, or
 - Not exercise the termination option, or
 - The exercise of those options is controlled by the lessor



Lease Accounting Concepts

- Lease liability (obligation to make lease payments) = measured at the present value of the future lease payments
- Right-of-Use asset = lease liability + direct cost + lease prepayments lease incentives received
- Discount rate
 - Use the rate charged by the lessor if known
 - The incremental borrowing rate
 - All private companies & nonprofits may elect to use the risk-free rate
 - Can use the rate as of implementation date (no need to go back to the lease inception date)



Lease Accounting Concepts

Annual expense recognition & subsequent amortization of ROU asset depends on lease classification

Finance lease

- Unwind liability using the effective interest method
- Front-loaded expense pattern similar to today's capital leases with interest & amortization recognized separately
- Interest determined on the lease liability in each period during the lease term as the amount that produces a constant periodic discount rate
- ROU asset generally amortized on a straight-line basis

Operating lease

- Unwind liability using the effective interest method
- Straight-line expense over term
- ROU asset: Reduced by the difference between the annual straight-line lease expense & the annual interest cost on the lease liability, *i.e.*, amortize the asset to achieve straight-line total lease expense



Lease Accounting

- Lessee Balance Sheet Presentation
 - Finance & operating lease ROU assets must be presented separately on the balance sheet or disclosed in notes (separate line items if entity has both finance & operating lease ROU assets)
 - Liabilities same separate presentation requirements as ROU assets (separate line items if entity has both finance & operating leases)
 - ROU assets & liabilities are subject to the same considerations as other nonfinancial assets & financial liabilities in classifying them as current & noncurrent in classified balance sheets. An entity should classify a portion of its lease liabilities that is expected to be paid within one year as a current liability



Comparison of Lessee Accounting Models

Finance Lease

Balance Sheet

Right-of-use (ROU) asset* lease liability

Income Statement

- Interest expense (on lease liability)
- Amortization expense (on ROU asset)

Cash Flows

Cash paid for principal payments (financing activities) & interest payments (operating activities)

*Periodically reduced by the straight-line amortization

Operating Lease

Balance Sheet

Right-of-use (ROU) asset** lease liability

Income Statement

Lease/rent expense (straight-line)

Cash Flows

Cash paid for lease payments (operating)

**Periodically reduced by the difference between straightline lease expense & interest cost on lease liability, i.e., "plug figure"

***ROU asset is always long-term & lease liability is split between current & long-term



New York State Health Care & Mental Hygiene Worker Bonus (HWB)



HWB – Background

- Fiscal Year 2023 New York State Executive Budget legislation
- Approximately \$1.2 billion for the payment of bonuses for certain frontline healthcare workers
- Allows for the payment of bonuses to "recruit, retain, & reward health care & mental hygiene workers" meeting specified eligibility requirements
- Bonus amounts will be commensurate with the number of hours worked by eligible workers covered by the HWB Program during designated vesting periods for up to a total of \$3,000 per covered worker
- Qualified employers are required to claim their bonus on behalf of their eligible employees
- Both qualified employers & qualified employees are required to submit an attestation form, as dictated by the HWB Program

How Do We Account for the HWB

- What is the proper accounting treatment of the Health Care & Mental Hygiene Worker Bonus?
- How would a Not-for-Profit ("NFP") versus a For-Profit entity account for such transaction?



How Do We Account for the HWB – NFP Entities

Exchange Transaction

VS.

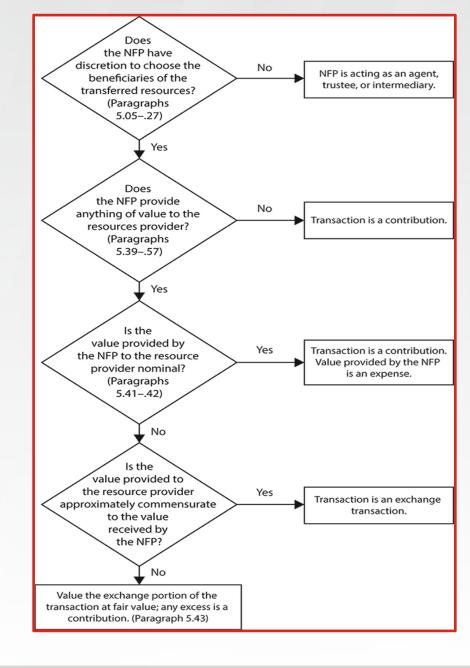
Grant/Contribution

VS.

Agency Transaction



NFP Audit & Accounting Guide



Variance Power

- The FASB ASC Master Glossary defines variance power as
 - the unilateral power to redirect the use of the transferred assets to another beneficiary. A donor explicitly grants variance power if the recipient entity's unilateral power to redirect the use of the assets is explicitly referred to in the instrument transferring the assets. Unilateral power means that the recipient entity can override the donor's instructions without approval from the donor, specified beneficiary, or any other interested party.



Discretion to Choose A Beneficiary

- ASC 958-605-55-76 Discretion to Choose the Beneficiary states that
 - "A recipient entity has discretion sufficient to recognize a contribution received if it can choose the beneficiaries of the assets.
 - For example, if a recipient receives cash that it must disburse to any who meet guidelines specified by a resource provider or return the cash, those receipts may be deposits held by the recipient as an agent rather than contributions received as a donee.
 - Similarly, if a recipient receives cash that it must disburse to individuals identified by a resource provider or return the cash, neither the receipt nor the disbursement is a contribution for the agent, trustee, or intermediary.
 - In contrast, if a resource provider allows the recipient to establish, define, & carry out the programs that disburse the cash, products, or services to the recipient's beneficiaries, the recipient generally is involved in receiving & making contributions."



How Do We Account for the HWB – For-Profit Entities

- Guidance from TQA Section 6400.71 Accounting by a Recipient Entity for Vaccines or Other Pharmaceuticals, Medical Supplies, or Equipment Received for Distribution to Specified Patients
 - This TQA discusses the receipt of vaccines from the pandemic & notes that occasionally healthcare entities receive pharmaceuticals or other items from resource providers to distribute to patients participating in right-to-try programs, clinical trials, prescription assistance programs, or other programs designed to distribute pharmaceuticals to patients free of charge
 - Generally, those items are required to be dispensed by a licensed healthcare entity only to the specified patient or patients & free of charge to the specified patients. Typically, the arrangements between the provider of the items & the dispensing healthcare entity do not allow the healthcare entity to dispense the items to anyone other than the specified patients & also require that if the items cannot be dispensed to the specified patients, they must be either returned to the resource provider or destroyed



How Do We Account for the HWB – For-Profit Entities

- If, after reviewing the facts & circumstances of the arrangement between the resource provider of the items & the dispensing healthcare entity, it is determined that the arrangement is a non-exchange transaction
- the not-for-profit healthcare entities receiving transfers from governmental or nongovernmental entities & for-profit healthcare business entities with transfers from nongovernmental entities should apply the guidance within FASB ASC 958-605
- Although there is no specific guidance in U.S. GAAP applicable to for-profit healthcare business entities for transfers from governmental entities, FASB ASC 105 describes the decision-making framework for determining the guidance to apply when guidance for a transaction or event is not specified within U.S. GAAP
- The AICPA staff has observed that guidance in FASB ASC 958-605 is one method that might be considered for application by analogy by for-profit healthcare business entities in which the resource provider is a governmental entity



Employee Retention Tax Credit (ERC)



Employee Retention Tax Credit

The Employee Retention Credit (ERC) is a refundable tax credit for businesses that continued to pay employees while shut down due to the COVID-19 pandemic or had significant declines in gross receipts from March 13, 2020 to December 31, 2021. Eligible employers can claim the ERC on an original or adjusted employment tax return for a period within those dates. Only recovery startup businesses are eligible for the ERC in the fourth quarter of 2021



How to Account for Employee Retention Tax Credit

Conditional contribution – Entities can record the ERC revenue as follows

1. After determination has been made that the organization is eligible for the quarter

OR

2. As a conditional contribution after the funds are ultimately received

However, at a minimum the application & conditional funding should be disclosed in the financial statements



Employee Retention Tax Credit – FRAUD

IRS issues renewed warning on Employee Retention Credit claims; false claims generate compliance risk for people & businesses claiming credit improperly



FEMA Funding



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FEMA Recognition

From the PRF FAQs

- If a provider has submitted an application to FEMA, but has not yet received the FEMA funds, the provider should not report the requested FEMA amounts in the Provider Relief Fund &/or ARP Rural report
- If FEMA funds are received during the same Payment Received Period in which provider is reporting on use of Provider Relief Fund &/or ARP Rural payments, the receipt & application of each payment type is required in the Provider Relief Fund &/or ARP Rural reporting process
- If an entity receives a retroactive payment from FEMA that overlaps with the period of availability, the entity must not use the FEMA payment on expenses or lost revenues already reimbursed by Provider Relief Fund or ARP Rural payments
- Revenue is recognized only after approval from FEMA of the funds applied for

The Future of Accounts Payable



Accounts Payable in 2023

- Invoice images are securely stored electronically & are regularly backed up
- No need to keep paper invoices
- Important vendor information is stored in the AP system
- Vendors can email invoices directly to the accounting software
- Automated AP software also recognizes duplicate invoice numbers

Accounts Payable in 2023

- Approval policies can be automated, reducing paper being delegated & passed around throughout an organization
- In a teleworking environment the need to remove the manual invoice approval is critical
- Accounts payable software has built-in approval policy workflows that can be managed from a mobile device, tablet, or computer to align with this everchanging need
- Payment processing is performed electronically & payments are sent directly from the AP software
- Copies of check images, invoices, & payments are available to your vendors
- Vendors can even decide if they would prefer paper checks or ACH payments

Accounts Payable in 2023

- Integration with the general ledger software avoids requiring double entry of bills from one system to another
- AP software syncs automatically daily or you can manually sync as you need, providing real-time updates
- The risk of fraud is reduced by segregating duties between processing, approving, & paying bills
- Performed in the cloud, reducing or eliminating the need to keep check stock on hand reducing the risk of check theft

Accounts Payable – Fraud

- Fake invoices being submitted more than once, perhaps first under a legitimate vendor ID & a second time under a fictitious vendor ID
- This could be uncovered by looking for potential duplicate invoices
- As a result of increased confidence & greed over time, fictitious vendors often display an acceleration pattern, which is an increase in payments over time
- Examining payments over time by vendor can help identify unusual patterns that can be indicative of fraud

Payment Risk Analytics at FORVIS

- System uses sophisticated pattern-recognition models & proprietary techniques to examine your organization's data
- Harness the power of data analytics to pinpoint possible violations of company policies & identify patterns or trends that may be hard to find on paper
- Identify potential red flags & visualize higher-risk items so they can be easily identified
- The results are then given to a Certified Fraud Examiner at FORVIS, who applies their fraud investigation experience
- We then provide your organization with a detailed overview of our findings & training on how our Payment Risk Analytics dashboards can help your organization further analyze results





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