Information Security Training and Acknowledgement Requirement

The National Science Foundation has mandated that prior to gaining access to the USAP network, including accessing the Internet from a USAP location, all USAP participants are required to:

- o Complete Information Security Awareness training
- o Acknowledge and accept the *USAP Information Resource Management Directives and Enterprise Rules of Behavior*
- o Agree to accept the *Acknowledgement of Information Security Policies and Permission for Use*.

These mandates stem from the Federal Information System Management Act of 2002 (FISMA), and are required as a condition for deployment.

RPSC and NANA employees are required to complete the USAP Information Security Awareness Training and USAP Enterprise Rules of Behavior Acknowledgement at Deployment Orientation.

Computer Requirements for Connecting to the USAP Network

As a reminder, all computers (including science experiments, mission operation systems, workstations, PCs, servers, laptops, and portable notebooks) are screened prior to connecting to the USAP network, or accessing the Internet from a USAP location. This process ensures your device complies with minimum operating system and antivirus requirements. A USAP staff member will screen your device when you arrive in Denver, Colorado; Christchurch, New Zealand; or Punta Arenas, Chile. For information on ensuring your system meets USAP computer requirements prior to your deployment, see *Computer Requirements for Connecting to the USAP Network* provided with the Deployment Paperwork.

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