Reason for the Updates?

The intent of the new federal requirements is to increase competition and transparency in the procurement process.

These updates are for Federal Grant Funds Only.
Sole Source Procurements Limited to FOUR Justifications:

1. Product/Service is only available from a single source
2. Public Emergency Procurement
3. Federal Awarding Agency Authorization (the awarding agency specifically authorizes a non-competitive procurement after a written request from the non-federal entity)
4. Inadequate competition after solicitation of multiple sources
The Most Significant Change...

“Continuity of research” is no longer an acceptable sole source.