As part of the government-wide effort to expend resources more efficiently and effectively, the President signed Executive Order 13589 “Promoting Efficient Spending” — encouraging agencies to reduce costs and improve efficiencies. To further promote and ensure accountability and oversight in spending, OMB issued Memorandum-12-12, “Promoting Efficient Spending to Support Agency Operations” in May 2012. The memorandum directs Federal agencies to publish a report on conference activities in excess of $100,000 for the previous fiscal year on their website each year by January 31.

In FY 2013, CNCS did not conduct any conference activity in excess of $100,000.