CITI On-line Training
REQUIRED prior to IRB approval
The University of Central Florida participates in the Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI) on-line program to meet the requirement for providing educational courses for personnel involved in the conduct of Human Research.

The principal investigator for each protocol is responsible for ensuring that he/she and all the key study personnel (KSP) for the investigation complete this free course, which fulfills the basic human subjects protection training requirement at UCF for a three-year period.

The direct link to CITI may be found at http://www.citiprogram.org. After logging into CITI, select either Group 1 (Biomedical) or Group 2 (Social/Behavioral) under Human Subjects Protection.


**Sustainability in Research through Compliance**

Through compliance, UCF can achieve sustainability in its research growth by building a solid foundation upon which to base its research enterprise.

Please Contact Us
For more information, questions, or concerns, please contact the IRB Office or visit the IRB web site.

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University of Central Florida
Human Research Protection Program

Purpose
The University of Central Florida (UCF) is committed to protecting the rights and welfare of individuals participating in Human Research.

The Human Research Protection Program (HRPP) is a shared enterprise and responsibility. The HRPP succeeds when all individuals in the organization including key committees, students, faculty, and leadership fulfill their roles and responsibilities described in this plan.

Description of the HRPP
The HRPP at the University of Central Florida protects the rights and welfare of human subjects who are included in the university’s research activities. The University of Central Florida adheres to the ethical principles outlined in the 1979 report of The National Commission for the Protection of Human Subjects of Biomedical and Behavioral Research titled “Ethical Principles and Guidelines for the Protection of Human Subjects of Research,” also known as “The Belmont Report.” These include Respect for Persons, Beneficence, and Justice.

The HRPP fosters:
- Awareness of, and respect for, the rights and welfare of human subjects in UCF’s research activities,
- Compliance with federal and state regulations by UCF’s investigators and employees,
- Alignment of UCF’s research activities with ethical principles and federal guidelines,
- Effectiveness in the operations of the Institutional Review Board (IRB) as it carries out its responsibilities for reviewing Human Research activities, verifying its conformance to federal regulations, and protecting human subjects, and
- Continuous improvement of the Program’s training, education and outreach, to review and monitor UCF’s Human Research activities, and to assess the institution’s efforts to protect human subjects.

Human Research
The University of Central Florida defines Human Research as any activity that either:
- Is “Research” as defined by the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) and involves “Human Subjects” as defined by the DHHS (“DHHS Human Research”); or
- Is “Research” as defined by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and involves “Human Subjects” as defined by FDA (“FDA Human Research”).


If you have questions about whether an activity is Human Research, contact the IRB office.

The University of Central Florida commits to apply its ethical standards to all research (sponsored and non-sponsored) as well as applying all applicable federal, state, and local law.

Scope of Human Research Conducted at UCF
The following types of studies comprise the majority of Human Research conducted at UCF:
- Educational research
- Human factors research
- Engineering /simulation research
- Psychological/simulation research
- Social science research
- Forensic science research
- Biomedical/clinical research

Institutional Review Board (IRB)
The University of Central Florida Institutional Review Board (UCF IRB) consists of an independent committee established for the protection of the rights and welfare of human subjects involved in research.

IRB review and approval is required for all Human Research conducted by UCF faculty, staff, and students. The IRB maintains a website at http://www.research.ucf.edu/Compliance/IRB.html. Additional information regarding IRB requirements and federal regulations are incorporated into the IRB Policies and Procedures and the Principal Investigator Manual which are available on the IRB website.