

**INSTITUTIONAL REVIEW OF RESEARCH  
INVOLVING HUMAN PARTICIPANTS  
IRB PRESENTATION**

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# INSTITUTIONAL REVIEW BOARD

- The Institutional Review Board consists of a committee established to advocate for the protection of the rights and welfare of human participants involved in research.
- Review is required for all research involving human participants conducted by the University of Central Florida (UCF).
- Approval must be obtained prior to initiating research.

# IRB FUNCTION

- The purpose of an IRB is to review research involving human subjects to ensure their rights and welfare are adequately protected.

# THE ROLE OF THE IRB MEMBERS

- Safeguarding the rights and welfare
- Review protocols
- Assist and guide researchers

# IRB RESPONSIBILITIES

The IRB evaluates proposals for new research and conducts review of on-going research

**When reviewing research, the IRB considers:**

- The process for recruitment
- Selection and informed consent of prospective research participants
- Assessment of the risks and potential benefits
- What additional safeguards are needed if vulnerable populations
- Provision for protecting participants' privacy and maintaining confidentiality.

**For on-going research**

- Evaluate proposed amendments
- Requests for research continuation

# HOW DO I KNOW IF A PROJECT NEEDS IRB REVIEW?

Definition of “research”  
+  
Definition of “human subject(s)”

# IRB REVIEW OF RESEARCH

- All research projects are categorized into one of three categories for the IRB review process.
  - Exempt- Explanation of Research
  - Expedited- Adult Consent or Parent for Child Consent
  - Full Board Review
- \*Level of risk is an important factor in study determination
  - **Minimal risk** is the probability and magnitude of physical or psychological harm that is normally encountered in the daily lives, or in the routine medical, dental, or psychological examination of healthy persons.

# LEVELS OF REVIEW- **EXEMPT**

(REVIEWED BY CHAIR OR OTHER IRB MEMBER)

- Research on commonly accepted educational practices or unidentifiable data Requires Explanation of Research consent
- Document review, educational testing, surveys or observation of public behavior
- Used cautiously with vulnerable populations (seniors, prisoners, children, pregnant women, fetuses)



# LEVELS OF REVIEW- **EXPEDITED**

(REVIEWED BY CHAIR OR IRB DESIGNATED MEMBER)

Minimal risk and fit into an “Expedited” category

- Document review
- Surveys or Interviews
- Collection of specimens
- Routine noninvasive procedures

# LEVELS OF REVIEW- **FULL BOARD**

(REVIEWED BY CHAIR AND IRB MEMBERS)

- Protocols which meet the definition of more than minimal risk
  - Clinical trials
- PI is invited to IRB meeting to clarify concerns

# THE IRB HAS THE AUTHORITY TO:

- Approve
- Require modifications
- Table
- Disapprove

# KEY TERMS

**Anonymous** – No one, not even the researcher, is aware of who completed the information

**Confidentiality**- The research knows who completed the information, but no one else will know

**Privacy**- Refers to a person's desire to control access of others to themselves. It involves consideration of whether the participants will be comfortable with the Human Research situation



# REQUIRED TRAINING

- CITI online human subjects protection training. Study will not be approved until all KSP are trained. Research Personnel must complete either :
  - **Group 1. Biomedical Research Investigators and Key Personnel**
  - Group 2. Social Behavioral Research Investigators and Key Personnel (Basic)
  - <https://www.citiprogram.org/>
- See the UCF IRB website for access
  - <http://www.research.ucf.edu/Compliance/irb.html>

# QUESTIONS ?