

Resource Information:

There are several resources that you as an IRB Member will find very helpful in addition to the IRB Member Handbook. Below are links to these resources:

1. **the OHRE SOPs:** http://research.unc.edu/files/2012/11/CCM3_037329.pdf SOPs of particular relevance, include:
 - 12.0 IRB Actions Following Review by the Convened IRB. (p. 54),
 - 24.0 IRB Evaluation Criteria (p. 86),
 - 24.0 IRB Evaluation Criteria (p.104).

2. Please also take some time to review the variety of resources available on the Office of Human Research Ethics home page: <http://research.unc.edu/offices/human-research-ethics/>
 - i. **Regulatory Documents** <http://research.unc.edu/offices/human-research-ethics/regulatory-documents>

 - ii. **Resources** <http://research.unc.edu/offices/human-research-ethics/resources/>

 - iii. **IRBIS** <http://research.unc.edu/offices/human-research-ethics/resources/>

3. **IRB Forum** (www.irbforum.org) is a discussion forum for IRB members (and others) to contribute issues, concerns and questions in the areas of “ethical, regulatory and policy concerns with human subjects’ research.” The discussion forum is accessible either by the website or through emails received at a frequency you determine (from immediately after posting to a weekly digest). As in all discussion forums, the quality (and accuracy) of the content varies with the contributor, but the discussions are generally interesting and informative. You must be registered to receive the emails or view the forum online; registration is completed here: <http://www.irbforum.org/register.php>. In addition to the discussion form, there is also a calendar of educational offerings (under “Events”).

4. For further information, please visit **the Research Compliance Program** website which has a page discussing the new federal regulations. The page is accessible at <http://research.unc.edu/offices/research-compliance-program/index.htm>. A summary of some major changes with the anticipated policy modifications are outlined along with a comparison of current regulations. Please continue to check the website as it will be updated with information and frequently asked questions (FAQs) that are received from members of the campus community. In particular, those individuals who receive funding from the Public Health Service (PHS) through the NIH, CDC, AHRQ, FDA, HRSA or others will receive additional email training reminders to complete their training no later than August 24th each year.

5. **IRB Member Handbook**. You will receive this when you meet with the Training Coordinator. In Part 2, the Chapters on Reviewing a New Research Proposal and Reviewing the Consent Form are particularly useful.