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 Faculty Sponsors Assist Students with IRB Submissions

Faculty Sponsors hold an important role, assisting students who are planning or are in the process of submitting IRB applications.

The IRB recommends the Faculty Sponsors advise students to contact ORS prior to conducting research to determine if the proposed projects will require IRB review and approval. If IRB review is required, the ORS will work with the students to ensure a smooth IRB application process.

For information about the criteria requiring IRB review, see the September 2011 IRBUpdate newsletter online at: http://www.utexas.edu/research/rsc/humansubjects/newsletter/irbupdate_2011_09.pdf

Faculty Sponsors Serve as PIs for Exempt Determinations

For IRB applications determined to meet the criteria for Exemption from the regulations, Faculty Sponsors are required to serve as Principal Investigators (PIs). Students should be listed as Co-Investigators (Co-Is) for administrative purposes.

An Exempt determination is valid for three years before a Continuing Review Application is required. Upon Continuing Review, if the study requires closure and the student is no longer enrolled at The University of Texas at Austin, the PI on record (in this case the Faculty Sponsor) should instead submit a closure report.

IRBaccess Training Tip

Complete your CITI training as soon as possible as it may take up to two days for IRBaccess to display your completed training.

Please contact the Office of Research Support with any questions, comments, or concerns.
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