Education in Human Research Protection

**Summary/Purpose:** Mandatory educational requirement for all individuals involved in human subject research.

Education is a key component of UM’s human research protection program. Education includes the knowledge of federal, state, and local laws and regulations, relevant professional standards, and the policies and procedures of The University of Mississippi regarding the protection of research participants and the conduct of research.

UM utilizes an online educational program sponsored by the Collaborative IRB Training Initiative (CITI) and hosted by the University of Miami. Investigators, research staff, Institutional Review Board (IRB) members, and IRB staff are required to complete the appropriate CITI course for their group and subject population. IRB applications will be accepted only when all project staff have completed this education requirement.

When applicable, individuals may be required to complete other appropriate training, such as Radiation Safety, Biological Safety, Chemical Safety, and/or other training offered by the Office of Health and Safety. Specific training requirements may be obtained from that office. Individuals are encouraged to participate in additional educational opportunities offered by the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs, other UM offices, and external organizations.

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