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PRIM&R Regional Meeting – September 2014

The Ohio State University will co-host a Public Responsibility in Medicine and Research (PRIM&R) Regional Meeting in September 2014 at the Ohio Union. Educational programs specific to human subjects research include *IRB 101* and *IRB Administrator 101*. *IRB 101* provides a fundamental introduction to the field of human subjects research and will include lectures, interactive discussions, and case studies. *IRB Administrator 101* provides an overview of institutional review board operations and will include information on the key components of human research protection programs (HRPPs), the primary responsibilities of administrators, and a review of strategies and policies for developing and/or strengthening an institution's HRPP.

Visit the PRIM&R website at www.primr.org/subpage.aspx?id=5589 for additional information and registration details. Registration is open through September 5th.

ORRP Launches New IRB “Study Team Lookup” Tool

The Office of Responsible Research Practices announced the launch of “Study Team Lookup,” a new tool located within the “Protocol Lookup”

Application. This tool was designed to increase the efficiency of processing a submission and to prevent delays resulting from incomplete requirements by allowing a user to verify the CITI and COI completion status of each study team member prior to IRB submission. Instructions on how to access and use the new tool can be found on the ORRP website at [Protocol Lookup](#).

Revised Standards for Data/Specimen Research

The Human Research Protection Program policy, *Research Involving Data and/or Biological Specimens* was recently revised to reflect national standards for banking and future use of data and specimens. New guidelines were developed by the IRB Policy Committee and its advisory group to help investigators meet these standards for new human research projects involving collection and storage of data or specimens. See [Research Involving Data and/or Biological Specimens](#) and [Guidelines for Writing a Banking Protocol](#) on the ORRP website.

Additional guidance will also soon be available to help investigators transition research involving data or specimen banking already in progress. The revised standards will be applied to approved studies at continuing review during 2015. Look for the “transition guidance” for investigators to be posted on the [Investigator Guidance](#) page on

the ORRP website. Contact Ellen Patricia at patricia.1@osu.edu or 614-688-5556 with questions.

Changes to IRB Continuing Review Requirements

Investigators are no longer required to resubmit data collection forms, questionnaires, and screening instruments for continuing IRB review, unless these documents are new or are being revised. The *Continuing Review of Human Subjects Research* application and HRPP policy [IRB Submission and Pre-Review](#) have been updated to reflect this change. Contact Ellen Patricia at patricia.1@osu.edu or 614-688-5556 with questions.

ORRP Staffing Updates

Please join us in welcoming Matthew, Brandie, Anna, Jerry, and Amanda to the Office of Responsible Research Practices! These five IRB Protocol Analysts joined our team in June and will be dedicated to assisting researchers with their submissions, participating in educational outreach efforts, and supporting the operations of the Behavioral and Social Sciences, Biomedical Sciences, and Cancer IRBs.

Prior to joining ORRP, **Matthew Carter** served as a regulatory compliance officer in the Clinical Trials Management Office (CTMO) at The Ohio State University Wexner Medical Center. Matthew earned a Bachelor's of Science in Social

Science from the University of Maryland University College. **Brandie Dickens** served as a regulatory compliance officer in The Ohio State University Comprehensive Cancer Center. Brandie earned a Bachelor's of Arts in Political Science from Ohio Dominican University. **Anna Pavan** served as a lab animal health technician in the University Lab Animal Resources (ULAR) at The Ohio State University. Anna earned a Bachelor's of Science in Animal Sciences from The Ohio State University and an Associates of Applied Science in Veterinary Technology from Columbus State Community College. **Jerry Phalan** served as a clinical research coordinator at The Ohio State University Wexner Medical Center. **Amanda Thompson** served as a clinical research assistant in The Ohio State University Comprehensive Cancer Center. Amanda Thompson earned a Bachelor's of Science in Dietetics and a Master's of Public Health, both from Youngstown State University.

Research Thought

"It is a failure of imagination and methodology to claim that it is necessary to experiment on millions of people without their consent in order to produce good data science."

Kate Crawford, Principal researcher, Microsoft Research

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