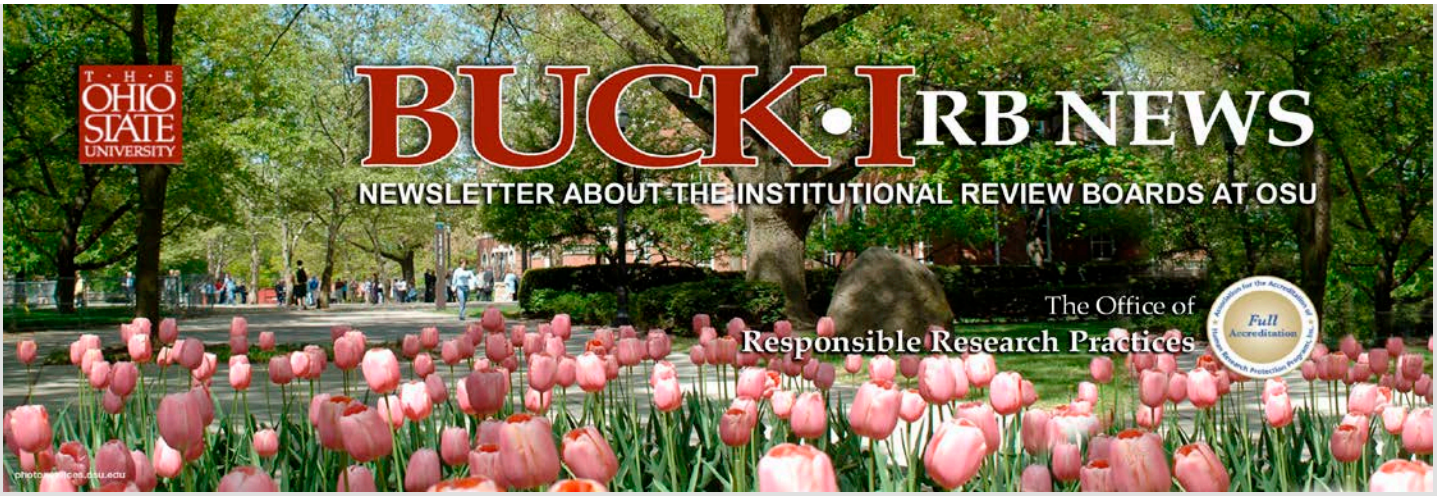

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Buck-IRB

November 17, 2014 marked the launch of Buck-IRB, the new electronic application process for exempt and Institutional Review Board (IRB) review.

Buck-IRB is web-based and uses smart-form technology, which streamlines completion by showing only the portions of the application relevant to the study being submitted. Study-related documents (e.g., consent forms and survey instruments, etc.) are also uploaded and stored in the electronic Buck-IRB system.

Researchers with currently approved studies will be asked to migrate basic study information (e.g., study population, participant numbers, etc.) and documents into the Buck-IRB system at the time of the next protocol amendment or continuing review. Once this process has been completed, future continuing reviews will not require migration or document uploading.

The Buck-IRB web page provides additional information about system features, access, navigation tips, user guides, and upcoming training sessions, as well as answers to frequently asked questions. Contact Susan Ebert, e-IRB program director, at ebert.55@osu.edu or 614-292-0184 with questions.

Your patience is appreciated while transitioning to Buck-IRB. Future system development will include administrative tools enabling ORRP staff to assist researchers with minor application changes (e.g., checking/un-checking boxes, moving documents, etc.) required by the system to enable study changes.

Data and Specimen Banking Guidance Available

Guidance recently posted on the Office of Responsible Research Practices website can help researchers comply with revised standards for projects involving collection, banking, and future use of data and/or specimens. Ongoing studies must meet revised standards during 2015 continuing review. For more information, see Data and Specimen Banking Guidance on the ORRP website. Contact Ellen Patricia at patricia.1@osu.edu or 614-688-5556 with questions.

Assistance for Researchers – Behavioral and Social Sciences

Do you have questions regarding IRB review or exemption procedures, or need assistance navigating IRB policies and procedures? Please make plans to visit our staff during weekly office hours, held from 1:00 – 3:00 PM in 234 PAES. Upcoming sessions will be held on April 8, 15, 22 and 29. Contact Joni Barnard at (614) 688-3405 or barnard.15@osu.edu with questions or for additional information.

ORRP Staffing Updates

Congratulations to **Tish Denlinger** and **Jake Stoddard** on their recent promotions!

- **Tish** was promoted to Senior IRB Protocol Analyst. She is responsible for providing support and leadership to the Biomedical IRB team, including developing effective screening procedures and associated training materials. Tish will continue to assist researchers with their submissions by advising on regulatory and university requirements.
- **Jake** was promoted to Quality Improvement Specialist – Exempt & IRB Review. He is responsible for assisting researchers determine review requirements for their projects, including whether their research proposals meet the criteria for exemption. Jake also supports quality improvement activities for the human research protection program.

Please also join us in welcoming **Jessica Evans, Vanessa Hill, Brett Phillips,** and **Meliha Rahmani** to the Office of Responsible Research Practices!

- **Jessica** supports activities related to institutional collaborative agreements for researchers conducting multi-site human subjects research. Previously, Jessica served as the Compliance Manager for Ohio State's Comprehensive Transplant Center. Before joining Ohio State, she served as Director of Research Compliance and Integrity at Nationwide Children's Hospital Research Institute and conducted FDA-regulated animal toxicology studies at Battelle. Jessica is a registered Quality Assurance Professional

(RQAP-GLP). Jessica has a BA in Zoology from Miami University, Master's in Healthcare Administration from Walden University, and paralegal certificate from Capital University Law School.

- **Vanessa** manages the IRB-directed for-cause audit program and provides regulatory support to investigators, staff, and the IRBs. Prior to joining the Office of Responsible Research Practices, Vanessa served as the Director of Clinical Research Compliance and HIPAA Privacy Officer for the College of Medicine, where she developed research policies and procedures, implemented training and education initiatives, and conducted compliance assessments. Vanessa earned her Bachelor's of Science in Biology from The Ohio State University and her Master's in Clinical Research Administration from George Washington University. She is a certified Clinical Research Coordinator.
- **Brett** assists researchers with their submissions, participates in educational outreach efforts, and supports the operations of the Biomedical Sciences Institutional Review Board. Prior to joining the Office of Responsible Research Practices, he held numerous research-related positions at Ohio State in the Comprehensive Cancer Center, most recently as a Regulatory Compliance Officer in gynecological-oncology. Brett earned a Bachelor's of Arts in Psychology from The Ohio State University.
- **Meliha** provides amendment review and supports quality improvement activities related to regulations for the human research protection program. Previously, Meliha served as a Regulatory Manager in the College of Medicine Office of Research, specializing in regulatory compliance. She has extensive experience in auditing, educational outreach, clinical trial coordination, protocol implementation, and clinical research regulations. Meliha is a Certified Clinical Research Coordinator. She earned her Bachelor's of Science in Biology from Loyola University New Orleans and her Master's of Public Health from The Ohio State University.

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