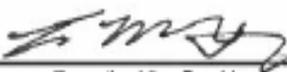


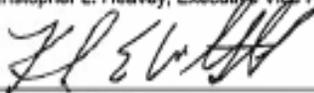


Policy on Research Involving Human Subjects

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Statement of Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that members of the campus community adhere to federal, state, and local regulations, as well as university rules and procedures, when conducting research involving human subjects.

Entities Affected by this Policy

All UNLV faculty, staff, and students involved in human subjects research.

Who Should Read this Policy

All UNLV faculty, staff, and students.

Policy

UNLV faculty, staff, and students involved in human subjects research must comply with all applicable federal human subjects laws, regulations, and policies, as well as all other applicable university, local, and/or state laws, regulations, and policies.

All UNLV research involving human subjects must be reviewed by the Office of Research Integrity – Human Subjects (ORI-HS) or one of UNLV’s Institutional Review Boards (IRBs).

The ORI-HS and the IRBs have the authority to determine the need for and level of IRB review of research that involves (or may involve) human subjects and will establish and maintain the



UNLV Rules and Procedures for Conducting Human Subjects Research (“UNLV Rules and Procedures”). The IRB also has the authority to make a determination of noncompliance and to issue a corrective action plan.

Failure to obtain the required reviews and approvals prior to conducting any research activities involving human subjects, and/or neglecting to follow applicable UNLV Rules and Procedures, as well as instructions or guidelines issued by the IRB, prior to, during, and after the conduct of research or research-related activities involving human subjects may result in the termination or suspension of a research protocol or other appropriate corrective actions.

Related Documents

[Code of Federal Regulations Title 45 Public Welfare Department of Health and Human Services Part 46 Protection of Human Subjects](#)

[Terms of the U.S. Federal Wide Assurance](#)

[UNLV Rules and Procedures for Conducting Human Subjects Research](#)

[UNLV Office of Research Integrity – Human Subjects Standard Operating Procedures](#)

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Definitions

Institutional Review Board (IRB) is a committee that performs ethical review of proposed research.

Research means a systematic investigation, including research development, testing and evaluation, designed to develop or contribute to generalizable knowledge. This includes, but is not limited to, activities involving recruiting and interacting with potential subjects.

Human subject means a living individual about whom an investigator (whether professional or student) conducting research:

- (1) Obtains information or biospecimens through intervention or interaction with the individual, and uses, studies, or analyzes the information or biospecimens; or
 - (2) Obtains, uses, studies, analyzes, or generates identifiable private information or identifiable biospecimens. [45 CFR 46.102(e)].
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