Office of Research Compliance and Assurance

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Research compliance is:

- Understanding what compliance means and sharing this with others in your department
- Being "aware" of the rules and regulations
- Showing and telling others how to "do the right thing"

How do you fit in?

 Be aware of the concepts and components of Responsible Conduct of Research

Conduct of Research

Ensure validity of results/ Maximize return on public investment **Protections/Safeguards**

Provide safety/welfare of subjects & environment

Ensuring Research Protection: Principles & Responsibilities

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Research Compliance Programs



Human Subjects



Animal Care and Use



Biosafety



Conflict of Interest



Export Controls



Responsible Conduct of Research

Responsible Conduct of Research: What is It?

- Individual character and behavior that impact research
- All students & postdocs conducting research at USA is required to certifiably complete RCR training.
- Federally funded faculty are also required to complete RCR training / monitoring.

- Areas defined by funding agencies for RCR
 - Data acquisition and management, sharing, and ownership
 - Conflict of interest and commitment
 - Human subjects
 - Animal welfare
 - Research misconduct
 - Publication practices and responsible authorship
 - Mentor / trainee relationships
 - Peer review
 - Collaborative science

RCR – Why?

- Promote awareness and best practices in research
- Obligation to maintain public's trust
 - Ensure proper stewardship of research funds
 - Protect human and animal subjects
 - Assure compliance with federal/state regulations

Current Climate

• TRANSPARENCY

Circle of Compliance



Ensures the ethical review of research

Compliance Program Support

- Assist with protocol submissions
- Guidance on interpretation of regulations
- Shepherd protocols through the review and approval process
- Provides information to departments about processes
- Education
- Assist with reports of concern

IRBNet

- Online portal for ALL submissions to the IRB, IACUC and IBC
- User Profile-Required for:
 - Investigators
 - Faculty Advisors
 - Key Personnel

We're streamling processes



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