



Summary of Emory University IRB Membership Qualifications and Registration

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To Whom It May Concern:

The Emory University IRB facilitates ethically responsible human subjects research by assuring the rights and welfare of study participants. Emory University complies with the federal regulations for the protection of human research subjects (45 CFR 46 Subparts A-D, 45 CFR 164.508-514, 21 CFR 50, 21 CFR 56, and applicable portions of 21 CFR 54, 21 CFR 312, 21 CFR 812, and 21 CFR 814).

Although the Emory University IRB has not officially adopted the ICH-GCP guidelines, its policies and procedures are in accordance with the ICH-GCP guidelines as published in the Federal Register, May 9, 1997 regarding Institutional Review Board/Independent Ethics Committee (IRB/IEC) criteria 3.1 through 3.4 of E-6.

The Emory University IRB office administers three committees: two biomedical committees (A and B) and one sociobehavioral/public health committee (C). Both biomedical committees meet three times monthly, and meet once monthly strictly for compliance and conflict of interest matters. The sociobehavioral/public health committee meets twice a year or more as needed. (Most of its studies are eligible for expedited review or are exempt.)

Committees A and B each have 11 voting members and one prisoner representative who participates only in prisoner-related reviews. The combined membership has expertise in the following areas: Anesthesiology, Business, Cardiology, Cellular Biology, Dermatology, Digestive Diseases, Emergency Medicine, Endocrinology, Epidemiology, Gastroenterology, Genetics, Geriatrics and Gerontology, Gynecology and Obstetrics, Hematology, Infectious Diseases, Oncology, Ophthalmology, Orthopedics, Otolaryngology, Pathology, Pediatrics, Pediatric Cardiology, Pediatric emergency Medicine, Pediatric Oncology, Pharmacology, Physiology, Prisoner-related issues, Public Health, Psychiatry, Neurology, Nursing, Radiology, Radiation Oncology, Rehab Medicine, Surgery, and Vascular Surgery.

Committee C consists of 12 voting members and one prisoner representative who participates only in prisoner-related reviews. The membership has expertise in the following areas: Anthropology, Business, Education, Ministry, Music, Political Science, prisoner-related issues, Public Health, and Psychology/Behavioral Sciences.

The Federalwide Assurance FWA00005792 has been approved for Emory University and is posted on the OHRP Assurance listings at <http://ohrp.cit.nih.gov/search/asearch.asp>. It expires on March 24, 2013.