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KEEPING THE COMMUNITY INFORMED

This newsletter is designed to get timely and useful information to the IRB research community. Please email HRPO@umaryland.edu if you have suggestions and topics for future newsletters.

FROM THE IRB CHAIR

UMB IRB Chair & HRPO/IRB Virtual office hours takes place the second Monday of each month from 12 - 1 pm.

Link:

[https://umaryland.zoom.us/j/95695695923?](https://umaryland.zoom.us/j/95695695923?pwd=RNkVmEbTox7fbjGaTqGORBojpXAGqJ.1)

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No reservation is required.

CALL FOR IRB MEMBERS

The UMB IRB is seeking new membership. Although the UMB IRB looking for members of varying skills and expertise, *MDs are strongly encouraged to apply*. Prior IRB experience is not necessary. Full orientation and training will be provided.

If you or someone you know is interested in joining UMB's IRB, please email HRPO@umaryland.edu with the subject "IRB Volunteer"



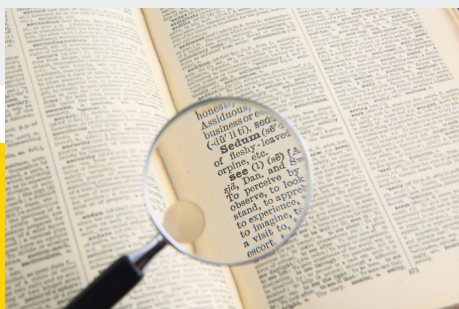
DID YOU DO YOUR REQUIRED TRAINING?

We would like to remind PIs that they are required to complete Blackboard training, in addition to CITI & HIPPA training. If you are a new PI, you are required to complete the "Expired Protocol" training. If you are submitting a reliance agreement for review, you are required to complete the "Reliance Agreement" training. Please contact Tom Cole (thomascole@umaryland.edu) for access.



Just in Time (JIT) Protocols

To better serve our community, the HRPO/IRB requests that "JIT" be noted in the protocol title and in the "Lay Summary" section of the protocol. This should only be included for federally funded JIT proposals.



Tip for Protocol Submission

Please be sure to review your protocol for consistency and clarity. This will allow for a more efficient review of your protocol.

Are your data or specimens truly de-identified?

If your data have any of the following, it is not de-identified:

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| • Name | Vehicle info |
| • Address | Device IDs |
| • Dates | URLs |
| • >89 years old | IP address |
| • Phone/fax # | Biometrics |
| • Email | Face Photo |
| • Social Security # | Medical ID # |
| • Health plan # | Account # |
| • Certificate/license # | |
| • Any other unique ID #, characteristic or code, unless otherwise permitted by the Privacy Rule for re-identification | |

