

Guidelines for Submitting a Study for WMed IRB Review

If you have problems or questions while completing this process, please contact the IRB office.

Note: The last step in the submission process is obtaining the Appropriate Institutional Sign-off

Step 1: Develop a research plan and write a protocol. Use the finalized protocol to complete the IRB application.

Step 2: Complete the electronic COI (<http://imedris.med.wmich.edu>) and CITI Human Subject Protection modules (<http://www.citiprogram.org>).

NOTE: Protocol title, COI title and IRB application title MUST be the same.

Step 3: Access WMed IRB information from the **WMed Research** website.

Step 4: Go to the **Compliance and Integrity** link then to the **Human Subjects** link.

Step 5: Locate on the Left side of the screen the link to **IRB Forms**.

Step 6: Select the appropriate application or form(s):

a) **IRB Study Application Forms**

- Initial Submission Application
- Request for Exempt Determination
- Initial Application- HUD
- Request to Rely on External IRB

b) **Additional Forms**

As applicable, Supplemental Forms A-M are for special conditions needing IRB review.

- Form A- Research Involving Children as Subjects
- Form B- Research Involving Prisoners as Subjects
- Form C- Research Involving Pregnant Women
- Form D- Research Involving Subjects with Impaired Decision Making
- Form E- Request for Waiver, Alteration and/or Waiver of Documentation of Consent
- Form F- Request for Waiver or Alteration of HIPAA Authorization
- Form G- Research Involving Exercise Interventions, Testing or Training
- Form H- Research Involving Drugs or Biologics
- Form I- Research Involving Medical Devices
- Form J- Storing Data or Specimens for Future Research
- Form K- Research Involving the Internet
- Form L- Collaborative Research
- Form M- Transnational Research

c) **Researcher Forms and Documents**

- Modification Form
- Study Closure Form
- Continuing Review Form
- Continuing Review Form- HUD
- Emergency Use Reporting Form
- Event Reporting Form
- Request to Rely on WMed IRB

- Step 7:** Save a copy of the fillable Word document to your desktop and provide the requested information on the application and any supplemental forms (if applicable).
- Step 8:** Create any informed consent document(s), assent document(s), script or information sheet (if applicable).
- Step 9:** Complete the HIPAA Authorization document (if applicable).
- Step 10:** Create the required documents (recruitment materials, surveys/questionnaires, investigator brochure, datasheets, etc.) that are needed to support the information provided in the application.
- Step 11:** Provide a copy of the WMed Affiliated CITI training certificates for all research team members. Provide a copy of the PI and any co-I CVs. People listed as research team members do not need to provide a CV.
- Step 12:** Choose the appropriate Institutional Research Assurance/Approval Form and obtain sign-off by the appropriate person.
- Institutional Proposed Study Assurance and Approval- WMed Sites
 - Institutional Proposed Study Assurance and Approval- WMed Affiliated Institutions
- Step 13:** Investigators at Bronson, Borgess and other sites:
- All investigators are **required** to submit a **Research Proposal** and **Institutional Proposed Study Assurance and Approval** form to:
- Bronson Investigators submit to **Chris Sangalli**, VP Risk and Compliance; Chief, Compliance Officer
sangallc@bronsonhg.org
- Borgess investigators submit to **Christine Campbell**, Corporate Executive Assistant, who will facilitate in obtain the needed signature.
Christine.Campbell2@ascension.org
- WMed investigators submit to **Dale Vandr **, Associate Dean of Research
Office.Research@med.wmich.edu
- **Note: if the study is being done at multiple sites, you need to obtain institutional sign-off from all sites.**
 - The study protocol is to be included with the Institutional Assurance and Research Approval Form for sign-off. **A synopsis or brief description of the study will NO LONGER be acceptable.**
 - This document is used to verify that the institution is aware and will allow the research to be conducted at their institution.
- Step 14:** Email the completed IRB application and all associated and required documents to irb@med.wmich.edu.
- You will need to email a copy of the Word documents or print the documents, scan them then email them to the IRB.
- Step 15:** On the subject line of your email, indicate the specific application that is being submitted with the WMed IRB#, if known.
- Step 16:** In the body of your email, include the PI name and study title.
- Step 17:** The IRB will send a confirmation of receipt email.