1) Grant Congruency Review - Shift in Responsibility from IRB to the Principal Investigator

- Since 2000, Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) policy explicitly required that IRBs complete a review of all HHS funding proposals that involved human subjects research, for the purpose of documenting “that the proposed research is consistent with any relevant protocol(s) submitted to, or previously approved by, the IRB.” HHS additionally required that “a copy of the HHS application or proposal should be retained among IRB records.”

- The 2018 Revised Common Rule (“RCR”) removed the requirement for IRBs to review funding proposals to ensure congruency between funding proposals and IRB protocols, however the institutional responsibility remains.

- At the June 1st, 2023, UCLA Human Research Policy Board (HRPB) meeting, the Board decided that the Principal Investigator will now be responsible for completing a funding proposal vs. IRB protocol review to assess the congruency between federal funding proposals and IRB protocols submitted for UCLA IRB review or Certification of Exemption from IRB Review.

- The webIRB and BruinIRB PI Assurances are being modified to include the following statement: “I will ensure the federal funding proposals and IRB proposals are congruent, as applicable” and will be included in an upcoming system update.

2) OHRPP’s “Learn at Lunch” – upcoming presentation

"How to Submit IRB Approved Research Payment Request"
Presenter: Bianca Caufield, Manager, UCLA Payment Solutions and Compliance
Description: Come learn how to submit requests for participant payments and the mechanisms of payments allowable under UC policies
Date: Wednesday, November 8, 2023
Time: Noon-1pm
Location: Zoom (Register for this meeting)

3) OHRPP’s “Learn at Lunch” – save the dates
"Review of QIU's Template Consent SOP and How You Can Use It to Prevent Enrollment Deviations"
Presenter: Moore Rhys, OHRPP
Description: To assist study teams with CAPAs for deviations relating to the consent process, OHRPP’s QIU has developed a template SOP that study teams can use to ensure a consistent process. This session will review the content of the template SOP (including why certain steps are included) and provide the template document for teams to use to prevent deviations.
   Date: Tuesday, December 5th, 2023
   Time: Noon-1pm
   Location: Zoom (Register for this meeting)

"The Ethical Challenges of AI in Research"
Presenter: Alex Bui, PhD; Director of the UCLA Medical & Imaging Informatics Group; Director of UCLA’s “Bridge2AI” Coordination Center (NIH initiative)
Date: Wednesday, January 30, 2024
Time: Noon-1pm
Location: Zoom (Register for this meeting)

4) Updated Guidance Documents

- Guidance: Funding Considerations for Federally-Funded and Industry Sponsored Human Research
- Guidance and Procedure: Funding Proposals & UCLA IRB Review
- Guidance: Materials Required for IRB Review and Approval
- Guidance and Procedure: Research Involving Non-English Speaking Research Participants
- Guidance and Procedure: Recruitment and Screening Methods and Materials
- Guidance and Procedure: Collection, Use, Sharing and Secondary Analyses of Human Specimens and/or Data for Research Purposes
- Guidance and Procedure: IRB Reliance

5) OHRPP’s Office Hours
   - Register once to join any Thursday session:

   Upcoming Office Hours:
   - November 9, 2023, at 2pm
   - December 7, 2023, at 2pm
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