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AAHRPP Site Visit

- UCLA submitted for and received initial accreditation in 2012
- Re-accreditation cycles are every 5 years
- We are currently scheduling the site visit portion of our current re-accreditation application
  - Will take place March 1-4, 2022
- The site visit will be virtual (on zoom)
AAHRPP Site Visit

- AAHRPP site visitors will interview a number of stakeholders during the visit, including:
  - OHRPP staff
  - IRB members and Chairs
  - Investigators and research staff

- OHRPP will be providing preparation materials to all of those who are selected for interviews for the site visit
BruinIRB is the new IRB submission system that will gradually replace webIRB.

BruinIRB is a simplified IRB application that relies on protocol upload instead of pages and pages of questions about the project.
There are three stages of the transition plan (based on types of applications to the IRB)

- Phase 1a (launched)
- Phase 1b (expected to launch in December)
- Phase 2 (expected to launch in 2022)

OHRPP is developing protocol templates for each stage of the roll-out
The ORIS team led by Mike Yuan and Jackson Jeng are doing an amazing job of bringing this more user-friendly system to OHRPP, including coordination with other campus stakeholders whose processes are reliant on data from the IRB system.

A faculty and staff advisory group is contributing to the development plans as well.
PHASE 1A launched earlier this year for new submission of requests for clinical use of restricted Drugs/Devices/Biologics:

- Expanded Access (single patient or multiple patient protocols)
- Emergency Use
- Right To Try
- Humanitarian Use Devices
PHASE 1B is currently in development and is expected to launch mid December 2021 for submission of new reliance applications

- Where UCLA investigators are relying on an external IRB for review (and must submit an administrative application to OHRPP of that external review)
PHASE 2 is currently in development and will be launched in 2022 for submission of all other new IRB applications

- This will be followed by a process of migrating existing studies from webIRB to BruinIRB
OHRPP Office Hours

- OHRPP Quality Improvement Unit staff are hosting *half-hour open Q/A sessions every other week* to answer your questions.

- Upcoming sessions
  - Tuesday, October 26, 2021 8:30am
  - Tuesday, November 9, 2021 8:30am

Register once and you can join any session.
To be in the know when OHRPP releases updated guidance and offers training opportunities, please subscribe to *Human Research News*.

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BruinIRB Transition Information