

**Tarrant County College District
Institutional Review Board
Expedited Review Form**

An expedited review is typically carried out by the IRB Chair or their designee and involves research that doesn't involve more than minimal risk to participants. Minimal risk is defined as: *the probability and magnitude of harm or discomfort anticipated in the research are not greater than those encountered in daily life or through the performance of routine physical or psychological exams/tests*. While the IRB Chair can review and approve expedited review research, the Chair cannot disapprove research proposals without moving the research project to full review.

Research activities eligible for expedited review:

- (a) Clinical studies of drugs and medical devices only when certain conditions are met (see regulations).
- (b) Collection of blood samples by finger stick, heel stick, ear stick or venipuncture.
- (c) Prospective collection of biological specimens for research purposes by noninvasive means.
- (d) Collection of data through noninvasive procedures (not involving general anesthesia or sedation) routinely employed in clinical practice, excluding procedures involving x-rays or microwaves.
- (e) Research involving materials (data, documents, records or specimens) that have been collected, or will be collected solely for non-research purposes (such as medical treatment or diagnosis). (Note: Some research in this category may be exempt from the HHS regulations for the protection of human subjects according to [45 CFR 46.101\(b\)\(4\)](#)).
- (f) Collection of data from voice, video, digital or image recordings made for research purposes.
- (g) Research on individual or group characteristics or behavior (including, but not limited to, research on perception, cognition, motivation, identity, language, communication, cultural beliefs or practices and social behavior) or research employing survey, interview, oral history, focus group, program evaluation, human factors evaluation or quality assurance methodologies. (Note: Some research in this category may be exempt from the HHS regulations for the protection of human subjects according to [45 CFR 46.101\(b\)\(2\) and \(b\)\(3\)](#)).

Expedited review may also be used to review minor changes in previously approved research.

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Date:

Research Proposal Title:

Principal Investigator:

Department:

Phone:

Email address:

Co-Investigator:

Department:

Phone:

Email address:

Anticipated Funding Source:

Projected Duration of Research: months

Proposed Projected Starting Date:

Other organizations and/or agencies, if any, involved in the study:

SUMMARY ABSTRACT: Please supply the following information below, a BRIEF description of the: (a) participants, (b) location(s) of the project, (c) procedures to be used for data collection, (d) whether data will be confidential or anonymous, (e) storage of the data and (f) who will have access to the data. Attach a copy of the Informed Consent Form, surveys and any recruitment material to be used in the project.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR:

- (a) Any additions or changes in procedures in the protocol will be submitted to the IRB for written approval prior to changes being implemented.
 - (b) Any problems connected with the use of human subjects once the project has begun must be communicated to the IRB Chair.
 - (c) The Principal Investigator is responsible for retaining informed consent documents for a period of three years after the project.
 - (d) The Principal Investigator shall notify the TCCD IRB chairperson when the research proposal has been approved or modified by another institution's IRB.
 - (e) The Principal Investigator will provide a copy of the final research results to TCCD's IRB and complete the IRB's [Research Closure Form](#).
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Principal Investigator Signature and Date:

Co-Investigator Signature and Date (if appropriate):

**Please note that the IRB Chair uses the [Expedited Research Checklist](#) as a guideline when review exempt research. It would behoove researchers to align their research proposal with the checklist's criteria.*

Email forms and supporting documentation to: irb.irpe2@tccd.edu.