



# BUCK-I·RB NEWS

NEWSLETTER ABOUT THE INSTITUTIONAL REVIEW BOARDS AT OSU

## END OF SCHOOL YEAR EDITION

### Office of Responsible Research Practices Observes Regular Business Hours Summer Quarter

The Office of Responsible Research Practices (ORRP) continues regular business hours (8am to 5pm) to support the University's human subjects research program throughout the summer. ORRP staff are available to assist faculty, staff, and students seeking committee approvals to conduct research involving human subjects and to support the operations of OSU's Institutional Review Boards (IRBs). The OSU Biomedical, Cancer, and Behavioral and Social Sciences IRBs also maintain their regular meeting schedules. For more information, see [Meeting Dates](#) on the ORRP website.

ORRP also provides summer educational offerings and office hours for human subjects researchers as described below.

#### IRB Training for Students

Students and other research staff are encouraged to attend information sessions to learn about the IRB approval and exemption processes. Sessions are held quarterly.

Training includes information about what types of studies can be considered exempt from IRB review, details about procedures and timelines for seeking approvals, and an opportunity to ask questions about specific projects.

##### Next Training Date:

**August 7, 2009**  
**2:00-3:00pm 20 Page Hall**

Registration is co-sponsored by the Graduate School. Register at [Event Registration](#).

**Training Online via Streaming Video Coming Soon!**

#### ORRP Office Hours

ORRP holds drop-in office hours to help researchers who prepare IRB submissions and exemption requests. No appointment is necessary. These individualized sessions are offered to help student and faculty researchers navigate IRB forms, policies, and review procedures.

##### Behavioral/Social Science Office Hours:

**215A Physical Activities and Education Services building**  
**1-4pm Wednesdays**

##### Biomedical/Cancer Office Hours:

**635 Fry Hall**  
**2-4pm, 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesdays of each month**

For more information, see ORRP website at [Workshops/Seminars](#).

## Reporting Human Subjects Research Concerns – New Website

The Ohio State University is dedicated to protecting the rights, welfare, and safety of its research participants.

OSU faculty, staff, students, and volunteers are encouraged to report suspected or actual wrongful conduct associated with human subjects research.

Various reporting options are available: anonymous reporting via telephone or the Internet; or by emailing, writing, or calling the Office of Responsible Research Practices. Those outside the (614) calling area may call toll-free at (800) 678-6251.

It is helpful to provide as much information as possible so that a thorough investigation can be conducted. Please see [Report Human Subjects Research Concerns](#) on the ORRP website for reporting information.

## IRB Forms Help

Forms help sessions target faculty/students submitting initial applications to the IRBs. Separate sessions are held for medical and non-medical research. Sessions are posted on the ORRP website at [Workshops/Seminars](#).

### Next Training Date:

**July 15, 2009**  
**3-4pm 113 Research Foundation**

This session will target Behavioral & Social Sciences IRB forms, but it is open to all researchers.

## Watch for IRB “Form Changes” Help Sessions Autumn Quarter!

## “On Being a Scientist” Available Online

The third edition of “On Being a Scientist: A Guide to Responsible Conduct in Research” is now available online from the National Academies Press (NAP).

NAP says that “On Being a Scientist is aimed primarily at graduate students and beginning researchers, but its lessons apply to all scientists at all stages of their scientific careers.” Read it online free on the ORRP website at [On Being a Scientist: Third Edition](#) (National Academies Press).

## HRPP Policies Posted

The ORRP website provides links to the OSU Human Research Protection Program (HRPP) policies, which were developed to assist investigators, research staff, and students with information about the federal and University human subjects protection requirements.

All HRPP policies were approved by the IRB Policy Committee (IPC). Suggestions and feedback on policies and IRB procedures can be provided to the IPC by contacting a Committee member or by email at [IRBPolicy@osu.edu](mailto:IRBPolicy@osu.edu). For more information, see [IRB Policy Committee](#) on the ORRP website.

OSU HRPP policies are posted at [OSU Human Research Protection Program Policies](#).

## Did You Know...?

In addition to contact information, short biographies and photos of ORRP staff are posted online. Learn more about the ORRP staff at [Contact Us](#).

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