A GUIDE TO GETTING YOUR CLINICAL TRIAL

GOING AT EMORY UNIVERSITY
Initial Steps and Important Contact Information

DEPARTMENT OF MEDICINE

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If you have a multi-center clinical trial, the confidential disclosure agreement (CDA) needs to be signed therefore submit the CDA to the Office of Sponsored Programs (OSP) at email below for review before the sponsor sends protocol to you.

OSP-CONTRACTS@LISTSERV.CC.EMORY.EDU

Contract Tracking System (eCTS): provides the status of incoming agreements handled by the OSP Contracts Unit.

http://www.ogca.emory.edu/ra-systems/ects.html

Once the CDA is signed by OSP and the sponsor reviews it, you should receive a protocol, contract template, budget (if already prepared, otherwise the Office of Clinical Research (OCR)) will assist. See below), and IDE or IND number (if applicable) from the sponsor.

Determine how the trial will be operationalized. Identify where procedures will take place since this can have a significant impact on how the prospective reimbursement analysis (PRA) and budget are developed.
Complete the clinical research readiness checklist including lab, nursing and radiology checklist. If the trial has radiology procedures, submit to radiology for review just prior to OCR submission by completing the Radiology Research Checklist. [http://www.irb.emory.edu/forms/clinical.html](http://www.irb.emory.edu/forms/clinical.html)

**For more information, contact Laura Dean at 404-778-7931**

If the research study will use one of the Clinical Research Network (CRN) sites, submit the initial application with the other documents to the CRN Or if you have CRC/ACTSI approval, provide their letter of support. [http://actsi.org/what-we-do/index.html](http://actsi.org/what-we-do/index.html)

Additionally, it may be helpful to contact affiliated sites if subjects are enrolled at any of the following sites to obtain additional guidance on what is required:

- Atlanta Veteran’s Administration Medical Center (AVAMC);
- Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta (CHOA);
- Clinical Research Network (CRN);
- Grady Memorial Hospital (GMH).
Next, send to the following:

1. Office of Clinical Research

How to Submit to OCR:

(Only necessary if your study has billables)
Email all appropriate document below to

- OCR at OCR@emory.edu

And

Research Administration Services (RAS team) at domraspreaward@emory.edu. The RAS unit will ensure that proposals are entered and routed in a timely manner and assist the PI in preparing and finalizing the budget justification for each proposal. (see below for team contact information)

Documents to be submitted:

- **OCR Submission Form** - All items must be filled out completely for both initial and amendment submissions
- Protocol-final version, draft protocols cannot be accepted
- Draft Inform Consent (Emory draft required)
- Draft Clinical Trial Agreement (CTA) or contract/Award (if Federal funding)
- Draft Budget Template
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- **Investigator Effort calculation**
- Most recent FDA communications, e.g., IND letter that includes IND number, IDE letter that includes IDE number and category assignment
- If using any CHOA services, submit the budget grid from CHOA’s CTO which accompanies the BAF (Budget Approval Form).

2. **Also submit your proposal to the IRB with:**

- Written Protocol
- Draft informed consent using current Emory template: [http://www.irb.emory.edu/forms/consent_toolkit/index.html](http://www.irb.emory.edu/forms/consent_toolkit/index.html)
- Drug/device Information
- Recruitment material

3. **Office of Sponsored Programs (OSP) also gets the budget for review and negotiation. They have the final authority on all budgets being submitted.**

*This is often the rate limiting step!!!*
4. Follow up on approvals and completed contracts/budgets from:

- OCR
- RAS
- OSP
- IRB

There is often a bit of back and forth before these approvals are completed. Don’t give up.

OSP will communicate award acceptance. Please note that award does not become official until an eNOA is issued.

RAS Post Award team will assist with the following:

domraspostaward@emory.edu

(see below for team contact information)

- Requesting sub-awards
- Reconciliation and projection of expenses
- Invoicing (for some award types)
- Effort pre-certification
- Facilitating award changes
- Financial close out of the award
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**Important Offices and Contact Information**

**Office of Clinical Research (OCR)**

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See website for additional contacts
http://medicine.emory.edu/research/internal-research-resources/administration/research-administration-service-team.html
Office of Sponsored Programs (OSP)

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OSP is divided into two teams:

OSP Grants – handles proposals and awards

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VA Research and Development Committee (R&D)
All studies using the Atlanta VA Medical Center as a site must seek VA R&D approval after IRB approval has been obtained.

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Office of Research Compliance (ORC)  
ORC offers counseling to all Emory investigators acting both as sponsor and investigator

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Investigational Drug Service (IDS)
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http://ocr.emory.edu/ids/index.html
Monitor Visits: schedule Visits

http://www.ocr.emory.edu/ids/
(For monitors to schedule visit, click on link above, then click IDS Appointments for IDS Calendar)

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- **Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI) (every 2 years)**  
  [www.citiprograms.org](http://www.citiprograms.org)

- **Key concepts in Clinical Research for Investigators (every 2 years)**  
  [www.elmprod.emory.edu](http://www.elmprod.emory.edu)

- **Conflict of Interest (COI) (every year or when start a new contract)**  
  [www.ecoi.emory.edu](http://www.ecoi.emory.edu) or contact

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**Atlanta Clinical and Translational Science Institute (ACTSI)**


- Inpatient and/or outpatient nursing units and/or use of resources provided by the Core Laboratory and Bionutrition services

- **Debora Clem**  
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- **REDCap**: CRN Support for Research Electronic Data Capture:  
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- **ResearchMatch**: A secure place for volunteers and researchers to get connected

- **Kateisha Dowdell**: CRN Scheduler: 404-712-2901
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- **Elizabeth Thompson**: 404-727-2579

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**Frequently Asked Questions**

**For Study feasibility Questionnaire**

- **What is the OHRP (Office for Human Research Protections) registration number of Emory's IRB?** IORG # 0000267

- **How much time is required in advance to submit to the IRB?** There is no “submission deadline” per se, rather a completed study submission will be sent to the next available meeting.

**How often does the IRB committee meet?**

Biomedical meets 6x/month: every Wednesday,
2nd Thursday & 4th Tuesday. Sociobehavioral meets 1x/month: 1st Friday

- **Are any local, national, or internal committee reviews required prior to IRB/IEC submission or approval?** Yes, Departmental Review

- **What is the general turnaround time from meeting date to written approval?** 1-2 months however, it varies depending on the contract negotiation. *(Most pending issues can be resolved within a few days. But IRB can’t issue final approval until the “in case of injury” and “costs to subjects” consent sections are finalized, which depends on the contract being finalized for those terms)*

- **Can our site use a Central IRB/EC?** – Emory is selective about using central IRB’s, but we do rely on WIRB for all Phase III industry-sponsored drug and device trials. We also rely on NCI’s CIRB for NCI-funded studies. Other studies are looked at on a case-by-case basis but generally Emory IRB will review.

- **Is a final contract and budget required before submission to IRB?** – Not at all. IRB submission is encouraged as early on in the process as
possible. As mentioned above, though, final IRB approval depends on the subject injury terms being finalized in the contract (though the rest of the contract doesn’t need to be finalized) and the PRA (*Prospective Reimbursement Analysis*) being completed at OCR.