

# Introduction

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The Institutional Review Board (IRB) is a committee formally constituted under federal regulations and institutional policy, and charged with reviewing research involving human subjects to protect the rights and welfare of those subjects. The IRB is composed of members from a variety of scientific disciplines as well as persons from the community. The IRB has the authority to approve, require modifications in (to secure approval), or disapprove research. The IRB also serves as a resource for researchers by providing advice and guidance on ethical and regulatory issues related to human subject research.

The Office of Regulatory Affairs (ORA) is the administrative department that provides support for the functions of the IRB. The ORA also serves as a final gateway for research review by assuring that all other institutional committee reviews and approvals have been obtained, and that all institutional requirements have been met.

The IRB and the ORA are committed to facilitating the conduct of ethical research involving human subjects, in full compliance with federal, state and institutional requirements.

Please contact us at [irbora@unmc.edu](mailto:irbora@unmc.edu) for assistance with the submission of all IRB Applications and forms.

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The pages and chapters to the right of your screen will take you to relevant topics and areas of interest. If there is anything you would like to see added to this guidebook, please let us know.

If you are new to research and working with the IRB, please visit this [page](#) for an introduction to the regulatory process.

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Information regarding IRB staff, chairs, IRB members, and the Assistant Vice Chancellor; as well as contact information can be found [here](#).

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## **IRB Office Hours**

We can be reached by phone (402-559-6463) or by email ([irbora@unmc.edu](mailto:irbora@unmc.edu)) Mon-Fri 7am-5pm.

The IRB offers two virtual learning/training sessions each month.

- 2nd Monday of every month 9-10 AM ([Zoom link](#))
- 4th Thursday of every month 2-3 PM ([Zoom link](#))

Please direct questions regarding virtual training hours to the IRB Education Coordinator: Megan Berger [mberger@unmc.edu](mailto:mberger@unmc.edu) or 402-559-6044

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## **UNMC IRB Federal Wide Assurance**

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### **IRB Number for Each IRB:**

- IRB-01 (Adult; first Thursday of every month except January and July)
  - IRB00000670
- IRB-02 (Adult; third Thursday of every month)
  - IRB00000671
- IRB-03 (Rapid Response)

- IRB00002686
  - IRB-04 (Pediatric; fourth Tuesday of every month)
    - IRB00007222
  - IRB-05 (SIRB; second Friday of every month)
    - IRB00012770
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