Be on the Lookout: 2011 IRB Survey this March

Each year, The Office for the Protection of Research Subjects (OPRS) invites researchers, faculty, and staff to participate in an online survey of the IRB process. OPRS uses this survey to evaluate and improve the Human Subjects Protection Program (HSPP).

Links to the survey will be available on www.usc.edu/oprs

Results of last year’s survey are available on the OPRS website:
www.usc.edu/oprs/private/docs/oprs/IRB_Survey_Results_2010.pdf

Ed Sessions: Human Subjects Research Basics

In-person presentations on Human Subjects Research including how to submit an application to the IRB are offered each month at both University Park and Health Sciences campuses.

NOTE: In-class or individual sessions can be arranged upon request. Call OPRS (213) 821-1154 for more information.

- UPC ed session is scheduled for March 1, 2011 12-1 pm in the USC Credit Union Bldg, 3rd floor conference room located at 3720 S. Flower St.
- HSC ed session is scheduled for April 14, 2011 12-1 pm McKibben Hall 256

RSVP to oprs@usc.edu if you would like to attend.

OPRS now on FACEBOOK

You can access our human subjects and IRB updates/news, and education session dates via facebook at: http://www.facebook.com/pages/USC-Office-for-the-Protection-of-Research-Subjects/136275743094499

OPRS Web Traffic Increase

Activity on the OPRS/IRB website has increased 42% over the past month. First-time visitors continue to comprise 30% of traffic to the site. Use the site to stay current with IRB policies and regulations. In addition to informed consent templates, new brochures and guidance are also available on the site www.usc.edu/oprs/
Articles of Interest

Scientists say animal research ethically complicated, but necessary (Journal Nature)

FDA Says Drug Firms Didn’t Finish Follow-Ups
http://online.wsj.com/article/SB10001424052748703313304576132560915752074.html

Bayer Settles Multi-Million With Hemophiliacs Over HIV Tainted Blood

Globalization of the Pharmaceutical Industry

Company Pays Government to Challenge Pesticide Research Linked to Parkinson’s

Retractions in scientific literature: do authors deliberately commit research fraud?
(Journal of Medical Ethics)
http://jme.bmj.com/content/early/2010/10/18/jme.2010.038125.abstract

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