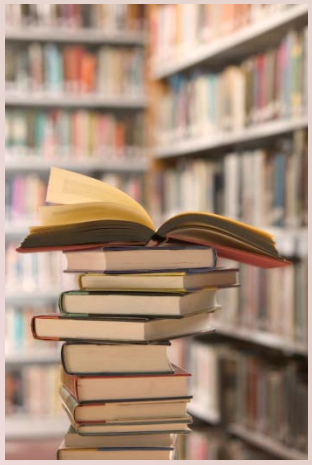
IRB Process Flow Chart

The Institutional Review Board (IRB) is a federally mandated committee that provides oversight for all research activities with the aim to protect the rights and welfare of the human subjects recruited to participate in research. In the United States, the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and Department of Health and Human Services (specifically Office for Human Research Protections) regulations have empowered IRBs to approve, monitor, and review biomedical and behavioral research.



Research, whether funded or unfunded, involving human subjects conducted by any member (faculty, staff or student) of Colorado Mountain College (CMC) or anyone using CMC facilities must go through the IRB review process. The IRB will ensure that research is conducted in a manner that does not infringe on the subjects' safety, health, welfare or well being and ensures institutional compliance with related federal regulations. Title 45 CFR (Code of Federal Regulations) Part 46 provides a guideline for the protection of human subjects involved in research.

*The Step Definition Guide gives you complete definitions of each step you must complete as you go through the IRB Process

Begin IRB Process- Review Step Definition Guide*

Step 1

Determine if your work is "RESEARCH"

No

You do not have to go through the IRB Process

Yes

Determine if your work involves "HUMAN SUBJECTS"

No

Step 2

Complete MANDATORY On-line training

Step 3

Determine which review process is required for your research:

- ❖Exempt
- ❖Expedited
- ❖Full Board

Step 4

Submit the appropriate application with all the required documents

Step 5

Await decision from IRB