

<b>Michigan State University Human Research Protection Program</b>	
<i>Subject: Authority of IRBs</i>	
<i>Section: 4-2</i>	<i>This policy and procedure supersedes those previously drafted.</i>
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<i>Related Sections:</i>	

Michigan State University (MSU) has established Institutional Review Boards (IRBs) to have oversight for all research conducted under its Federal Wide Assurance #00004556. The designated IRBs are:

1. Michigan State U IRB#1 – Biomedical: DHHS registration #00000297
2. Community Rsch Institutional Review Board (CRIRB) – IRB#2: DHHS registration #00003392
3. Michigan State U IRB#3 – Social Science: DHHS registration #00005250

These IRBs have the authority and responsibility to approve, require modifications in, or disapprove all human subject research before it is initiated in order to comply with ethical principles and federal, state and local regulations. Except for activities that do not require IRB approval, all human subject research is subject to continuing oversight and review by the IRB at least annually. The IRBs have the authority to observe the consent process and the research. The IRBs have the authority to suspend or terminate approval of research that is not being conducted in accordance with their requirements or that has been associated with unexpected serious harm to subjects. The IRBs are responsible for prompt reporting to appropriate officials and entities (university, federal or state agencies, regulatory bodies, Office for Human Research Protections, U.S. Food and Drug Administration, sponsor agency, reliant IRB, etc.) of any unanticipated problems involving risks to subjects or others, of any serious or continuing noncompliance with federal regulations or IRB requirements, and of any suspension or termination of IRB approval. Details of the procedures for implementing these responsibilities are contained in the applicable sections of the MSU HRP Manual.