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# The Researcher's Digest

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Human subjects research can be tricky. It can be confusing. But The GC HRPP is here to help. The Researcher's Digest is a monthly newsletter that provides a space to share important updates, reflection on policies, spotlights on investigators and research, and some good fun.

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## COVID-19 Updates



# Commonly Asked Questions Regarding Your Research During This Time

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## Can I conduct in-person study visits?

No in-person study visits may take place right now. If you have an active study with in-person study visits planned, these are to be paused until CUNY reinstates interpersonal interactions.

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## Are you accepting new applications?

Yes. You may continue to apply for IRB approval of your research. Consider outlining your study procedures in phases: phase 1 - data collection/planning REMOTELY, phase 2 - in-person study visits and procedures (once restrictions are lifted).

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## Do I need to tell the IRB I'm revising my project?

Yes. Submit an amendment for all

### Reminder:

All CITI training completions must be active for research personnel. Evidence of completion must be uploaded to the Ideate application of each project for each team member, including faculty.



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## IDEATE

IT support or troubleshooting technical issues?

Email [ideate@cuny.edu](mailto:ideate@cuny.edu) and

changes to your project including personnel updates, altering your plans to conduct research recruitment and procedures virtually, adjusting study timelines.

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### **Is training or assistance available remotely?**

Yes. Rebecca Banchik can offer virtual trainings and overviews of HRPP/IRB via video chat and screen sharing. Please contact her at [rbanchik@gc.cuny.edu](mailto:rbanchik@gc.cuny.edu) to set up a session.

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include screenshots when appropriate. **Include:** PI name, submission type, title, protocol number, and description of issue.

### **Who Can Act as PI?**

1. Full time CUNY faculty and staff and Research Foundation-CUNY staff
2. Adjunct faculty
3. Students and postdoctoral scholars (must have a faculty member listed on the project as an advisor)

### **Clarification regarding exemption and expedited review:**

Both exemptions and expedited approvals require IRB review for a determination. An official decision from the IRB must be made before you may initiate any research activities including data collection and analysis. Only not human subjects research (NHSR) studies may be conducted without prior IRB review since the activities do not meet the definition of human research and therefore the regulations do not apply.

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