

AAHRPP Prep Questions for IRB Members

MUSC IRB Education

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AHRPP Site Visit

Facts vs Misconceptions

Test? Audit?

The site visit is not a test, nor is it an audit.

HRPP Growth

AAHRPP recognizes that the MUSC HRPP continues to evolve and grow, and that we are committed to protecting human subjects.

What is AAHRPP looking at?

- Validation of support for the HRPP from the top down

What is AAHRPP looking at?

- That ALL people within the HRPP communicate and relate with each other

Interviews

Interviews with each group (PIs, IRB Members, etc) are only a small portion of the overall assessment of the HRPP.

Questions

If you don't know the answer to a question, say so! **Adding, but here is where I would find information.**

What is the role of an Institutional Official?



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I/O is legally authorized to act for institution.



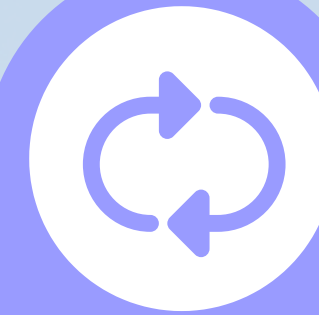
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Assures the institution will act according to the terms of the FWA.



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Ensures the HRPP has the resources and support essential to function in compliance with all requirements of human subject research.



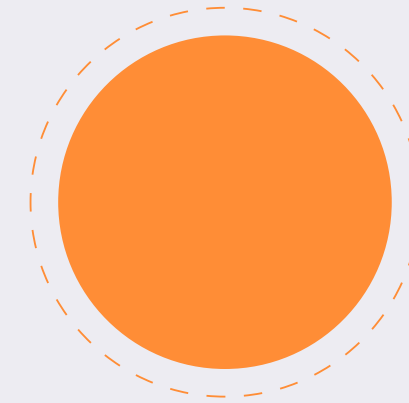
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Timothy Stemmler, PhD

How are IRB members appointed to the IRB, and by whom?

Appointment by institutional leadership, specifically through the Office of the Vice President for Research.

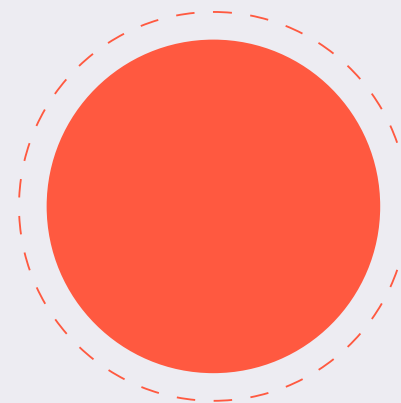
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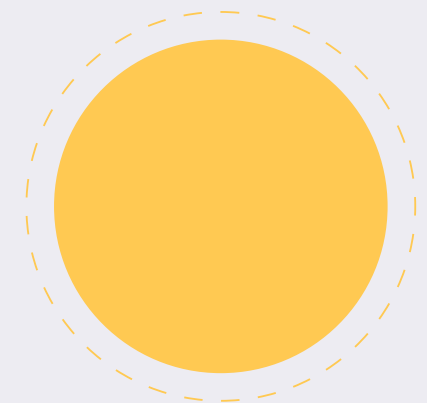
IRB service is a serious institutional commitment, not an informal assignment.

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Member receive a formal letter of appointment outlining their role and responsibilities.



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What training/education have you received as an IRB member?

CITI Training

-Courses in Human Subjects research and GCP are required.

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Orientation

Members receive orientation from IRB staff on MUSC's specific policies, procedures, and eIRB system.

Continuing Ed

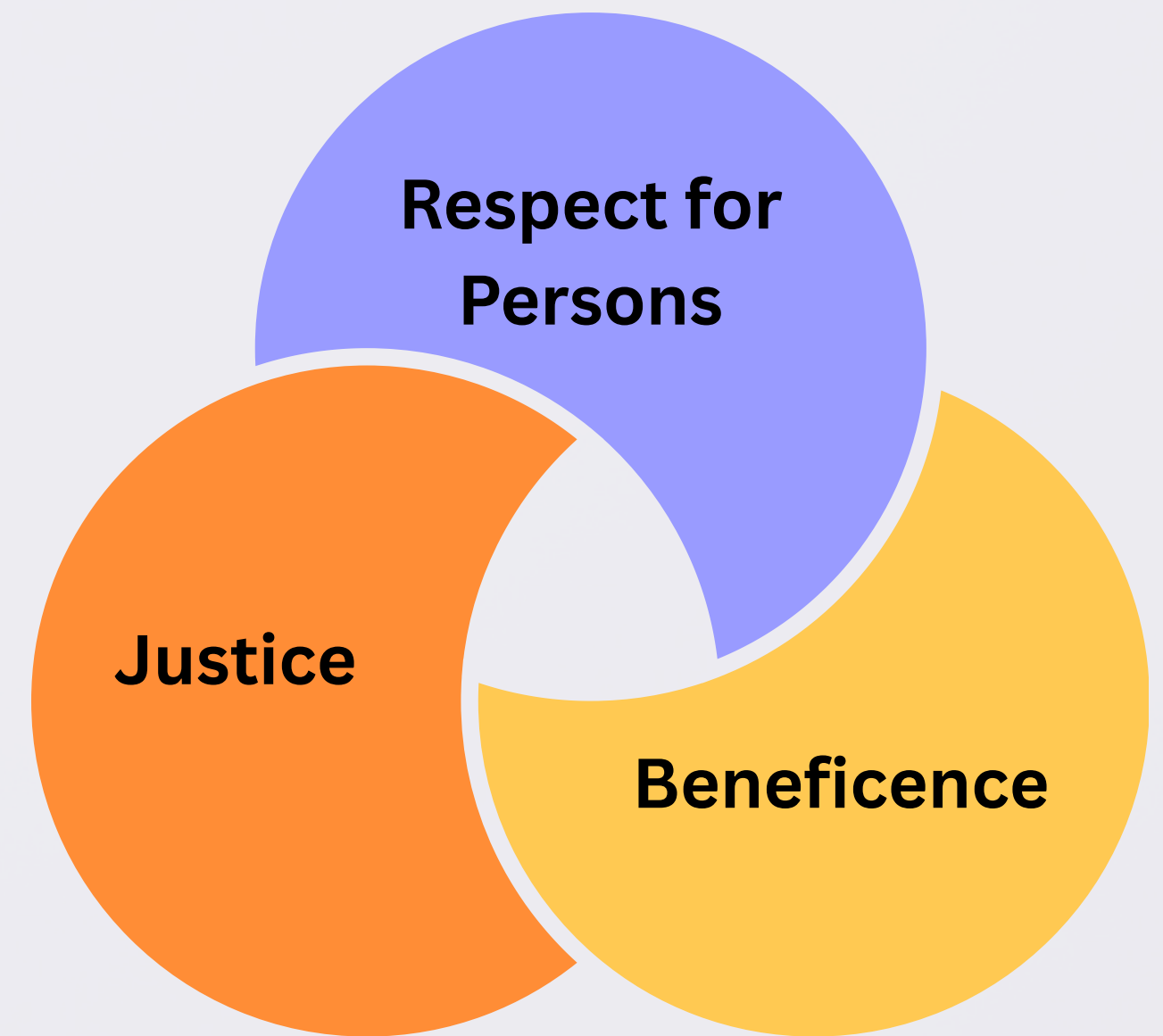
- CITI refresher courses
- Monthly continuing ed during IRB meetings
- Educational sessions offered through IRB office.
- New regulatory guidance presented during IRB meetings.

03

What rules/guidelines do you follow as an IRB reviewer?

The Belmont Report

Identifies the basic ethical principals underlying the conduct of human subject research:



What rules/guidelines do you follow as an IRB reviewer?



Common Rule

- Pre-2018 Requirements
- Revised Common Rule



OHRP



FDA



MUSC Policies & Procedures



HRPP Program

Questions?

