

3354:1-30-06 Policy on Human Subjects Research

- (A) The purpose of this policy is to establish ethical and regulatory guidelines for the protection of human subjects in research conducted under the auspices of Cuyahoga Community College.
- (B) The College may engage in research involving human subjects for the purpose of systematic investigation designed to develop or contribute to the advancement of knowledge. All such research must comply with this policy, even if it:
 - (1) Is only partially conducted by the College
 - (2) Is only partially funded by the College
 - (3) Is not funded or conducted by the College, but the College permits its employees or students to participate as researchers or subjects
- (C) The College's Institutional Review Board (IRB) is responsible for reviewing and approving research involving human subjects.
- (D) Human subjects research must be conducted in a manner consistent with federal and state laws and regulations including without limitation 45 C.F.R. Part 46, known as the Common Rule.
- (E) Cuyahoga Community College adheres to the ethical principles of the Belmont Report which state:
 - (1) Respect for Persons provides subjects the information, time, respect, and opportunity to make informed decisions regarding participation in research with special regard for particularly vulnerable populations. This includes ensuring that informed consent has been given prior to conducting any research.
 - (2) Beneficence provides a thoughtful balance of benefits and risks that protects subjects from harm and regards their well-being.
 - (3) Justice provides for fair and unbiased distribution of benefits and burdens of research as well as impartial and equitable subject selection.
- (F) The President or the President's designee is hereby directed to take all steps necessary and appropriate for the effective implementation of this policy.

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