



**How is this different from the previous UNTHSC IRB?**

For UNTHSC researchers, this is essentially a name change. The same Office of Research Compliance will be the entry point for human subject research protocol submissions as usual.

However, what IS different is that, for those investigators planning to conduct research at JPS, instead of needing IRB approval from both institutions, only one IRB review and approval will be

***Will my current CITI training be accepted for this “new” IRB?***

Yes. For UNTHSC as well as JPS personnel, all current IRB-approved CITI training certificates are still valid.

***What about the IRB Conflict of Interest (COI) Form?***

Conflict of Interest (COI) disclosures associated with a specific human subject protocol (so-called IRB-COI Forms) are the same, except for the name change.

***Will there be any change from my previous IRB staff interactions and this “new” IRB?***

***SPECIAL INFORMATION FOR JPS Health Network personnel:***

The JPS Institutional Review Board has now merged with the UNTHSC IRB to form the multi-institutional ***North Texas Regional IRB***.

Personnel employed by JPS Health Network planning to conduct human subject research must download and complete the relevant IRB forms from the North Texas Regional IRB website provided below:

<https://www.unthsc.edu/research/protection-of-human-subjects/institutional-review-board-forms/>

Please note, the current JPS IRB forms will expire March 1, 2018.

The site above also provides a wealth of guidance and information about human subject protection and relevant federal and institutional guidelines, regulations, policies and procedures.

JPS researchers must submit their completed IRB application materials to the JPS Office of Clinical Research (OCR). OCR will then review the application materials for content and completeness before forwarding it to North Texas Regional IRB for review.