



LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE (LHRC) TRAINING

Virginia Department of Behavioral Health
and Developmental Services
Office of Human Rights - LHRC Training



Welcome

- Introduction of presenters
- Goal for the day:
 - To provide an overview of the human rights regulations as it relates to research.



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Research

- Each individual has a right to choose to participate or not participate in human research.



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Research

- Provider Duties
 - Informed consent (written and prior to beginning of participation).
 - Comply with all federal and state regulations regarding human research including § 32.1-162.17).
 - Review and approval by an institutional review board or research review committee prior to participation in human research.
 - Prior to participation by individuals in any human research project, the provider shall inform and provide a copy of the institutional review board or research review committee approval to the LHRC.
 - Provide periodic updates on the status of the research to the LHRC.



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Research

- **“Research review committee”** or **“Institutional review board”** means a committee of professionals to provide complete and adequate review of research activities. The committee shall be sufficiently qualified through maturity, experience, and diversity of its members, including consideration of race, gender, and cultural background, to promote respect for its advice and counsel in safeguarding the rights and welfare of participants in human research.

***Source: 12VAC35-115-30. Definitions**



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Research

- Role of the LHRC
 - Review documentation of the following:
 - Signed consent of individual or authorized representative “AR”
 - Signed approval by an institutional review board or research review committee
 - Receive periodic updates on the status of the research. You will need to determine what to include in a status update and how often the program should provide the periodic updates.



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Research

- Role of the LHRC continued
 - Make recommendations for information to be included in the periodic update.

Sample Questions:

How is the research going in general?

Does the client wish to continue to participant in the research? (any complaints?)

Does the program continue to comply with institutional review board (IRB) or research review committee (RRC) recommendations? (any changes in the original IRB/RRC research approval?)



Questions?
