

**GUIDELINES FOR CLINICAL RESEARCH INVOLVING DEPARTMENT OF MEDICINE HOUSESTAFF\***

1. The proposed participation of housestaff in a clinical research protocol should be explicitly described in the protocol approved by the IRB.
2. Participation by housestaff in a clinical research protocol must not interfere with their educational or other patient care commitments, or with their adherence to ACGME and other residency program and hospital regulations and guidelines.
3. Participation by housestaff in clinical research must be completely voluntary, and any information collected from them should be anonymous.
4. The principal investigator or a co-investigator for a protocol in which housestaff participate must be available to housestaff for advice and back-up.
5. The Program Director for the Medical Housestaff Training Program is available for consultation about the proposed participation of housestaff in a clinical research protocol.

Researchers proposing to include house staff in their project should submit a summary of the project, including specific clinical protocols or survey instruments, to the Director of the Medical House Staff Training Program.

\* This policy applies to the proposed participation in a clinical research protocol of housestaff on an assigned clinical rotation, e.g. an inpatient ward or intensive care unit rotation or an outpatient rotation. It also applies to the proposed inclusion of house staff in educational or survey research. It does not apply to housestaff who are involved in clinical research during elective rotations.