Dear IRB contacts,

Please note that the BSD/UCMC IRBs have revised their Policies and Procedures Manual. The updated manual is dated February 23, 2018 and can be accessed on the IRB website at http://bsdirb.bsd.uchicago.edu/policies-procedures/index.html.

Changes include:

1. Added new policy on DOD-regulated research
2. Revised guidance on use of coded biological specimens (more restrictive definition for research that is not subject to IRB review)
3. Re-ordered sections to group related items and renamed sections to reflect new groupings
4. Removed guidance that is duplicated by information on the IRB website
5. Added existing policy on use of proxy consent
6. Clarified IRB responsibility for HIPAA review
7. Editorial changes

Effective immediately, please reference this version of the IRB Policies and Procedures Manual for guidance on proposed or ongoing research. Please contact the IRB office with any questions.

Thank you.

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