Ethics Navigation Map for QI, Evaluation and Research Projects

Interior Health

This document can help you:
- Distinguish among three types of projects described below
- Navigating the ethical considerations and approval processes for each
- See Project Ethics policy AL1600 for more information

	Quality Improvement	Evaluation	Research
Projects	Systematic, coordinated, data-guided approach to solving a problem using specific methods and tools with the aim of bringing about a measurable improvement through tests of change.	Systematic collection and analysis of information about a program's activities, characteristics, and outcomes to make judgements about the program, improve program effectiveness, and/or inform decisions about future programming.	An undertaking intended to extend knowledge through a disciplined inquiry and/or systematic investigation. Research is intended to create generalizable knowledge.
Review Process	**Ethical Review** Project Ethics: ARECCI Guidelines & Screening Tools **Operational Review** IH Project Sponsor is confirmed and provides approval (may require budget approval) **Potential Requirements** Privacy Impact Assessment (PIA) may be required if personal information is collected or stored **Output of Review** Second Opinion Review (SOR) Letter of Recommendations *(Required if ARECCI Screening risk score is 8 or more)*	**Ethical Review** Project Ethics: ARECCI Guidelines & Screening Tools **Operational Review** IH Project Sponsor is confirmed and provides approval (may require budget approval) **Potential Requirements** Privacy Impact Assessment (PIA) may be required if personal information is collected or stored **Output of Review** Second Opinion Review (SOR) Letter of Recommendations *(Required if ARECCI Screening risk score is 8 or more)*	**Ethical Review** Research Ethics Board (REB) Application Process: IH REB Webpage **Operational Review** IH Study Intake Form **Potential Requirements** • Privacy Impact Assessment (PIA) • Clinical Trial Agreement • Sub-site Agreement • Information Sharing Agreement • Biobank Registration **Output of Review** Revisions required or Approval Certificate issued
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