



IRB 360 NEWSLETTER

Connecting Research with Ethics

CONTINUING REVIEWS (CR)

CR is an **annual review process** to evaluate if your study is being conducted in compliance with the IRBapproved protocol. This is to assure that the rights, safety, and welfare of your research subjects are still protected.

CR is a standard process required by local IRBs, and comes under the 'Proactive Monitoring' requirement of Singapore's HBRA. Submission of your annual CR is necessary to **ensure the continued validity** of your study's ethics approval.



Non-compliances to the CR requirement could result in a suspension of your study's ethics approval.

Continuing Reviews should be submitted at least <u>4 weeks</u> prior to the oneyear anniversary(s) of the initial IRB Approval Start Date.



Continuing Review Requirements

CR submissions are not required for IRB applications approved under the '<u>Exempt</u>' category.

However, all other applications approved under the '<u>Expedited</u>' or '<u>Full Board</u>' categories are to comply with the CR requirements.

PIs are required to submit a 'Continuation Review' **annually until completion** of the study.

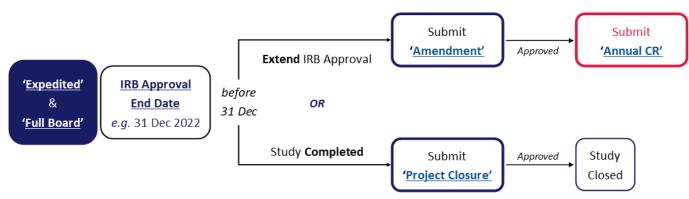


Click <u>HERE</u> for details on CR Requirements and how to submit them.

DID YOU KNOW?

If your study's ethics approval is expiring but you intend to *continue* the study, the annual CR must still be submitted, after the amendment to extend IRB approval has been approved.

All these should be completed before your IRB Approval expires.



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NTU-IRB SEMINAR 2022

Human Biomedical Research Act (HBRA) & Human Tissue Framework (HTF)

OR

11 OCTOBER 2022 (TUE)

2 to 4 pm Experimental Medicine Building, NTU Click <u>HERE</u> to Register 12 OCTOBER 2022 (WED) 2 to 4 pm LKCMed, Novena Campus Click <u>HERE</u> to Register



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