

Scientific and Scholarly Review

Relevant resources include:

1. HRP-314 [WORKSHEET](#) Criteria for Approval: From our ESTR Library, this worksheet outlines the Common Rule criteria for approval (45 CFR 46.111), which refers to “sound research design.”
2. HRP-320 [WORKSHEET](#) Scientific and Scholarly Review: Again from our ESTR Library, this worksheet explains the criteria for scientific and scholarly review in line with the 111 criteria above and other standards, like from our accrediting body, AAHRPP.

Note that the latter worksheet contemplates 1) whether there is any other way to do the research that reduces risks to subjects and still answers the scientific question and 2) that the research is likely to answer the proposed question. These points may need to be considered for some items on this month’s agenda. Our research protocol [template](#) was revised recently to add a question that tackles this:

Is there any other way to do this research that would reduce risks to subjects and still answer the scientific question?

Yes

No (*see below*)

If ‘No’, describe your rationale for how your proposed study is being conducted in a way that does not increase/ensures reduced risks to participants: