



CHECKLIST: Waiver of Written Documentation of Consent

The purpose of this checklist is to provide support for IRB members or the Designated Reviewer following HRP-314 - WORKSHEET - Criteria for Approval when research involves the waiver of written documentation of consent. This checklist must be used for all reviews (initial, continuing, modification, review by the convened IRB, and review using the expedited procedure.)ⁱ

- For initial review using the expedited procedure and modifications and continuing reviews where the determinations relevant to this checklist made on the previous review have changed, the Designated Reviewer completes this checklist to document determinations required by the regulations along with protocol specific findings justifying those determinations. The Designated Reviewer attaches this checklist to HRP-402 - CHECKLIST - Non-Committee Review. The IRB Office retains this checklist in the protocol file.
- For initial review using the convened IRB and for modifications and continuing reviews where the determinations relevant to this checklist made on the previous review have changed, one of the following two options may be used:
 1. The convened IRB completes the corresponding section of HRP-501 - TEMPLATE - MINUTES to document determinations required by the regulations along with protocol specific findings justifying those determinations, in which case this checklist does not need to be completed or retained.
 2. The convened IRB completes this checklist to document determinations required by the regulations along with protocol specific findings justifying those determinations and the IRB Office retains this checklist in the protocol file.

Use a separate checklist for each waiver or alteration determination for a study.

Submission Information

IRB Number: Click or tap here to enter text.

The research must meet one of the following sets of criteria:

1. Waiver of Written Documentation of Consentⁱⁱ (Check if “Yes.” All must be checked)

- The written script of the information to be provided orally (if consent is obtained in person) and all written information to be provided or electronically displayed include all required and appropriate additional elements of consent disclosure in **Section 7: ELEMENTS OF CONSENT DISCLOSURE** in HRP-314 - WORKSHEET - Criteria for Approval.
- The research presents no more than Minimal Risk of harm to subjects.
- The research involves no procedures for which written consent is normally required outside of the research context.

Select one of the following: **(One must be checked)**

- Written information describing the research **is to be provided** to the subject or the subject’s Legally Authorized Representative (LAR).
- Written information describing the research **does not need to be provided** to the subject or the subject’s LAR.

2. Waiver of Written Documentation of Consentⁱⁱⁱ (Check if “Yes.” All must be checked)

- The research is not FDA-regulated.
- The written script of the information to be provided orally and all written information to be provided include all required and appropriate additional elements of consent disclosure in **Section 7: ELEMENTS OF CONSENT DISCLOSURE** in HRP-314 - WORKSHEET: Criteria for Approval.
- The only record linking the subject and the research would be the consent document.
- The principal risk of a signed consent document would be the potential harm resulting from a breach of confidentiality.
- Each subject or Legally Authorized Representative (LAR) will be asked whether the subject wants documentation linking the subject with the research, and the subject’s wishes will govern.

Select one of the following: **(One must be checked)**

- Written information describing the research **is to be provided** to the subject or the subject’s LAR.
- Written information describing the research **does not need to be provided** to the subject or the subject’s LAR.

3. Waiver of Written Documentation of Consent^{iv} (Check if “Yes.” All must be checked)

- The research is not FDA-regulated.
- The research is subject to the 2018 Rule.
- The written script of the information to be provided orally and all written information to be provided include all required and appropriate additional elements of consent disclosure in **Section 7: ELEMENTS OF CONSENT DISCLOSURE** in HRP-314 - WORKSHEET- Criteria for Approval.
- The subjects or subject’s Legally Authorized Representative (LAR) are members of a distinct cultural group or community in which signing forms is not the norm.
- The research presents no more than Minimal Risk of harm to subjects.
- There is an appropriate alternative mechanism for documenting that informed consent was obtained.

Select one of the following: **(One must be checked)**

- Written information describing the research **is to be provided** to the subject or the subject’s LAR.
- Written information describing the research **does not need to be provided** to the subject or the subject’s LAR.

ⁱ This document satisfies AAHRPP elements II.3.G, III.1.F

ⁱⁱ 21 CFR §56.109(c)(1) and 45 CFR §46.117(c)(1)(ii)

ⁱⁱⁱ 45 CFR §46.117(c)(1)(i)

^{iv} 45 CFR §46.117(c)(1)(iii)