Lewis University Institutional Review Board (IRB)

Lewis University Institutional Review Board (IRB) is responsible for reviewing all research proposals that involve human participants prior to initiation of that research.

*All* research projects involving the use of human subjects, regardless of source of funding, must have IRB review and approval before data collection can begin.

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**Does Your Project Require IRB Approval?**

**Do Not make this decision yourself.**

Rather, please view this decision tree to determine if your project needs IRB approval:

**IRB Membership**

New for 2019-2020 and moving forward, the University has transitioned to a centralized IRB committee that represents all colleges.

The active membership and contact information is found here.

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**Research Involving Existing/Secondary Use of Information/Biospecimens**

If you are interested in or have been using information/biospecimens from living individuals, please review this decision tree to determine if IRB approval is necessary.

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**Let us help guide you in the decision process to ensure compliance**

IRB approval is required for human subject research performed by all faculty, students and staff. Not disclosing your research and receiving IRB approval will result in the suspension of your research privileges.

All proposals should be submitted to: irb@lewisu.edu.