

## IRB Review Timelines

The following BC IRB application review timelines are provided for applications that do not require multiple changes during the review process. Changes will extend the processing time. To facilitate review times, investigators are encouraged to use the BC IRB Reviewer Checklist [http://www.bc.edu/research/rcip/human/IRB\\_Members.html](http://www.bc.edu/research/rcip/human/IRB_Members.html) to check the contents of their application prior to submission.

Type of Form Click <a href="#">here</a> for BC IRB application forms	Description	Estimated Review Time
Research Determination Worksheet	This worksheet has been developed to help determine if a project is considered human subject research under OHRP Regulations	1-3 days  ORP responds to inquires upon receipt
Exempt	Exemption review is performed staff in the Office for Research Protections. Research may be exempted if the research is minimal risk, and is considered exempt under 45 CFR 46.101(b) and in compliance with OHRP guidelines.	10 days  <b><i>If complete and no revisions are required.</i></b>
Expedited	Research may be reviewed by the IRB using an expedited procedure if it is <b>minimal risk*</b> and is an expedited category, as specified by OHRP <a href="#">Categories of Research</a>	20 days  <b>If complete</b>
Full Board	Research is reviewed by a convened IRB if it exceeds minimal risk. Examples include: prisoner research and sensitive research topics.	30-60 Days  If complete and no changes are required

\***Minimal risk** means that the probability and magnitude of harm or discomfort anticipated in the research are not greater in and of themselves than those ordinarily encountered in daily life or during the performance of routine physical or psychological examinations or tests (45 CFR 46.102 (i) <http://www.hhs.gov/ohrp/humansubjects/guidance/45cfr46.htm#46.102> ).

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