



SOP: IRB Membership Removal			
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1 PURPOSE

- 1.1 This procedure establishes the process to remove an IRB member.
- 1.2 The process begins when an IRB member resigns or is removed from one or more IRBs. This procedure also applies if an individual is a member of more than one IRB and is being removed from some, but not all IRBs.
- 1.3 The process ends when the IRB registration is updated.

2 PREVIOUS VERSION

- 2.1 Revised from previous version dated 06/18/2021

3 POLICY

- 3.1 The Institutional Official or designee may remove IRB members, alternate members, IRB chairs, and vice chairs with consultation from the IRB Executive Director, IRB Manager, and IRB chair(s).
- 3.2 IRB rosters are maintained using the “DATABASE: IRB Roster (HRP-601).”

4 RESPONSIBILITIES

- 4.1 IRB Office staff members carry out these procedures.

5 PROCEDURE

- 5.1 Remove the individual from “DATABASE: IRB Roster (HRP-601).”
- 5.2 If the IRB Member has resigned, prepare a “TEMPLATE LETTER: IRB Member Appreciation Letter (HRP-561),” have it signed by the Institutional Official or designee, and send it to the individual.
- 5.3 Update the IRB registration of all affected IRBs.¹
- 5.4 File:
 - 5.4.1 DATABASE: IRB Roster (HRP-601)
 - 5.4.2 TEMPLATE LETTER: IRB Member Appreciation Letter (HRP-561)
- 5.5 Remove the individual’s “Committee Member” role in the eIRB+ system
 - 5.5.1 If applicable, update the “Update Eligible Designated Reviewers” activity.

6 MATERIALS

- 6.1 DATABASE: IRB Roster (HRP-601)
- 6.2 SOP: IRB Member Addition (Appointment and Reappointment) (HRP-082)
- 6.3 TEMPLATE LETTER: IRB Member Appreciation Letter (HRP-561)
- 6.4 WORKSHEET: IRB Composition (HRP-304)

7 REFERENCES

- 7.1 45 CFR §46.107, 45 CFR §46.103(b)(3), 45 CFR §46.115(a)(5)
- 7.2 21 CFR §56.107, 21 CFR §56.115(a)(5)

¹ See <http://www.hhs.gov/ohrp/assurances/>. Use the Web site: <http://ohrp.cit.nih.gov/efile/>.