Committee Name: Institutional Review Board (IRB)

Briefly summarize primary activities for the year:

The IRB continued its efforts to assure compliance with federal and state policy regarding human subjects research through:

A. The enactment of review procedures regarding submission of research proposals to the IRB, e.g., limited review for proposals using public data, requiring IRB review of proposals submitted to the University Survey Committee, requiring summary reports from investigators at the conclusion the research project, exempting from IRB review proposals developed in courses with no intent to execute the proposal;
B. Providing professional development of IRB members and principle investigators by requiring completion of training modules offered by the Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI) including certification of IRB members;
C. Development and distribution of materials to educate the academic community regarding the IRB review processes and requirements;
D. Recruit a committee membership representative of the academic diversity of the university and the four campuses.

Briefly summarize goals for the 2021-2022 academic year:

To assure compliance with governmental mandates regarding human subjects research in research conducted by university affiliated investigators through:

A. The development and enactment of appropriate research policies and procedures;
B. Providing professional development of IRB members and research investigators;
C. The development and distribution of materials to educate and inform university researchers regarding the IRB process and requirements;
D. Recruiting committee membership representative of the academic diversity of the university and the four campuses.

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