Interagency Advisory Panel and Secretariat on Research Ethics (PRE)

Update on PRE Activities: Cultivating a Culture of Research Ethics



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The Mandate of PRE (2001 – 2006)



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The Structure





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Evolving the TCPS: Process Values



- PRE's 1st Principles
 - Deliberative evolution of the TCPS
 - Multidisciplinary and inclusive
 - Diversity of approaches
 - Open, transparent consultation
 - Collaborative partnerships
 - Regional, national and international scope
- Formal Public Process Mechanisms of Community Engagement

Working Group Process



- PRE Working Groups Assembled
- Frame the Issues, Questions and Priorities
- Research and Draft Documents
- Public Consultation and Commentary
- Revisions in Light of Input
- Reports and Recommendations

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Community Challenges and PRE's Responses



CHALLENGE RESPONSE

Suppression of Clinical Trial Results Clinical Trials Information WG

Research Delays Streamlining Low-Risk Cases

Research versus Ethics "conflict" Knowledge Transfer to Local Level

REB Riddles Interpretation Services

Local Ethics Education Capacity and Culture Building

Absence of Clear Guidelines Aboriginal WG

New Issues, e.g. Multidisciplinary Research Evolution WG

Growing Number of Research Guidelines Harmonization

Emerging and Future Issues, Needs and Priorities ??

PRE and TCPS Progression





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Projecting Changes to the TCPS



* in progress

Ongoing Ethics Review *

Privacy, Confidentiality and Secondary Data

Proportionate Ethics Review *

CTI Recommendations *

Aboriginal Ethics Norms *

Harmonization: TCPS and GCP

Integrated Stem Cells Standards *

Notions of Harm

Exemptions from Ethics Review *

Review of Course-based

Research

Participatory-Action Research

Consent Refinements

Multi-Centred Ethics Review *

Emergent SS&H Design Norms*

National Placebo Recommendations

REB Procedures, Appeals and Operations

International Research

Managing REB COI's

TCPS 2nd edition (2006+)

New Research Ethics Issues Identification

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