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The new eIRB goes live October 12, 2021. Visit the links below for more information:

<https://www.umassmed.edu/ccts/irb/eirb-implementation-october-2021/>
<https://umassmed.sharepoint.com/sites/RMS>

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Dear Research Community,

The UMass Chan IRB is pleased to announce that the new Research Management System (RMS) opens today, October 12, 2021, at 8am. The direct link is <https://irb.umassmed.edu> and an updated checklist to assist study teams with transitioning from Legacy eIRB to RMS eIRB is attached to this email.

The RMS eIRB library - accessed directly within RMS eIRB -- contains the most up-to-date forms, templates, SOPs, checklists, and worksheets. The main IRB website is being updated to reflect these changes. There are two substantive revisions to the templates - (1) a revamped HIPAA waiver and (2) an updated consent form and fact sheet. The changes to the HIPAA waiver are designed to reduce requests for clarification during pre-review and facilitate the required accounting of disclosures. The consent form and fact sheet reflect the institution's lowered threshold for collecting subject identifiers when paying incentives for participation.

Need Help? eIRB OFFICE HOURS are here!

The IRB staff is offering Office Hours at various time throughout the coming weeks! This time is used to answer specific questions regarding the eIRB and/or overall RMS that might come up while you are completing various tasks in the system.

A schedule of upcoming sessions and a link to the Zoom meetings can be found on the eIRB

Intranet page: <https://umassmed.sharepoint.com/sites/RMS/IRB> . Scroll down the page to find it.

You can join a session any time while it is occurring. We will work with individuals on a first come, first served basis.

To ensure that you get the most out of these sessions, please be sure to:

- review the training course videos before attending Office Hours (they can also be found on the eIRB Intranet page: <https://umassmed.sharepoint.com/sites/RMS/IRB>)
- read the help text in the eIRB module that may pertain to your question
- bring specific questions/issues you may have, and
- be prepared to share your screen so we can work together on your question.

Need more help?

Email: eIRBSupport@umassmed.edu

Welcome to the new eIRB! We look forward to working with you!

Sincerely,

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