I. Policy

The University adheres to all laws, regulations and ethical principles applicable to the protection of human subjects in research. All projects involving human subject research must be approved by the University's Institutional Review Board (IRB) or, in the case of exempt research, its designee.

II. Procedure

The principles and procedures guiding this policy are promulgated by the Office of Research Compliance (ORC) and are contained in the *Policies and Procedures of the Institutional Review Board* and available on the ORC web site at [http://orc.research.sc.edu/](http://orc.research.sc.edu/)

The ORC is responsible for administering the University's program for protecting the rights of human research subjects. It is the responsibility of the principal investigator to submit all required information to the IRB. Requests for information, IRB application materials, and other assistance should be directed to ORC.

III. Reason for Revision

Policy updated to reflect website for all principles and procedures; no substantive revisions required.