

Human Research Protections Program - HRPP
Supporting the work of the IRB and Providing HRPP Oversight



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RE: Single IRB for review of multicenter clinical trials

To Whom it may Concern:

The VUMC IRB is required under the NIH Policy to review for other Institutions or cede review to another IRB when the study is funded by NIH and is conducting the same protocol at more than 1 site. This memorandum is to serve as documentation of our willingness to serve in either role as a reviewing IRB or as a relying IRB. The VUMC IRB is a Participating Institution under the SMART IRB Reliance Agreement and System, the SMART IRB Exchange System, and is also a participant in the Trial Innovation Network as a Central IRB. Please feel free to contact us or visit our website for more information at: www.vanderbilt.edu/irb.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Julie Ozier', with a circular flourish at the end.

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