



SMART TALK

A Community Forum to Explore
Issues Surrounding Single IRB
Review

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Questions are welcome! Please post these under 'Q/A'

Discussion with fellow attendees should be posted under 'Chat'

A link to today's recording will be emailed to attendees. A recording will be posted on the SMART IRB website

Your feedback is valued! Please complete the survey at the end of the SMART Talk! The survey will be emailed as well.

What Is SMART IRB?



SMART IRB is...

A federally funded project to support institutions and researchers in the implementation of single IRB



SMART IRB provides...

An IRB reliance agreement
An Online Reliance System to initiate and track reliance
Zero Cost Education, Guidance, and Resources



SMART IRB is NOT...

An IRB
An electronic system for Reviewing IRBs to receive studies for review

Reach out to a SMART IRB Ambassador



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In need of an overview of the Version 3.0 or the NEW Reliance System?



What to Expect When You're Expecting SMART IRB Reliance Agreement V3.0



Ready, Set, Go: SMART IRB Reliance Agreement V3.0 & the New Reliance System

<https://smartirb.org/smart-talks/>

Having issues? Contact the SMART IRB Help Desk!

SMART IRB Helpdesk is back to full operational capacity, with assistance from our partners at NIH IT.

- Having issues with login? Reliance requests? V3.0? Other? No matter the issue, we are here to help!
- For reliance system: tickets are analyzed to support future development, bug fixes, and more! We want to hear from you!



Upcoming Events



SMART IRB Office Hours

Next Session 7/23/2025 at 2pm ET

Registration Now Open!

Go to SMART.ORG to register



Join Us! SMART Talk (October 15, 2-3:30pm ET)

The Indemnification Dilemma & Single IRB: What? Why? And Why Not?

Moderator:

Nichelle Cobb, SMART IRB Ambassador At Large + Senior Advisor

Panelists:

Emily Chi Fogler, Epstein Becker Green

Others TBD

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How Shall I Staff for Single IRB? Let Me Count the Ways...Exploring Models of Reliance Staffing

Moderator:

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Panelists:

Angela Braggs-Brown, Senior Director, Human Research Protection Program, University of Cincinnati

Malica Dock, IRB Reliance Assistant Director, Rutgers IRB

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