

**UCSF IRB**  
**Initial Review Submission Checklist**

Please include all applicable items in the designated sections of the **Initial Review Submission Packet**, which automatically appears after you complete the IRB Application. You may see the following sections in the Initial Review Submission Packet:

- Initial Review Submission Packet,
- IRB Application Form (in which the application you just completed will be attached),
- Consent Documents,
- Other Study Documents and
- VA Forms.

**Initial Review Submission Packet, Section 1.9:**

- Notes on difficult ethical issues, special considerations for review or requests for special handling (*optional*)

**Consent Documents Section:**

- [Consent form](#), including any parental consent forms
- Assent form
- Information sheet and/or verbal script
- VA-specific consent form

Reminder: For each consent form, include at least a 1.25" top margin and no text in the upper right-hand corner.  
Do not submit the [Experimental Subject's Bill of Rights](#).

**Other Study Documents Section:**

- Tables, charts, diagrams referenced in the IRB Application – paste these items into a Word document(s) and reference the attachment in the relevant application section(s).
- Sponsor's or multicenter protocol
- [Scientific protocol](#) for greater-than-minimal-risk-studies that don't have a sponsor's or multicenter protocol
- Investigator's drug/device brochure
- [HIPAA authorization form](#) (UCSF, SFVAMC or other) if HIPAA authorization is required
- [Recruitment materials](#), including copies of ads, notices, flyers, etc.
- Telephone scripts
- Pamphlets and study handouts
- Questionnaires and survey instruments (excluding standard questionnaires, such as the PHQ-9)
- Focus group or interview guides
- Federally funded studies only: Human Subjects section of grant, proposal or progress report
- Data collection sheets
- IRB approval letters and/or letters of support from [collaborating or cooperating sites](#)
- Letter of support from the patient care manager if study takes place on a patient care unit (not VA, ZSFG or CRS)
- If the PI is a [Postdoctoral Fellow, Clinical Fellow or Resident](#): a letter of support from the Faculty Advisor

**VA Documents Section (if applicable):**

Current versions of the forms are available on the [Research at the SFVAMC](#) webpage or by clicking on the Help icon in iRIS. The uploaded VA forms must be signed.

**Additional Information**

**Research at ZSFG:** If you are enrolling patients at ZSFG or using ZSFG personnel, resources, facilities, or data, submit the [ZSFG Research Protocol Application](#) directly to the Vice Dean's office – do not attach this form in iRIS.

**Univ. of California IRB Review Reliance and Other IRB Reliances:** Register all UC IRB reliance requests in the [UCOP IRB Reliance Registry](#). If UCSF is the reviewing IRB, submit the PDF NOITR form generated by the IRB Reliance Registry in iRIS. [Learn more about relying on other IRBs.](#)