Institutional View Access by the Northern Alberta Clinical Trials and Research Centre

Effective October 29, 2018 the Health Research Ethics Board of Alberta (HREBA) will be enabling improved view access to cancer studies in the IRISS system for research administration personnel at the Northern Alberta Clinical Trials and Research Centre (NACTRC). NACTRC is a joint venture between the University of Alberta and Alberta Health Services and provides administrative and operational services for research involving Alberta Health Services in the greater Edmonton area. This access will apply to cancer and cancer-related studies involving facilities/resources of Alberta Health Services.

View access is a component of the 2016 Reciprocity Agreement signed by Alberta Health Services, Alberta Innovates, College of Physicians & Surgeons of Alberta, Covenant Health, University of Alberta, and University of Calgary. It supports information exchange between parties and facilitates health research administration, in particular contracts/grants management and administrative/operational approvals.

View access for NACTRC will be enabled according to information provided by researchers within the HREBA - Cancer Committee applications on a study by study basis. Once enabled, NACTRC staff will be able to view ethics files in IRISS, including file histories, attachments, approval certificates, etc.

Where a researcher answers or has previously answered “AHS” to question 2 and “Yes” to question 6 (University of Alberta) in the Impact and Operational Approvals section of an application as highlighted below, NACTRC staff will be able to view these studies in IRISS and utilize the information for their administrative and operational purposes.

Question 2.0: Indicate if the study team will utilize or access facilities, programs, resources, staff, students, specimens, patients or their records, at any of the sites affiliated with the following: (select all that apply)

- Alberta Health Services (AHS)
- Covenant Health
- Other (e.g., University of Calgary, MacEwan University)
- Not applicable

Question 6.0: Does the PI have an appointment (academic, clinical, adjunct) at:

- University of Calgary Y/N
- University of Alberta Y/N
- Other Institution Y/N

This access will not change HREBA’s review process.

If you have questions please refer to our website at https://hreba.ca/iriss-view-access/ or contact:

- HREBA at info@hreba.ca
- NACTRC at ron.welch@ahs.ca

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