

Human Research Subjects Protection Educational Requirements for Incoming School of Public Health Students

Effective Fall 2004, **all incoming SPH matriculated students** are required to receive training in initial human research subjects protection and the protection of health information. Training must be completed within the student's first two academic semesters of entering the School of Public Health.

The two mandatory sessions are:

Investigator Training 101- This training session on human subjects protection introduces the participant to a historical perspective, ethical principles and regulatory requirements, applicable Illinois State Laws, UIC institutional policies and procedures, investigator's responsibility when conducting research with human subjects, IRB's role and responsibility and the institution's responsibility, among other topics.

HIPAA Research 101- This training session focuses on the policies and procedures with respect to protected health information as necessary and appropriate for the members of the workforce to carry out their function within the covered entity.

Both training sessions are offered by the Office of the Vice Chancellor for Research, Office for the Protection of Research Subjects (OPRS). Training dates for both sessions are listed on the OPRS website

(<http://www.research.uic.edu/protocolreview/irb/education/initial.shtml>).

In addition, an online course in Investigator Training is also offered as an alternative to attending a classroom session. Upon completion, students receive a certificate of completion. Students who have received prior human research subjects protection and health information privacy training must contact OPRS to have their prior training evaluated on a case-by-case basis before they are considered exempt from the University's offerings and have met the College's requirement.