



National University of Health Sciences General Policies

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POLICY STATEMENT

It is incumbent on National University of Health Sciences to ensure that research conducted either at the University, or in conjunction with another institution, by a member of the University community is of the highest quality possible therefore all new research must be reviewed and approved prior to starting the project. For this policy, Research is defined as a systematic investigation including research, development, testing and evaluation designed to develop or contribute to generalizable knowledge. The Research Committee is a standing committee of NUHS and serves as a resource to NUHS, to the Dean of Research and to the IRB in all matters concerning research activity conducted under the auspices of NUHS. Six faculty members of NUHS serve on the Research Committee. Members are appointed by the President.

As per the faculty handbook the purpose of the Research Committee is as follows:

- To provide guidance and assistance to faculty desiring to engage in research or write research proposals.
- To review all research proposals prior to submission to the agencies.

Activities of the Research Committee include but are not limited to:

1. Advise the IRB regarding institutional commitments, regulations and standards of professional conduct.
2. Review new research projects to ensure that the time commitment, the funding request, and the scientific merit are reasonable and consistent with other University policies.
 - The Dean of Research reviews all proposals and signs them as the responsible institutional official.
 - Additional review by the Institutional Review Board if the project involves human subjects or by the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee if the project involves the use of laboratory animals covered by the Animal Welfare Act.
3. The Research Committee serves as the initial inquiry committee in matters cognizant under the Misconduct in Science policy of NUHS.

Following Dean of Research approval, projects seeking extramural funding will be submitted to the administration for approval. Prospective investigators are encouraged to work closely with the Dean of Research and/or other Research Department personnel during the development of a proposal.