

# University of Kentucky Office of Research Integrity Exemption Categories Tool

- Subpart B: Studies Involving Pregnant Women, Fetuses & Neonates are Eligible for Exempt Under All 8 Categories
- Subpart C: Exemptions Do Not Apply to Research Involving Prisoners Except “for Research Aimed at Involving a Broader Subject Population that Only Incidentally Includes Prisoners”
- Subpart B: Children are allowed in categories 1,4,5,6,7, & 8; Limitations & Exclusion of Children in Category 2 & 3

| Category | New Citation | Exemption Category Description   | Limited IRB Review                 | Conditions/Allowances/Limitations  |
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| <b>1</b> | 104(d)(1)    | <b>Research in Established or Commonly Accepted Education Settings that Involves Normal Educational Practices</b>  | N/A                                | <b>Not Likely to Adversely Impact Students’ Opportunity to Learn or Assessment of Educators Providing Instruction</b>  |
| <b>2</b> | 104(d)(2)    | <b>Research only includes interactions involving Educational Tests, Surveys, Interviews, Public Observation if at least ONE of the following criteria met:</b>   | N/A                                | <b>Data Collection Only;<br/>May include visual or auditory recording;<br/>May NOT include Intervention;<br/>Only includes Interactions</b>  |
|          |              | (i) Recorded information cannot readily identify the subject (directly or indirectly/linked); <b>OR</b>  | N/A                                | <b>Surveys &amp; Interviews: No Children;</b><br>Educational Tests or Observation of Public Behavior: <b>Can Only include Children When Investigators Do Not Participate in Activities being Observed</b>  |
|          |              | (ii) Any disclosure of responses outside of the research would NOT reasonably place subject at risk (criminal, civil liability, financial, employability, educational advancement, reputation); <b>OR</b>                | N/A                                | <b>Surveys &amp; Interviews: No Children;</b><br>Educational Tests or Observation of Public Behavior: <b>Can Only include Children When Investigators Do Not Participate in Activities being Observed</b>  |
|          |              | (iii) Information is recorded with identifiers or code linked to identifiers & IRB conducts Limited Review   | Privacy and Confidentiality Review | <b>NO Children</b>   |
| <b>3</b> | 104(d)(3)(i) | <b>Research involving Benign Behavioral Interventions (BBI) through verbal, written responses, (including data entry or audiovisual recording) from adult subject who prospectively agrees and ONE of following met:</b> | N/A                                | <b>NO Children;</b><br><b>May Not include Medical Interventions;</b><br><b>Subject prospectively agrees;</b>   |
|          |              | A. Recorded information cannot readily identify the subject (directly or indirectly/linked): <b>OR</b>   | N/A                                | <b>(ii)BBI must be:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Brief in Duration</b></li> <li>• <b>Painless/Harmless</b></li> <li>• <b>Not Physically Invasive</b></li> <li>• <b>Not Likely to Have a Significant Adverse Lasting Impact on Subjects</b></li> <li>• <b>Unlikely that Subjects Will Find Interventions Offensive or Embarrassing</b></li> </ul> <b>(iii)No deception unless participant prospectively agrees</b> |
|          |              | B. Any disclosure of responses outside of the research would NOT reasonably place subject at risk (criminal, civil liability, financial, employability, educational advancement, reputation); <b>OR</b>                  | N/A                                |  |
|          |              | C. Information is recorded with identifiers & IRB conducts Limited Review  | Privacy and Confidentiality Review |  |

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| 4        | 104(d)(4)    | <b>Secondary Research for Which Consent is Not Required: Use of Identifiable Information or Identifiable Biospecimen that have been or will be collected for some other 'primary' or 'initial' activity, if ONE of following criteria met:</b> |  | <b>No Primary Collection from subjects for the research;<br/>Allows Both <u>Retrospective and Prospective Secondary Use</u></b>   |
|          |              | (i) Biospecimens or Information is Publically Available; <b>OR</b>   | N/A  | Must be publically available  |
|          |              | (ii) Information recorded so subject cannot readily be identified (directly or indirectly/linked); Investigator does not contact subjects and will not re-identify the subjects; <b>OR</b>   | N/A  | PI does not contact: Will not re-identify   |
|          |              | (iii) Collection and Analysis involving Investigators Use of Identifiable Health Information when use is regulated by HIPAA "health care operations" or "research" or "public health activities and purposes"; <b>OR</b>                       | N/A  | HIPAA still applies;<br>HIPAA protections include authorization or waiver of authorization;<br>Does not include Biospecimens (only PHI);<br>Federal guidance needed on how to apply this criterion  |
|          |              | (iv) Research information collected by or on behalf of federal government using government generated or collected information obtained for non-research activities   | N/A  | If research generates identifiable private information it is subject to specified federal privacy laws (see iv for list)  |
| 5        | 104(d)(5)    | <b>Research and demonstration projects supported by a Federal Agency/Dept. AND Designed to study...improve... public benefit or service programs.</b>  | N/A  | <b>Must be posted on a Federal Web Site</b>   |
| 6        | 104(d)(6)    | <b>Taste and Food Quality</b>  | N/A  |   |
| 7        | 104(d)(7)    | <b>Storage or Maintenance of Identifiable Private Information or Identifiable Biospecimens for Secondary Research For Which Broad Consent Is Required</b>  | -Broad consent is obtained<br>--Documented or documentation waived<br>- If there is a change made for research purposes in the way material stored or maintained, Privacy and confidentiality review | <b>All requirements for Broad Consent Met;<br/><br/>MUST TRACK REFUSALS –as the IRB may not waive consent for use of identifiable material for any individual who refuses</b>   |
| 8        | 104(d)(8)    | <b>Secondary research involving use of Identifiable Private Information or Identifiable Biospecimens for Which Broad Consent was Required</b>  | -Privacy and confidentiality review &<br>-research is within the scope of the broad consent &<br>-PI does not plan to return research results  | Privacy and Confidentiality protections adequate;<br>Broad consent was obtained;<br>Documented or documentation waived<br><b>No plan to return research results;<br/>MUST TRACK REFUSALS as the IRB may not waive consent for use of identifiable material for any individual who refuses</b> |