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Questions, Comments, Suggestion?

If you have questions, comments or have a suggestion about how we can improve our human research protection program (HRPP) at UHCMC, send an email to: clinicalresearch@uhhs.com or contact Carol Fedor, Clinical Research Manager at (216) 844-5524

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Patient Reimbursement System

Most clinical trials have provisions for compensating research subjects for their time, efforts or expenses during participation. The compensation can be provided either as a stipend (compensation for their time and effort) or a reimbursement for expenses for participating in the study (such as transportation and meal costs). At University Hospitals, the **Patient Reimbursement System (PRS)** was developed to issue stipends and reimbursement in an efficient and compliant manner. The system is developed in FoxPro software with easy to navigate user-interfaces and is integrated with Oracle Financial and Grant Accounting modules where charges are properly recorded. PRS meets compliance standards as well as IRS laws for issuing applicable W-9 and 1099 forms. Also included in PRS are many internal control points that ensure proper access and payment management from a legal, ethical and financial perspective.

Training for PRS is required for any individual who requests compensation for participants in human subject research. Group or individual sessions are conducted by the Grants and Contracts, Post-Award Office of the Center for Clinical Research and Technology. PRS education is performed as needed or requested.

Contact Rohit Malik, Grants Coordinator, for PRS training:
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University Hospitals Required Safety Training

IATA/DOT: The International Air Transport Association, a joint enterprise between the commercial and industrial airline industries, has established universal air transportation standards for hazardous and/or biological specimens. Similarly, the Department of Transportation has issued regulations regarding the ground transportation of hazardous and/or biologic specimens. In order to meet federal criteria, UH requires training every two years for any person shipping or receiving biological or hazardous specimens. IATA/DOT training is conducted every two months by the UH Department of Hospital Safety.

OSHA Training (Laboratory Safety, Hazard Communication, Bloodborne Pathogen, Regulated Chemicals): The Occupational Safety and Health Administration maintains annual education requirements for those working in specific laboratory-based conditions. Depending on the research environment, staff may be required to participate in additional general safety or specific instructional sessions.

Contact the UH Department of Hospital Safety for information regarding specific training programs: <http://intranet.uhhs.com/safety/> or 216-844-5553.

Attend the Hospital and Environmental Safety Panel Discussion to be held January 28, 2009 in the Wolstein Research Building, Room 1413. Targeted at Principal Investigators, Co-Investigators and Research Staff, the panel will answer questions regarding responsibilities of a PI, required training programs and institutional requirements. Featuring: Carol Grove (Director, UHCMC Hospital & Environmental Safety), Julia Wendt (UHCMC Infection Control), Ryan Rillo (UHCMC Chemical Safety Specialist), Melissa Braskie (UHCMC Industrial Hygienist), Kim Volarcik (Director, CWRU IBC & HRPP QIP), Felice Porter (CWRU Quality Assurance Specialist).