UC Reliance Registry Instructions for UC Davis Investigators and Coordinators

To create a new reliance request, follow these steps in the order provided to ensure smooth processing and timely review.

Before beginning the process, ensure that all PIs and coordinators at all UC Campuses who intend to use the UC Reliance Registry have an active account with the Registry. If needed, ask collaborating investigators and/or coordinators to create and activate their account at [https://irbreliance.ucop.edu](https://irbreliance.ucop.edu) by clicking on “Sign up” in the Login Box.

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<td>Wait for notification from the Registry. The investigator or coordinator at the Reviewing campus must initiate the request.</td>
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<td>Log into the Registry to create a new collaborative study from “My Dashboard”. Add requested information. The research coordinator may enter information into the Registry, but may not sign the attestation on behalf of the investigator. The reliance request will not move forward until the PI signs.</td>
<td>Log into the Registry and search for the study using the reliance number. Provide information specific to which activities will be conducted at UC Davis in the fields provided. The research coordinator may enter information into the Registry, but may not sign the attestation on behalf of the investigator. The reliance request will not move forward until the PI signs.</td>
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<td><strong>2 Add local context and sign</strong></td>
<td>While review is occurring at the IRB of Record, obtain applicable UC Davis Ancillary Committee approvals. See <a href="http://tinyurl.com/AncillaryReviews">http://tinyurl.com/AncillaryReviews</a> for more information.</td>
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<td>Wait for collaborating (relying) PIs to add local context information to the Registry and to sign the reliance assurances before going to Step 3.</td>
<td><strong>After receiving approval from the Reviewing IRB, human research activities at UC Davis must wait for UC Davis IRB to accept the reliance.</strong></td>
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<td><strong>3 Submit an application with the reliance document to the IRB</strong></td>
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<td>• The On-Line UC Davis Initial Review Application;</td>
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<td><strong>4 Review and acceptance by the IRB of Record</strong></td>
<td>• Approval letter from the Reviewing IRB;</td>
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<td>UC Davis will review the submission with the Reliance Request. The UC Reliance Coordinator will inform all parties of the IRB determinations and update the Registry regarding whether or not UC Davis agrees to serve as the IRB of record.</td>
<td>• The approved protocol;</td>
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<td>The UC Davis PI is responsible for ensuring all relying sites have the most currently approved documents.</td>
<td>• The approve consent document(s);</td>
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<td><strong>5 Acceptance by the Relying IRB</strong></td>
<td>• Any applicable Ancillary Committee Approval; and</td>
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<td><strong>Human research activities may not begin at the Relying site until the relying IRB accepts the reliance.</strong> Ensure that all relying sites wait for acceptance by the relying IRB before human research commences at the site.</td>
<td>• The UC Reliance document. A copy can be downloaded from the Registry by clicking the green “print” button on the main study page.</td>
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<td><strong>If the reliance is declined by either IRB, the UC Reliance Coordinator will contact you with further information.</strong></td>
<td>UC Davis IRB will review submitted documents and determine whether to accept or decline the reliance. The UC Reliance Coordinator will update the Registry and send notification to the all parties.</td>
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**Questions?** UC Davis investigators, please contact Reliance Coordinator at [HS-IRBreliance@ucdavis.edu](mailto:HS-IRBreliance@ucdavis.edu). All other investigators should contact their designated IRB Contact person listed at [https://irbreliance.ucop.edu/site/irbs](https://irbreliance.ucop.edu/site/irbs).
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**Step 1: Create a Request and Sign**
The initial request is created by the PI/Coordinator at the review campus. Wait for an email from the Registry (ORGS-IRBRELIANCE-SA@ucop.edu) that invites you the reliance.

**Step 2: Add Local Context and Sign**
Before the PI can electronically sign the Reliance Registry, information specific to UC Davis must be entered. Follow these steps to complete the request.

**A.** Click on the link sent to you from the UC Reliance Registry. You will be taken directly to the Main Study page. Scroll down to Reliances and click on “Details” if you are a designated Research Coordinator (or “sign” if you are the PI) in the Actions column.

**B.** If you are the designated research Coordinator, you will be taken to the UCD specific information page. If you are the PI, you will be taken directly to the next step (Step C).

Research Coordinators, click on “Edit” in the Actions Box. Note the reliance number has “-UCD” added at the end to signify that information on this page is UCD specific.
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C. You will be taken to the “Assign Relying Research Coordinator”. If you do not have or need to add a Research Coordinator, click “Next”. Otherwise search and invite your coordinator(s) and click on “Next” when done.

D. You will then be taken to the UCD study information page. Note that “-UCD” has been added to the end of the reliance number. Enter specific information related to the conduct of the study at UC Davis here.

- **Award Information**: Identify the type of funding that UC Davis will receive for the conduct of this project by checking the appropriate box(es).
- **Relying Sponsor(s)**: Identify the source(s) of funding that UC Davis will receive for the conduct of this project.
- **Recruit Subjects**: Select “Yes” if subjects will be directly recruited or you will access private and identifiable information. Otherwise select “No”. **If this option is left blank, there will be technical glitches later in the process that have potential to delay processing of the reliance request.**
  - **Additional Fields**: The following fields show up only when “Yes” is selected for “recruit Subjects”. Provide information as noted below.
    - **Brief Description**: This can be left blank
    - **Potential Subjects**: Provide a description of the population under study
Consent Process: State whether the consent process will be conducted exactly as described in the approved protocol. If not, clarify how the consent process will be conducted, some examples are:
- UCD HRP-090 and HRP-091 will be followed
- A waiver of consent process is requested

Summary Scope: Provide a description of the activities to be conducted at UC Davis. Do not provide a copy of the information from the Main Study page.

Key Personnel: If there are other personnel, list them here. When adding personnel, all fields are required. Skip this section if you do not have Key Personnel.
- Please note that it is not possible to remove key personnel or make corrections to key personnel once they have been added.

Additional Questions: Select “Yes” or “No”, as applicable. Do not skip these questions. The IRBs must know if there is a Conflict of Interest and if radiation is used for the research. The answers to these questions are directly related to the criteria for approval and whether not the reviewing IRB must make additional determinations or require revisions to the documents submitted for review.

Conflict of Interest: Do you or any personnel involved in the design, conduct, or reporting of the protocol have a Related Financial Interest, as defined below?
- “Related Financial Interest” means any of the following interests in the sponsor, product(s) or service(s) being tested, or competitor of the sponsor held by the individual or the individual’s immediate family that was received within the last 12 months or that you expect to receive in the next 12 months:
  - Ownership interest of any value including, but not limited to stocks and options, exclusive of interests in publicly-traded, diversified mutual funds.
  - Compensation of any amount including, but not limited to honoraria, consultant fees, royalties, or other income.
  - Proprietary interest of any value including, but not limited to patents, trademarks, copyrights, and licensing agreements.
  - Board or executive relationship, regardless of compensation.
  - Reimbursed or sponsored travel by an entity other than a federal, state, or local government agency, higher education institution or affiliated research institute, academic teaching hospital, or medical center.
- “Immediate Family” means spouse, domestic partner, children, and dependents.

Uses Radiation: Does your study involve radiation?

Assurances:
- For the UCD PI: Review the bulleted items. If you agree to these conditions, click “Sign and Finish”. Your electronic signature will be recorded when you click the button. The reliance is updated.
- For the Research Coordinator: If you are designated as a Research Coordinator in the registry, click “Save”. While a Coordinator can edit information in the Registry, he/she may not
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electronically sign the reliance. The reliance request will not move forward until the PI
electronically signs. Please instruct your PI to log into the registry to confirm information and
electronically sign the assurances through the registry.

Step 3/4: IRB Submission

A. Ancillary Committees: While the project is under review with the IRB of Record, begin to seek and obtain
local ancillary committee approval/determinations. Information about ancillary committees is available at:
http://research.ucdavis.edu/policiescompliance/irb-admin/researchers/ancillary-revs/

B. Wait: Wait for Local Ancillary Reviews and the IRB of Record to update the UC Reliance Registry before
submitting your documents to UC Davis IRB.

If the Reviewing IRB declines the reliance, the reliance request process stops. The project must be
submitted to UC Davis IRB for review or determination following the normal submission process.

The IRB may decline the reliance for several reasons, including but not limited to:
- The project does not meet the federal definition of Human Subjects Research;
- The site is not engaged in the Human Subjects Research.

The Reviewing IRB will note the reasons for declining the reliance within the Registry. If you would like an
explanation of the notation, contact the UC Reliance Coordinator by email at HS-IRBreliance@ucdavis.edu
for clarification.

C. Print a Copy of the Reliance Request: If the Reviewing IRB agrees to the reliance, generate a copy of the
Reliance Request by clicking on the green “Print” button.

Save a copy of the PDF document to your desktop. Label the file as UC Reliance Request #[insert reliance
number]. For the above example, the filename will be “UC Reliance Request #1249”. This copy will need
to be included in the submission package to UC Davis IRB via IRBNet.

D. Submission to UC Davis IRB for Reliance: Create a New Project through IRBNet. Submit the following
documents:
- HRP-226 Administrative Approval: This form is available at
http://research.ucdavis.edu/policiescompliance/irb-admin/researchers/irb-forms/. You may
obtain wet ink signatures or electronic signature via IRBNet. If electronic signature is used, type in “electronic signature” where the signature would have been placed.

- **On-Line UC Davis Initial Review Application:** This form is accessed through IRBNet. To access the form, follow the steps below.
  1. Go to the “Designer Page”. Click on “Start a Wizard” located under Step 2.
  2. Select “UC Davis – Initial Review Application” from the dropdown menu.
  3. You will be prompted to create a new wizard or clone one. Select “Create a New Wizard from Scratch” and click “Continue”.
  4. From the General Instructions Page, click “Next”.
  5. You are now in the On-Line Initial Review Application. Complete required fields. This application will be a shorter version of the one required for a standard submission.
     - **Principal Investigator Information:** Provide answers to all required fields.
     - **Co-Principal Investigator Information:** If “Yes” is selected for Co-PI, you will be prompted to add his/her information. Complete all required fields and click “Next”.
     - **Primary Contact:** If the PI is the Primary Contact, select “Yes”. If another individual should be included in communication from the IRB sent to the PI, select “No”. Please be aware that if “No” is selected, the individual designated as the Primary Contact must also have full access to the project in IRBNet.
     - **Review Information:** Complete all required fields and click “Next”.
       - Select Yes for whether UC Davis is relying on another IRB
       - Select No for whether an external site is relying on UC Davis IRB
       - Select Yes for whether the review is part of the UC Reliance
       - Provide the UC Reliance Registry Number
     - **Other Project Information:** Complete all required fields and click “Next”.
  6. When you get to the Form Complete Page, click “Save and Exit”. The document will now show up in the Designer Page within a blue box.

- **Approval Letter from the Reviewing IRB:** This should be provided to you by the PI at the Reviewing Site and is available through the Registry.
- **Approved Protocol:** This should be provided to you by the PI at the Reviewing Site.
- **Approved Subject-Facing Materials (consent, recruitment, etc.):** This should be provided to you by the PI at the Reviewing Site.
- **Investigator Brochure (if applicable):** This should be provided to you by the PI at the Reviewing Site or the sponsor. If you obtain it from the sponsor, ensure the version you have is the most recently reviewed and approved version.

- **Any applicable ancillary committee approvals/determinations:** Copies will be provided you by the Committee. For Document Type and Document Description, use the following:

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- **UC Reliance Request**: The document must show that all relying PIs have signed and that the IRB of Record has accepted the reliance. Select “Other” for Document Type and use “UC Reliance Request #XXXX” for Document Description.

- **Sponsor Fee Form**: If the study meets the criteria for billing, submit this form (http://research.ucdavis.edu/policiescompliance/irb-admin/researchers/irb-forms/). The criteria for billing is located at: http://research.ucdavis.edu/policiescompliance/irb-admin/researchers/fees/

**Step 5: Acceptance by Relying IRB**

**A. Wait**: Wait for final determination by the UC Davis IRB Administration Office. Designated IRB staff will conduct an administrative review of the documents submitted to ensure the research plan and consent process would not violate UC Davis Policies and update the Registry and IRBNet accordingly.

You will receive notifications from the Registry and IRBNet.

**B. Begin Human Research Activities or Revise the Submission**: If the reliance is accepted, Human Research activities may commence at UC Davis.

As with the Reviewing IRB, UC Davis may opt decline the reliance. The IRB UC Reliance Coordinator will provide guidance regarding your next steps.