

COMPARISON: CHARACTERISTICS OF HUMAN SUBJECT RESEARCH VS. QUALITY IMPROVEMENT, PROGRAM EVALUATION OR CLASS/STUDENT PROJECTS

Determining whether a project requires IRB review depends on whether it constitutes research involving human subjects (first column). Please contact the UAB IRB Office (615) 975-4118 with any questions or for assistance in making a determination.

	HUMAN SUBJECT RESEARCH	QUALITY IMPROVEMENT	PROGRAM EVALUATION	CLASS/STUDENT PROJECT
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INTENT

Projects to develop or contribute to general knowledge or to test, develop, or refine a hypothesis or theory.

DISSEMINATION OF RESULTS

Intent to publish or present generally presumed at the outset of project as part of professional expectations, obligations; dissemination of information usually occurs in