



HOW TO DECIDE IF YOU SHOULD SUBMIT YOUR PROJECT TO THE IRB

- **Quality improvement or assurance activity** – systematic investigation designed to develop or contribute to **organizational** (rather than generalizable) knowledge
- **Program evaluation** - systematic investigation designed to develop or contribute to knowledge about the effectiveness of implementing a specific program
- **Generalizable** - universally or widely applicable
- **Private information** – occurs in the context in which an individual can reasonably expect that no observation or recording is taking place and data which is provided for a specific purpose that the individual can reasonably expect will not be made public
- **Private identifiable information** – the individual’s identity is or may be readily ascertained by the investigator or associated with the information or biospecimens