

## IRB Appointlet Consultations Update

**Due to staffing shortages, the Appointlet IRB Pre-Submission Consultation program has been paused.**

For any questions that cannot be answered with the below resources, researchers can email [irbpanela@vcu.edu](mailto:irbpanela@vcu.edu) for additional assistance. Please note, the IRB staff will have limited availability for meetings in order to focus on reviewing a backlog of submissions from recently separated staff, so the research community is kindly being asked to carefully review the information provided below before requesting additional IRB assistance when beginning a new study submission. The IRB staff look forward to resuming the Appointlet IRB Pre-Submission Consultation program as soon as they are able to do so, as this is a valuable service to the VCU research community.

Note: IRB staff will still be available to advise on questions about ongoing research projects already submitted and assigned to a reviewer/IRB Administrator. The above applies only to the Appointlet IRB Pre-Submission Consultation options previously offered.

For helpful contacts and resources on a variety of topics relating to how to get started in your research at VCU, please go to <https://research.vcu.edu/human-research/hrppirb/getting-started/>.

For a useful tool to plan for ancillary reviews and other VCU requirements that may impact your research, please use our Quick Start Guide at <https://redcap.vcu.edu/surveys/?s=PTCX7XEENRH9C97H>.

For a complete list of VCU IRB policies and procedures, please visit <https://research.vcu.edu/human-research/hrppirb/hrpp-policies-and-guidance/>.