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Re: An Assessment of Research-Doctorate Programs (BHEW-Q-03-02-A)

Dear Charlotte and Jim:

On behalf of the Committee to Review Studies Involving Human Subjects, acting as the National Academies' Institutional Review Board, I am pleased to inform you that your revised protocol for the Program Questionnaire as presented in the July 14 Form #2 is approved. This approval is subject to the condition that, at the appropriate time, the IRB must review and approve the detailed procedures that will be used for maintaining, analyzing, and disseminating data from this assessment and thus protecting confidentiality of data in the public database and for protecting the confidentiality of the rankings data.

If the research has not been completed by June 2007, the project shall be reviewed again at the Committee's annual meeting to be scheduled in early summer next year. Otherwise, please notify me when the research has been completed.

Sincerely,

Ronald D. Taylor, Chair

Attachments:  
Application for Expedited Review