

Summary of Changes for VCU IRB Written Policy and Procedure revisions, effective 10-20-2021

WPPs available at: <https://research.vcu.edu/human-research/hrppirb/hrpp-policies-and-guidance/>

WPP #	Section	Change
WPP #: XVII-2 Subject Recruitment and Compensation	Entire document	WPP split into 2 policies due to the volume of content for each: WPP XVII-1 Research Participant Recruitment WPP XVII-2 Research Participant Compensation Changed “subject” to “participant” and “tape” to “recording”
WPP XVII-1 Research Participant Recruitment	Revised section 1	Clarified that investigators are responsible for following all other VCU and/or VCU Health policies regarding advertisements and brand identity.
	Revised Section 3.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reordered the guidelines for recruitment materials to make individual components clearer; recommended that two forms of contact information be provided to give participants options of how to contact the study team. • Added new more explicit guidelines for when and how compensation and payment information may be included in recruitment materials.
	Revised Sections 4	Added references for FDA guidance about recruiting and VCU’s Outgoing Sponsorships, Advertising, and Endorsement Policy
WPP XVII-2 Research Participant Compensation	New Section 1	New policy statement
	New Section 2	New ethical framework outlined for the general types of monetary and nonmonetary payment and how the potential for undue influence and coercion might be addressed through the consent process.
	New Section 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New procedures outlined for how compensation is to be described to participants. • Revised guidelines about prorating and withholding payments • New guidelines about the use completion bonuses, compensation through random drawing, and paying subjects to refer other participants.
	Revised Section 4	New references added to FDA guidance, a SACHRP recommendation, the DHHS Office of the Inspector General, and the AMA Code of Medical Ethics