



TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY  
HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER™  
EL PASO

Office of Research

**TTUHSC EI PASO**

# Regulatory Lite



**A hint of research compliance tips for your everyday life**

## Scholarly Activity and Research Program (SARP) Projects

Initiating a new research study can be very stressful and challenging!

Although there are so many steps to getting a project up and running, there are multiple resources that you can use and some initial steps that you can take to help guide you in the right direction.

The first step after finding a mentor and deciding on a project is to request an iRIS account (<https://ttuep.imedris.net/>). iRIS is a system used by our research committees to review and approve research projects. All research must be completely reviewed and approved by the designated research committees before it can be initiated. To find out more you can visit the following link:  
<https://elpaso.ttuhscc.edu/research/committees/>

After you get an iRIS account, you will be ready to initiate a project under a faculty mentor or be added to an already existing project. To learn more about how to use iRIS, you can visit:  
<https://elpaso.ttuhscc.edu/research/committees/irb/Forms-and-Templates.aspx>

There are also trainings available to help you on the Research Compliance Training Page:  
<https://elpaso.ttuhscc.edu/research/compliance/Training.aspx>

As you get started, always remember that:

- if your name is not specifically listed as research personnel on the IRB approval and/or you do not have access to the study in iRIS, you are not approved to work on this project
- if the process, procedure, or data parameters you are conducting or that have been submitted for approval by SARP have not specifically been approved by the IRB, then they are not approved to be done

Non-compliance can result in:

- an audit
- additional training
- not being allowed to utilize the data collected
- not being allowed to publish or present
- in rare cases, possible dismissal of your current project

If you have any additional questions, feel free to reach out to your [Research Compliance Unit](#).

Privacy/Confidentiality Notice: This message, including any attachments, is for the sole use of the intended recipient(s) and may contain confidential and privileged information. Any unauthorized review, use disclosure or distribution is strictly prohibited. If you are not the intended recipient, please contact the sender by reply email and destroy all copies of the original message.