

Final Rule Key Concepts and Requirements for Secondary Research

Concept/Requirement

"Data" is now referred to as "Information or Biospecimens"

Explanations

No substantive change from pre-2018 rule, but emphasizes that research involving identifiable biospecimens is covered under the Final Rule

Expansion of Exemption Criteria Allows for broader use of exemption category 4, and new exemptions 7 and 8 for research where information or specimens were originally obtained using broad consent



Notifies subjects of potential secondary use of information or biospecimens



Provides option for consent for secondary research use of identifiable private information or biospecimens

Changes in the IRB Waiver Criteria

Limits when IRBs can waive consent for research involving identifiable information or biospecimens

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