

## Discipline of Psychiatry: Research One-Pager

### Ethics Approval

- Research projects involving human subjects require the approval of the Health Research Ethics Board (HREB): <https://hrea.ca/>
- The HREB has an excellent overview regarding whether your project requires ethics approval: <https://hrea.ca/how-to-apply/ethics-review-required/>
- The staff of the HREB are highly approachable and can be reached via phone 709-777-7719 or email: [ethicsofficer@hrea.ca](mailto:ethicsofficer@hrea.ca)
- You can also reach out to two of our faculty that work with the HREB:  
Dr. Robert Mercer: [Robert.Mercer@easternhealth.ca](mailto:Robert.Mercer@easternhealth.ca)  
Dr. Naomi Miffen-Anderson: [Naomi.MiffenAnderson@easternhealth.ca](mailto:Naomi.MiffenAnderson@easternhealth.ca)
- In order for your ethics application to be considered, you will need to complete The Tri-Council Policy Statement: Ethical Conduct for Research Involving Humans: Course on Research Ethics (TCPS 2: CORE), which takes about four hours: <https://tcps2core.ca/welcome>

### Institutional Approval

Projects involving healthcare resources also require approval of the Research Proposals Approval Committee (RPAC): <https://ri.easternhealth.ca/rpac/>

### Statistical Support

- Software: SPSS is available for residents to download and install on your personal computer. Visit: <https://my.mun.ca/>
- Make sure you consider how you will analyse your data as a part of your research design. This will make the job of analysing your data much easier.
- We are presently working to secure dedicated statistical support. Several faculty members can provide assistance, with backgrounds in statistical analysis. You can discuss this in your regular research check-ins.

### Newfoundland and Labrador Centre for Health Information (NLCHI)

NLCHI facilitates access to several health databases that may be useful for your project. They are highly approachable and can be reached by phone at 709-752-6513 or email: [inforequests@nlchi.nl.ca](mailto:inforequests@nlchi.nl.ca)

### Supervisors

We are in the process of developing a list of faculty research activities/interests and whether they have capacity to take on additional resident research projects/have them participate in their existing research. You can discuss your research interest/idea with the Research Director at your initial meeting to be directed towards what faculty member(s) might be the best match/supervisor.

### Funding for Presenting at Conferences

Funding is available to support residents presenting their research at conferences separate from their annual conference/education funding.

### Regular Meetings with the Research Director

You should be meeting with the Research Director about every six months to discuss your research project. There is a research update form on our website that needs to be completed in advance of these meetings, which will help keep your research on track.