

Review Types and Turnaround Time

Exempt	Expedited	Full Board
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Minimal or no risk• Falls under one of the federally designated exempt categories• Reviewed by an IRB analyst or one IRB member• Review takes 1 week• Example: Anonymous survey of adults	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No greater than minimal risk• Falls under one or more of the federally designated expedited categories• Reviewed by the IRB chair and one additional IRB member and/or analyst• Review takes 2-3 weeks• Example: Collection of biospecimens by non-invasive means	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Greater than minimal risk• Not covered under other review categories• Reviewed by the full board at monthly meetings• Review may take 4-6 weeks• Example: Interventions that cause physical or emotional discomfort

NOTE: Submissions that are incomplete or do not adhere to IRB submission guidelines will require additional time. The additional time is not considered in the turnaround time estimate for each category.