## Unraveling the mystery of IRB review

A mock convened IRB meeting

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### **Objectives**

- The purpose of this role play is to provide an overview of the elements of the initial review of a human subjects research protocol submitted to an Institutional Review Board (IRB). At the end of this session the audience will:
  - 1. Appreciate the IRB Review Process and IRB determinations for human subjects research protocols
  - 2. Understand the criteria for approval as defined by 45 CFR 46.11
  - Acknowledge the role of local, state or Tribal Laws in review of research

## **Mock IRB Participants**



IRB Member Chair



Alternate IRB Member Scientist, Public Health



IRB Coordinator Alternate IRB member



IRB Member Scientist, Epidemiologist



IRB Member Scientist, Fetal and Infant Health Research



IRB Member Lawyer



IRB Member Non-affiliated or Community Member



Research Investigator



# Convened IRB Review Process

#### Conflict of Interest

- IRB Checks for IRB member conflict of Interest prior to **research** review
- Reviewed for all research protocols on the agenda

### Quorum

Ensures quorum is present for each research protocol

Overview of Research

 Primary reviewer or IRB Chair provides overview of research protocol

Discussion and documentation

- IRB discusses protocol; outlines questions for investigator
- IRB documents how controversial issues are resolved

Criteria for approval of research

• IRB reviews Criteria for approval

Voting

 IRB Votes - documents votes 'for', 'against' and 'abstained'

Document IRB Determination

Documents IRB determination and proceeds to next item on the agenda