

DF/HCC Operations for Human Research
Maintenance of AHRPP Accreditation**1. BACKGROUND:**

DF/HCC maintains full Association for the Accreditation of Human Research Protection Programs (AAHRPP) Accreditation to demonstrate a strong commitment to protecting research participants and the research review process.

2. ASSOCIATED DF/HCC POLICIES:

2.1. None

3. PROCEDURE:

- 3.1. The OHRS, in collaboration with the ODQ, is responsible for the collection and submission of all information required by the AAHRPP. This includes but is not limited to: self-assessments, annual reports, general queries and re-application. Re-application is submitted every five years, or as required by the AAHRPP.
- 3.2. An Institutional Official (IO) is defined as a senior official who, on behalf of an institution, has the authority and responsibility for the oversight and administration of the institution's human subject research program.
- 3.3. The DFCI IO reviews and approves all information prior to its submission to the AAHRPP.
- 3.4. The OHRS or the ODQ reports any sanctions taken by a government oversight office and any lawsuits related to human research protection to the AAHRPP.
- 3.5. The OHRS maintains documentation of all submissions and certificates.
- 3.6. Additional information can be found on the AAHRPP website at <http://www.aahrpp.org>.

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