RCRA Newsletter

Our Mission is to support the Emory research community by implementing processes and policies and providing training to comply with requirements and regulations.
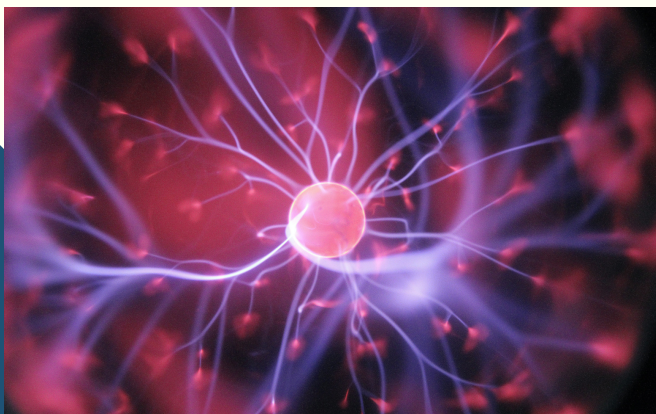
RESEARCH COMPLIANCE NEWS

FROM YOUR TRUSTED PARTNERS

WELCOME!

The Research Compliance and Regulatory Affairs (RCRA) team will send a quarterly newsletter to inform you about our projects, events, and any regulatory changes that may affect your research.

EVENTS

- On 8/9/22 at noon, COI/COC will host a townhall to provide an overview of eDisclose, discuss how processes are being streamlined, discuss the training plan, provide a live eDisclose demo, and answer questions. **Register here**.
- On 8/25/2022 at 11 am, ASK RCRA will include an IACUC update on the AAALAC re-certification and tips on how to prevent research misconduct. **Register here**

OUR OFFICES

RCRA comprises five distinct offices, and we work together to facilitate research at Emory by ensuring compliance with laws, regulations, and policies.

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OFFICE OF RESEARCH INTEGRITY AND COMPLIANCE (ORIC)

ORIC guides the research community in the areas of FDA-regulated research, controlled substances and dangerous drugs, research misconduct allegation review, and responsible conduct of research training.
In addition, ORIC assists with any research compliance matter not already covered by another RCRA office. **Website**.

INSTITUTIONAL ANIMAL CARE AND USE COMMITTEE (IACUC)

IACUC provides oversight over the humane and ethical animal care and use of animals in research. The IACUC ensures compliance with federal regulations, reviews and approves all animal projects, inspects animal facilities and laboratories, investigates animal concerns, and performs reviews of the University's animal programs. **Website** and **eIACUC SharePoint site** for Researcher's Resources

CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND COMMITMENT OFFICE (COI/COC)

COI/COC provides oversight, systemic safeguards, and regulatory expertise to identify and manage financial conflicts of interest in research and conflicts of commitment that could impact research and scholarly activities. In doing so, we support Emory investigators and scholars in maintaining integrity in their research efforts and discoveries. **Website**

EXPORT CONTROL OFFICE (ECO)

ECO is responsible for administering Emory's export control compliance program. The ECO helps Emory remain compliant with federal regulations related to exports by developing administrative processes, designing compliance tools, providing training, and serving as a resource for departments, faculty, and staff. **Website**

RESEARCH SECURITY OFFICE (RCO)

The Research Security Office at Emory aims to provide ongoing support to researchers to continue and enhance international research affiliations, engagements and collaborations. We realize that navigating the many regulatory requirements related to foreign travel, disclosure compliance, data protection measures to name a few can be cumbersome and challenging. Our team is here to help and assist so Emory's global research footprint can continue to expand and flourish.

Learn more about eDisclose

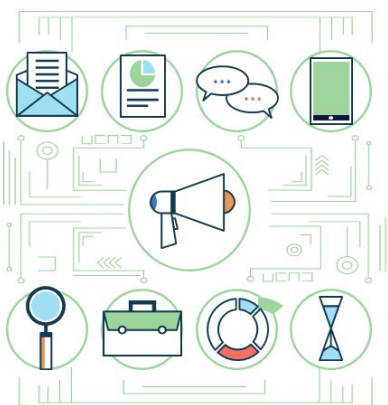## EDISCLOSE BENEFITS

IMPROVED USER EXPERIENCE
- ✓ User-friendly interface
- ✓ Skip logic eliminates irrelevant questions

FASTER PERFORMANCE
- ✓ Improved system speed
- ✓ Streamlined workflow for COI staff & other users (faster processing time)

EASE OF USE
- ✓ No duplicate data entry
- ✓ Future integration with IRB
- ✓ Easy to amend help text and instructions

SAVE AND SUBMIT
- ✓ Ability to save information and return later to submit

IMPROVED EFFICIENCY
- ✓ Eliminates redundant disclosure forms
- ✓ Reviewers only receive disclosures that meet defined thresholds

COMPLIANCE
- ✓ Enables expanded questions about external activities & foreign engagement
- ✓ New DOE COI certification language embedded

eDisclose is a new cloud-based enterprise-wide system for disclosing financial interests and requesting approval for external activities. eDisclose will replace eCOI and go live in fall 2022.The eDisclose system from Huron brings new features and functionality to help manage the disclosure of financial interests and outside activities. The system will provide new functionality and features released on an ongoing basis to meet evolving federal regulatory requirements. **Register to our Townhall meeting on August 9 at noon** for a sneak peak and the system and its functionality. **For more information, please visit the eDisclose SharePoint site (https://bit.ly/eDisclose-SharePoint) or contact us at edisclose@emory.edu.**

Prepare for AAALAC visiting Emory University in Early 2023

The Emory IACUC is preparing for the triennial re-certification review and a visit by the American Association for Accreditation of Laboratory Animal Care (AAALAC International). The last visit occurred in early 2020, and Emory University programs at the Emory National Primate Research Center and the School of Medicine Division of Animal Resources (SOM DAR) received accreditation for the following three years. The AAALAC visit will be announced in the coming months and will take place early in 2023! **Please review this document for additional information** to prepare for this visit.
We cannot do it without your help!