

Institutional Review Board Composition Policy Peru State College

A. IRB composition requirements

In accordance with the compositional requirements of 45 CFR 46.107:

- (a) Each IRB shall have at least five members, with varying backgrounds to promote complete and adequate review of research activities commonly conducted by the institution.
- (b) The IRB shall be sufficiently qualified through the experience and expertise of its members (professional competence), and the diversity of its members, including race, gender, and cultural backgrounds and sensitivity to such issues as community attitudes, to promote respect for its advice and counsel in safeguarding the rights and welfare of human subjects.
- (c) The IRB shall be able to ascertain the acceptability of proposed research in terms of institutional commitments (including policies and resources) and regulations, applicable law, and standards of professional conduct and practice. The IRB shall therefore include persons knowledgeable in these areas. If an IRB regularly reviews research that involves a category of subjects that is vulnerable to coercion or undue influence, such as children, prisoners, individuals with impaired decision-making capacity, or economically or educationally disadvantaged persons, consideration shall be given to the inclusion of one or more individuals who are knowledgeable about and experienced in working with these categories of subjects.
- (d) Each IRB shall include at least one member whose primary concerns are in scientific areas and at least one member whose primary concerns are in nonscientific areas.
- (e) Each IRB shall include at least one member who is not otherwise affiliated with the institution and who is not part of the immediate family of a person who is affiliated with the institution.
- (f) No IRB may have a member participate in the IRB's initial or continuing review of any project in which the member has a conflicting interest, except to provide information requested by the IRB.
- (g) An IRB may, in its discretion, invite individuals with competence in special areas to assist in the review of issues that require expertise beyond or in addition to that available on the IRB. These individuals may not vote with the IRB.

B. Institutional Review Board at Peru State College structure in accordance with the requirements of 45 CFR 46.107:

IRB chairs will be appointed by the institutional President. The co-chairs will include a 1) faculty member with regulatory knowledge of human research and 45 CFR 46, and capable of maintaining records in accordance to §46.115, and 2) PSC administrator whose office will centralize the location for historical documentation. Members to the board will be chosen by the standing IRB co-chairs to ensure member diversity in accordance with the compositional requirements of 45 CFR 46.107. Members of the IRB will be appointed for 3-year terms.

Co-Chairs	Requirements fulfilled
Co-Chair #1: Faculty member	
Co-Chair #2: PSC administrator	
Members	Requirements fulfilled
Faculty #1	At least one member whose primary concerns are in nonscientific areas
Faculty #2	At least one member whose primary concerns are in scientific areas
Faculty #3	Diversity of expertise
Faculty #4	Diversity of expertise
Faculty or Staff #5	Diversity of expertise
Community member; non-scientist	Include at least one member who is not otherwise affiliated with the institution and who is not part of the immediate family of a person who is affiliated with the institution.

*Requirement fulfilled of at least 5 members with varied backgrounds; must include both genders; must include diverse cultural backgrounds and race

** Members will be appointed to serve on the board for 3 years