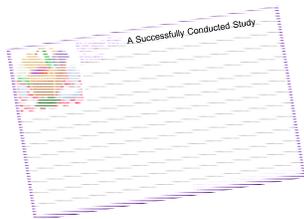


Protocol Development, Review, and Approval Process Module Part 1: Overview

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THE PROTOCOL



- Sponsor-initiated
- Investigator-initiated
- Combination

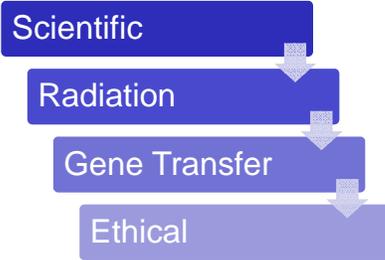


Basic Elements of a Protocol

- General information
- Background information
- Trial objectives and purpose
- Trial design
- Selection and withdrawal of subjects
 - Subject selection and accrual (inclusion/exclusion)
- Treatment of subjects
 - Investigational plan
- Assessment of efficacy and safety
 - Study assessments and procedures
 - Adverse events identification and reporting
- Statistical analysis
- Data handling and record keeping
- Supplements



Types of Protocol Reviews



Role of the IRB

- A committee charged with the review of human subject research
- Primary mandate is to protect and safeguard the rights and welfare of human subjects
 - Balance rights of individual subjects with development of knowledge to further society as a whole



Types of IRBs

- Local
- Commercial or independent
- Central



IRB Review

- Risks are minimized
- Risks are reasonable in relation to anticipated benefits
- Subject selection is fair
- Informed consent is obtained
- Protocol includes a plan for data and safety monitoring
- Privacy and confidentiality are protected
- Additional safeguards in place



Protocol Life Cycle

